
GOVERNANCE REVIEW COUNCIL

Minutes

May 22, 2026

10:00am – 11:30am

Location: Zoom Meeting

Membership: Enrique Amador Mendieta, Ryan Byrne, Dave King, Joanna Pinckney, Wendy St. John

Members Absent: Emy Bagtas-Carmona, Farhan Khaliq, Melanie Palomino

Action Items

1. Approved agenda (Byrne/Pinckney, unanimously approved)
2. Approved minutes from 5/11/26 (Pinckney/Byrne, St. John abstained)
3. Approve PGS Evaluation (2025-2026) (deferred to email)
4. Approve GRC Reflection (2025-2026) (deferred to email)

Discussion Items

1. Chair report
 - a. Dave King reported on his student outreach efforts, including:
 - i. Collaborating with Brier Welch on outreach to learning communities and creating a COM hour event to bring about awareness for PGS committee opportunities,
 - ii. Following up with incoming ASCOM President Vlad Verbitschi & advisor to ASCOM Sadika Suleiman Harris on the student appointment process to PGS committees,
 - iii. Coordinating announcements about PGS opportunities in the Summer ENGL C1001 and COUN 117 courses.
 - b. Dave reported updates to the PGS committee interest web form process. Submitted applications will now go to both committee chairs and the constituency group who would appoint the potential member. The link to the form has also been made more prominent on the PGS homepage at gov.marin.edu.
2. PLC/GRC Fall 2026 FLEX session
 - a. Dave reported on collaborating with Alyssa Graff on a general membership and chair training FLEX session in the Fall, intended for PGS Committee chairs, appointed committee members, and prospective PGS members.
 - b. Content during the FLEX session would include an overview of COM's organizational structure and PGS, committee roles, best practices, activities/scenarios, PGS revision work for the year (e.g. revising charges).

- c. The committee reviewed the draft FLEX week calendar and identified a conflict between the proposed training and another FLEX session that Wendy St. John will be facilitating. Dave will work with Alyssa to try to rearrange the scheduling to accommodate the full GRC membership.
 - d. The committee discussed how it can support the FLEX training and how it may be helpful to reach out to the constituency group leadership to support the training.
3. PGS committee reflections and PGS evaluation from 2025-2026
- a. The committee reviewed and discussed the results of the PGS reflection process, key takeaways from the reflections, the need to distinguish between committee-wide reflections and individual reflections, and last year's PGS Evaluation.
 - b. GRC identified a few points to account for in revisions to the PGS Plan, including a process for committee chair changes and delineating GRC's role in adjudicating disagreements on committees.
 - c. GRC determined an outline structure for this year's report, drafted an outline, and reached consensus on including full committee reflections in the report but not individual reflections to protect individuals' privacy.
 - d. GRC reached consensus that Dave would draft a report to be distributed, discussed, and acted upon via email next week.
4. GRC reflection
- a. The committee drafted its reflection using the PGS Committee Reflection document.
 - b. There was consensus [this document](#) will be distributed via email for comment and action for approval.
5. Preparing for Fall 2026
- a. The committee determined that 1.5-hour meetings would be beneficial in the fall given the GRC's workload and the upcoming revisions needed for the PGS Plan.
 - b. Dave encouraged GRC members to consider serving as chair or co-chair for the 2026-2027 year. He offered to continue as chair or co-chair if needed, but reminded the committee that, much to his chagrin and disappointment, he will be out on sabbatical for the fall semester.

Adjournment: 11:31