

Governance Committee Report

March 4, 2025

1. Governance Documents Review
 - a. Review of Lehman [Governance Documents](#).
 - b. Discussion of Senate Composition
 - i. Faculty At Large Seats Decreasing as Department Reps Have Increased
 - ii. Should More Seats Be Added?

2. Brightspace Letter Grade Column Default
Governance Committee Asked Library, Technology, and Telecommunications To Address The Following:
 - a. Brightspace uses a default letter-grade column in the grade book. Is there any way that this default can be turned off? Instructors can then "choose" to make it visible.
 - b. If the default cannot be turned off, is there another option to select as a default in lieu of the letter grades? Raw score or percentages, perhaps?
 - c. If the default can be changed, could the faculty be surveyed on what the default should be?
 - d. Can we educate faculty on how to change or disable the default?

3. Solicitation for Nominations To Fill Faculty Vacancies On Standing Senate Committees begins March 9th.

4. Next Governance Committee Meeting, Monday March 16th on Zoom.