Committee on Governance: Minutes

Meeting #19: February 15, 2024 Faculty Governance Office Faculty Governance Conference Room, SL 225 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Members Present: Mark Claypool (CS), Althea Danielski (HUA), George Heineman (Chair, CS), Stephen Kmiotek (ChE), Mark Richman (Secretary of the Faculty, AE), Diane Strong (President's appointment, WBS), Karen Troy (Secretary, BME), Art Heinricher (Interim Provost). Absent: Tanja Dominko (BBT),

- 1. The agenda was approved.
- 2. COG discussed the past week's Faculty meeting. Prof. Richman expressed gratitude to everyone for keeping the discussions focused, efficient, and effective. He also added that the process of bringing up complex motions such as the Collaborative Accelerated Masters Programs (CAMPs) for discussion (only) at one faculty meeting prior to a faculty vote at a subsequent meeting works very well. This process relaxes the discussion at the first meeting (when a vote is not pending) and allows committees to incorporate feedback from the faculty into the final motion. During the meeting, COG and COAP presented proposed modifications to the Faculty Handbook sections that describe details of the promotion dossier. The comments and discussion from the meeting will be shared with COAP.
- 3. The Academic Freedom Working Group and CTAF have a near-final draft of the new process to resolve allegations of academic freedom violations. The draft text was reviewed in detail by COG. A preliminary version of this process was presented at the November Faculty meeting earlier in the year. A final version that has been approved by CTAF and COG will be brought up for discussion and a vote at a meeting this spring.
- 4. The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM

Respectfully,

Karen Troy COG Secretary