

Committee of the Whole

Guiding Principles

Fall 2016

In an effort to increase institutional effectiveness, the Institutional Strategic Planning Council (ISPC) has established guiding principles to assist the institution in determining when and if an item should be taken to the Committee of the Whole (COTW). The ISPC recognizes that it is not possible to plan for every contingency; therefore, it will seek to follow the *spirit of the guiding principles*, as new situations arise.

- 1) Items which align with topics that require Board of Trustee (BOT) approval will be voting items.
- 2) Other items that have impact to the college at large will be agendized as information items.
- 3) Other items may be agendized as determined by a majority vote of the ISPC.
- 4) To encourage participation, confidential voting will be implemented whenever possible.
- 5) To increase understanding of institution-wide issues, brief summary descriptions that include the shared governance approval history of the item, and the name of a contact person associated with the item, will accompany agenda items whenever possible.