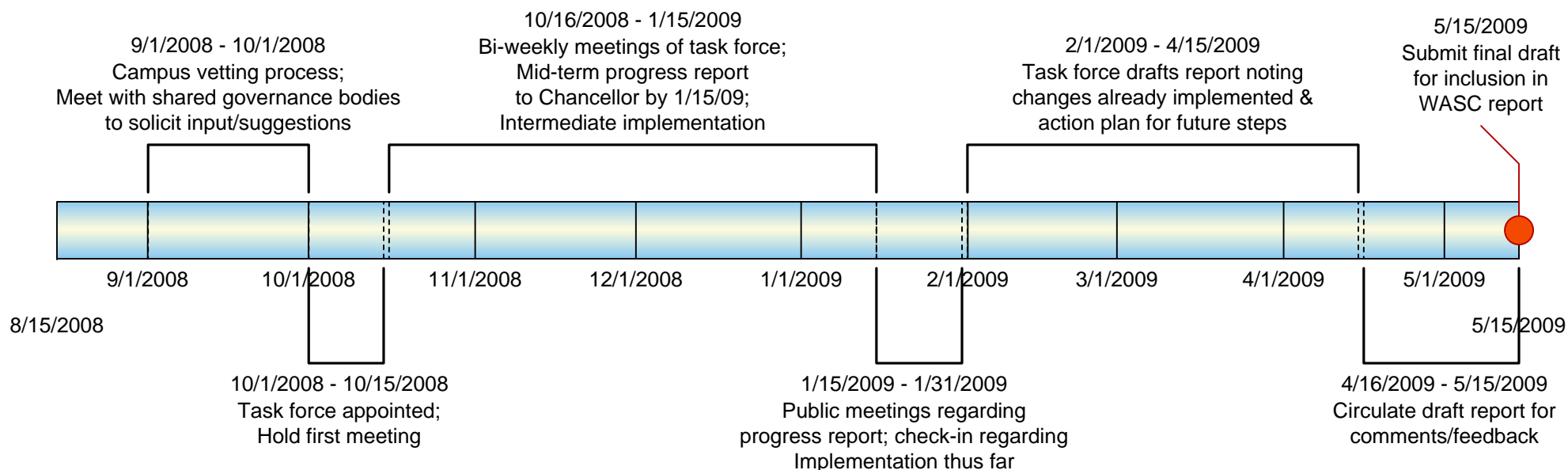


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Proposed Timeline for
Response to WASC Report

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Specific Actions Items:

- Develop systematic method for codification, review/update & dissemination of University policies
- Describe administrative and governance structures/responsibilities in the faculty handbook
- Identify viable models of shared governance from relevant peer institutions
- Conduct document analysis to assess current flow chart for curriculum review, approval & modifications

Governance structures & responsibilities that need to be formally resolved & codified per WASC:

1. Purview over curricular review and approval moved to University Congress "to ensure appropriate university-wide input and to avoid redundancy in courses;"
2. The college Deans' roles be clarified so that there is a clearer correlation between their responsibilities and their authority in both academic and fiscal matters;
3. The shared governance process be clarified in order to articulate the "difference between consultation with faculty to inform academic and administrative decisions compared to the [administration's] authority to make final decisions;" and
4. The University administration play an appropriate role in ensuring that the governance structure, however delineated, supports effective decision-making.