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To the Stevens Community,

Early in the spring semester, I charged a committee of faculty, nominated by the Faculty Senate, with the task of developing a set of guidelines for the review and continuous improvement of academic leadership and academic units.

As requested, the committee has successfully completed its charge and last month submitted to me 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.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the committee for its diligence, thoughtfulness and the thorough approach with which they completed this task.

Please join me in thanking the committee members for their efforts on this important assignment:

- Edward Stohr, Committee Chair, Howe School of Technology Management
- Anthony Barrese, School of Systems and Enterprises
- Yi Guo, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering;
- George Kamberov, Department of Computer Science
- Svetlana Malinovskaya, Department of Physics and Engineering Physics
- James McClellan III, College of Arts and Letters
- Svetlana Sukhishvili, Department of Chemistry, Chemical Biology and Biomedical Engineering

In early September when the majority of our colleagues are back, we will post the committee's final products on the Stevens web site for review by the community and we will begin the implementation of the Committee's recommendations. I look forward to sharing more information with you at that time.

Per aspera ad astra,

Nariman Farvardin
President