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COG 12th meeting

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The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 12th meeting of the 2012-2013 academic year on December 6, 2012 in the Chairman’s Room, Campus Center.

Present: Michael Gennert (Chair), Kristen Billiar (Secretary), John Sullivan, Suzanne Weekes, Bogdan Vernescu, Terri Camesano, Eric Overstrom and Elke Rundensteiner
Guests: Mike Manning (Associate Provost for Research, ad interim), Tracy Hassett (VP of Human Resources), David Grossi from (Attorney and Partner, Bowditch & Dewey)

1. Prof. Gennert called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.
2. Tracy Hassett introduced Mr. Grossi to discuss the draft Policy on Research Misconduct that his firm assembled based on best practices. This is a continuation of the discussion held in the 10th COG meeting (11/15/12). This policy, as currently written, would apply to any person who was employed by, was agent of, or was affiliated by agreement with WPI. Discussion ensued as to whether a subset of the policies should apply only to tenured and tenure track faculty and to what aspects of the Faculty Handbook should be revised based on new misconduct policies and procedures.
3. The meeting adjourned at 11:57 am.

Respectfully submitted,
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