

Committee on Governance  
Meeting 13, AY 2015-16  
Thursday, December 17, 2015  
Atwater Kent 218

In Attendance: Chrysanthe Demetry, Tanja Dominko, Daniel Dougherty, Glenn Gaudette, Mark Richman, Diane Strong, Suzanne Weekes (remotely), Bruce Bursten

Guests:

Brian Savilonis and Peter Hansen, representing COAP

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:09 pm., and the agenda was approved.
2. The committee welcomed Tanja Dominko to its ranks. Professor Dominko was elected to the committee to fill the place opened by the resignation of John McNeil.
3. The committee, together with Professors Savilonis and Hansen, discussed the logistics of communicating the report of the Task Force on Promotion to the WPI community. Community reaction to the report will be an essential component of the deliberations of the Task Force recommendations by COG and COAP. It was therefore decided that the Report would be released without initial commentary on its substance by either COG or COAP.

Open meetings for discussion of the report will be planned for C term.

In addition, people will be encouraged to submit comments to COG and COAP via email.

Professor Dougherty will be the contact point for email comments from the community. COAP will be responsible for arranging any open meetings.

The consensus was that, at this point in the collaboration between COG and COAP on the promotions issue, COG would focus primarily on the elements of the Task Force recommendations related to governance procedures. These include the timing of the annual COAP election and any changes in the membership structure of COAP.

4. Minutes for the 11th meeting, on December 3, 2015, were approved with minor corrections. Minutes for the 12th meeting, on December 10, 2015, were approved with minor corrections.
5. Professor Demetry reported that Professor John Bergendahl accepted COG's appointment to the Educational Development Council, beginning in C-term 2016. His term will end on June 30, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Dan Dougherty  
Secretary pro tem