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26th meeting of the 2011-2012 AY

Committee on Governance, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 26th meeting of the 2011-2012 academic year on April 10th, 2012 in the Faculty Governance Conference Room (SL 225).

Present: Allen Hoffman, Elke Rundensteiner, John Sullivan, Bogdan Vernescu, Suzanne Weekes

1. Prof. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 1:08 pm.

2. The minutes of the 25th meeting of COG were approved.

3. The committee discussed the ballots for faculty governance committees. Prof. Sullivan will send out an email to the faculty requesting that faculty consider serving on a governance committee and letting COG know of their interest.

4. Prof. Hoffman gave his draft of questions for the faculty evaluations of Dean K. Oates, Dean S. Gucieri, Dean M. Rice, VP K. Tichenor, and Provost Overstrom. He has already met with K. Tichenor to discuss the questions on her evaluation. Prof. Hoffman will also look for feedback from the others on the scope of the questions being asked on their evaluations. Prof. Robert Kinicki will put the evaluations up on Survey Monkey so that faculty may complete them online as was done successfully last year. The goal is that evaluations of this year's group of administrators will be completed by the end of D term. COG will meet with the administrators reviewed by the end of May.

5. During the summer, Prof. Sullivan will send an email to the faculty to encourage them to consider serving on the Trustees committees as part of the new shared governance effort. This email will describe the 5 trustees committees, and will outline the information that faculty should provide to COG so that COG may consider putting the faculty member's name forward to the Trustees.

The meeting of the Committee on Governance was adjourned at 1:53 pm.

The next meeting of the committee will be on Tuesday 17th April, 2012 at 1:00pm in SL 225.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary of COG