

The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 4th meeting of the 2015-2016 academic year on September 21, 2015 in the Faculty Governance Conference Room (SL 225).

Present: Chrys Demetry (ME); Dan Dougherty (CS); John McNeill (ECE); Mark Richman (ME, Sec. of Fac.); Diane Strong (Bus)

Absent: Bruce Bursten (Provost); Glenn Gaudette (BME, Sec); Suzanne Weekes (MA)

1. Prof. McNeill called the meeting to order at 2:05pm. The agenda was approved as distributed.
2. Consideration of the minutes of the 3rd (Sept. 14) meeting was deferred until COG's next meeting.
3. The Committee on Information Technology Policy (CITP) is a permanent subcommittee of COG. Prof. McNeill presented a draft proposal from CITP to better describe CITP's membership, role, and governance authority. The draft broadens CITP's scope of concerns from simply "faculty usage" of IT facilities to all IT policies and procedures that affect WPI's academic and research mission. The language in the draft also makes clear that CITP is authorized on its own to propose IT-related policies for COG (and subsequent Faculty-) consideration, and clarifies that members of CITP are permitted to serve successive terms.

After a full discussion, COG modified CITP's proposal only slightly. Prof. Dougherty will convey COG's modifications to Prof. Shue (Chair, CITP).

4. The meeting adjourned at 2:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Richman
Acting Secretary, COG