



## Apr 14, 2026 | 📅 CoSE Chairs & Directors Mtg

Attendees: Mary Lou Dunzik-Gougar Bruce Savage Logan McDougall Chad Pope  
Dustin McNulty Steve Chiu April Robinson Patrick Rault Rene Rodriguez Steve Chiu  
Anish Sebastian Andy Holland Mikel Mecham Shannon Kobs Evan Johnson  
Jim Widmann

1. CPI Request Due - Rene reminded Chairs to get their requests in ASAP, and requirements were briefly discussed. Jim's request for an exception to Junior level standing in CoSE was denied, and he was told this was an institutional decision.
  - a. CPI will be sticking with a 58+ credit requirement
    - i. Thank you to the Departments that have turned their request in:
      1. Biosciences
      2. Chemistry
      3. All Engineering
      4. Computer Science
      5. Geosciences
2. Summer Adjunct Request Due - Rene reminded Chairs to get their requests in ASAP.
  - a. Thank you to the Departments that have turned their request in:
    - i. Biosciences
    - ii. Chemistry
    - iii. Geosciences
    - iv. Physics
    - v. Mechanical Engineering
3. Grad Council updates- Send any thoughts regarding the documents below to Rene so he can bring ideas to Grad Council.
  - a.  Continuing Registration for Graduate Students.pdf -
  - b.  BAS non-acceptance policy.pdf
4. Discussion about New ISUPP 4020 - Jim-Policy is up for review, and the two key changes that affect faculty are below.
  - a. Early Tenure- Chairs and Jim agree that awarding tenure after three years of service would need to be a truly exceptional case in CoSE.
    - i. The Third-Year review can lead to an early tenure consideration. However, the request for consideration can be denied by the Chair and Dean.
  - b. College policy will need to be updated next year, and the Executive Committee will need to weigh in on what constitutes an "Exceptional" case.

- c. Committee of the Whole - Not in the current new policy under review. Is being considered for next year's revision of ISUPP 4020.
  - i. Being considered due to poor judgment in forming committees across campus, which puts the institution on shaky legal footing.
  - ii. Discussion ensued, noting difficulties with the approach for both large and small departments.
  - iii. Jim will bring feedback back to Dean's council.
- 5. Discussion about workload for various mentorship courses and what constitutes "oversize" mentoring - Jim
  - a. Independent study/reading courses are generally not counted toward teaching loads across the college and university.
  - b. Departments generally expect a minimum level of research student mentorship for tenure-track faculty members as part of their allotted research workload.
  - c. Credit above the minimum amount varies per department.
- 6. Corny Joke Recording @3:30- Presley filmed each of the Chairs telling their best (or worst!) joke.