

2015 - 2016 Governance Review: Council Recap

November 2015

Overview



- Stuff that...
 - Discover Governance has to do
 - Council has to do
 - Committees of Council & Chairs have to do
 - Everyone has to do
- Next Steps

Discover Governance



- Meeting agendas will be made publicly available 48 hours in advance of a meeting
- DG will facilitate mock committee meetings at Gov Camp
- Committee Chairs will complete exit interview with DG before their term ends
- An introductory package will be sent to Councilors shortly after elections conclude

Council



- Submit a report once a year before the first Winter Council meeting
- The first meeting of Council shall take place in early April, as opposed to late April
- Council will note who will be impacted by any motion presented to Council, and the consultative process taken

Committees & Chairs



- Present written reports to Council
- Complete exit interviews with DG
- Clarify removal of members from Council committees and guest speaking turns (CAC)
- Provide gift cards for committee Chairs after completing mid-term evaluations and transition with their Chair successor(CAC)

Committees & Chairs cont'd



- Didn't find consensus for the VPOF to serve as ex-officio chair of Finance
- Use the impeachment policy for Executives and Bog Rep as a template for a removal policy
- SU Staff shall sit on particular Council committees as resource members where there is overlap in roles

Everyone



- Effort will be taken to increase the diversity of candidates who will run for a Council position and ensure all voices are heard; Council will currently not benefit from representational seats for specific interest groups
- Currently, a two year term system is not beneficial to Council, though there is an issue with member retainment over the years

Next Steps



- Looking at ESS's "slate" system for students on Co-op/practicum
- Faculty Association relationship with SU;
 Councilor engagement with constituents