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COG 15th meeting

Committee on Governance, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 15th meeting of the 2012-2013 academic year on January 17, 2013 in the Faculty Governance Conference Room (SL 225).

Present: Michael Gennert (Chair), Kristen Billiar (Secretary), Suzanne Weekes, Bogdan Vernescu, Terri Camesano, Elke Rundensteiner
Absent: John Sullivan, Eric Overström

1. Prof. Gennert called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.
2. The minutes from the January 10, 2013 COG meeting were discussed, amended, and approved.
3. Spring Faculty Committee Elections were discussed. The Secretary of Faculty will conduct CTAF and COG elections in mid C-term, then COG will conduct elections for the other standing committees by the end of C-term. As a reminder, per the Faculty Handbook (p. 17 and Appendix C), for CTAF and COG, nominating ballots are sent to all Faculty, then election ballots are created based on the nominations and sent to all Faculty (i.e., it is a two-stage process). For the remainder of the standing committees, Faculty nominated (by self or others) are included on election ballots sent to all Faculty (i.e., it is a single-stage process).
4. Prof. Gennert attended a meeting of the Task Force for Recruiting & Retaining Women at WPI. He discussed the goals of the Task Force with COG. COG unanimously expressed support for the Task Force in obtaining data on recruiting & retaining women.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Billiar, Ph.D.
Secretary of COG