October 6, 2022 PPBC Meeting

In attendance:
Council members: Brian Hutchinson (Chair, Computer Science), Tim Kowalczyk (AMSEC), Robert Mitchell (Geology), Ying Bao (Chemistry), Amy Anderson (Math), Qiang Hao (SMATE), Dietmar Schwarz (Biology), Ken Rines (Physics), Xicheng Jiang (Engineering)
College Representatives: Janelle Leger, Jackie Caplan-Auerbach

Discussion items:

1. Nomination of new chair
   - Brian Hutchinson nominated as chair for fall, approved unanimously
   - Chair appointment is anticipated to rotate quarterly

2. Items for PPBC for the coming year
   - Approval of CSE course modality policy
   - Revisit strategic plan for the college
   - Anticipated COPEP revisions
     - AMSEC (potential)
     - Physics (potential)
     - College Curriculum Committee chair appointment procedure in COPEP

3. Committee appointments
   - Graduate council representative, permanent replacement for Bob Mitchell
     - Expedited call for candidates, decision at next PPBC meeting
   - ACC temporary replacement for Doug Clark
     - Betsy Raymond’s nomination was unanimously approved

4. Inform departments about new procedure for publishing changes to COPEP
   - Resend updates to policy on publishing COPEP changes to departments

5. Update on decision packages
   - Abstracts are due in 2nd half of October
   - Role of PPBC: Provide perspective to inform decision process
6. Course modality discussion
   - Jackie Caplan-Auerbach provided a general introduction and update on the issue surrounding the future approval of classes with online modalities.
     - Every degree program is still approved to be offered as a distance learning degree (i.e., 50% of the courses/credits taken online)
     - Online credits/courses not monitored
     - CSE needs to establish policies on modality of teaching
     - ACC wants to know which programs want to be offered as distance learning degrees by the spring quarter 2023
     - Hybrid courses with face-to-face classes over 25% count as face-to-face courses in CSE
   - Jackie Caplan-Auerbach will send materials/draft policy on PPBC to facilitate work on/approve policy

7. Attendance by dean and associate
   - Council welcomes the routine attendance by the CSE dean and associate dean