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To the Stevens Community:

In pursuit of one of our Strategic Plan’s five key priorities, “Excellence in All We Do,” I am pleased to announce the formation of a committee I have charged with the task of developing a set of guidelines for the review and continuous improvement of academic leadership and academic units.

The committee will develop two sets of guidelines, one for the review of academic leadership (department directors, deans and provost-level), and a second set of guidelines for the review and continuous improvement of academic departments and schools. Periodic review of both academic leadership and units can contribute significantly to continuous improvement across a variety of metrics where we strive for excellence in education, research, and administration.

I am most grateful to the members of the committee who have accepted this charge:

- Dr. Edward Stohr, Howe School of Technology Management, Chair
- Dr. Anthony Barrese, School of Systems and Enterprises
- Dr. Yi Guo, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Dr. George Kamberov, Department of Computer Science
- Dr. Svetlana Malinovskaya, Department of Physics and Engineering Physics
- Dr. Svetlana Sukhishvili, Department of Chemistry, Chemical Biology and Biomedical Engineering

The committee will conduct its work during the next few months and deliver its final set of recommendations at the end of the spring semester.

The guidelines they develop will be an important tool in assessing our progress and identifying areas of improvement as we make progress toward achieving the ambitious goals articulated in our Strategic Plan.

Per aspera ad astra,

Nariman Farvardin
President