The purpose of the Mines Project Governance Committee is to provide executive leadership and oversight of the project efforts at Mines.

Clayton started the meeting by referring to the CCIT Prioritization report that was included with the agenda. He asked for the committee’s thoughts on how they see the process of prioritizing projects working. The items mentioned were breaking the projects into three groups, those that have to be done, those that are flexible and those in the middle. For those in the middle, having a topic or initiative that it supports would be good information to help make the decision. Vicki also referred to “critical needs” as another grouping, which is similar to one in the capital process.

The discussion flowed into the new process. The focus was the “blue box” or the analysis of requests, where items like what resources (money and people) are needed for the projects and the context of the project and how it relates to Management’s initiatives. This led to having the idea of having the requests related to the seven areas of Mines at 150 and the divisional priorities. There was some discussion around how the analysis role would be staffed, as this was a significant effort as envisioned, compared to what is done now.

For the last agenda item, Clayton proposed the use of TeamDynamix for the collaboration space for the committee. He noted that he sees the committee being active in the tool as part of their responsibilities for the committee, so it seemed logical to use it to share PGC documents. The committee agreed to try it for a period of time and see how it worked.

Clayton will get instructions out for the committee members on how to access and use the workspace for the committee. The outstanding projects needing prioritization will be grouped, as best as possible, as discussed today and brought back to the committee for further review at the next meeting.