2nd meeting of the 2009-2010 AY

Committee on Governance, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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The Committee on Governance (COG) held its 2nd meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 in the Morgan Room of the Campus Center.


1. Prof. Vassallo called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM and repeated her request that committee members send her potential agenda items for the upcoming year.
2. Professor Vassallo noted that there are still unfilled committee positions within the Faculty Governance system to which faculty need to be appointed. A partial list includes openings on the Campus Hearing Board and the University Council.
3. The majority of the meeting was devoted to a draft of a proposal developed by a COG subcommittee regarding a set of guidelines and procedures that could be applied to the titles, appointments and evaluation, etc. of non-tenure track faculty. Provost Orr distributed a memo dated 9-7-09 regarding his views of the various issues that need to be resolved. There was wide ranging discussion including potential changes to the Faculty Handbook.
4. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary