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23rd meeting of the 2009-2010 AY

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The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 23rd meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year on Monday, March 29, 2010 in Washburn Room 220.

Present: H. Vassallo (Chair), J. Blandino, K. Fisler, A. Hoffman, Provost J. Orr, M. Richman

1. Prof. Vassallo called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

2. COG discussed the results of the March 25, 2010 Faculty meeting where the COG motion to eliminate the 3/5 year rule and replace it with an institutional goal that 2/3 of all credit hours be taught by tenured/tenure track (TTT) faculty received a majority vote (54% to 46%) but not the required 2/3 majority vote to change the Faculty Constitution. Since it was announced at the Faculty meeting that individual faculty would be filing individual motions regarding the Non tenure Track (NTT) faculty issues, COG decided not to proceed further with other motions regarding NTT faculty issues.

3. There was discussion regarding whether to proceed with the motion to eliminate the rank of Instructor from the TTT ranks listed in the Faculty Constitution. A decision on this matter was deferred until the next meeting.

4. COG examined a motion from CTAF dated March 8, 2010 “To Accommodate Deans in the Tenure Process”. COG was in favor of CTAF proceeding with the motion at the April 15th Faculty meeting.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen H. Hoffman, Secretary