

Governance Council (GOV)

Eric Lifshin, Past Chair

Susanna Fessler, Current Chair

GOV Membership

Ex Officio

Susanna Fessler, Senate Vice Chair (East Asian Studies)

Tom Bessette, Senate Secretary (ITS)

Nicholas Fahrenkopf, GSO President's Designee
Student Assoc. Senate Chair, Tremayne Price

Teaching Faculty

Liang Chu, SPH

Reed Hoyt, Music

John Pipkin, Geography & Planning

John Schmidt, Biology

Laura Schultz, CNSE

Janet Sussman, Theater

Professional Faculty

Nan Carroll, Ctr. For Legsltv. Dev.

Jane Domaracki, Ed. & Cnslng Psych.

Candace Merbler, Univ. Libraries

Daniel D. White, CNSE

Staff Support

Gail Cameron, President's Office

GOV Charge

- Conduct and oversee all University-wide faculty elections
- Initiate proposed amendments to the Faculty Bylaws and referendums from the faculty
- Designate faculty representatives on committees and task forces outside of governance bodies
- Develop and maintain updates to Senate Handbook

GOV Committees

Committee on Assessment of Governance & Consultation:

- Evaluates effectiveness of governance

Committee on Liaison & Elections:

- Conduct, oversee, and report on elections
- Disseminates information about University Governance
- Conducts Senate forums

Committee on Council Nominations:

- Makes recommendations of council members and standing committees

Committee on Mediation:

- Mediates disputes

GOV Activities

2009-2010

- Participated on CERS Ad Hoc Committee
- Developed recommendations for the Strategic Planning Committee
- Developed recommendations for Gen Ed Task Force

2010-2011

- Complete Senate Handbook
- Develop process for evaluation of administrators & administrative services
- Evaluation of effectiveness of governance using Middle States Report