



HMS/HSDM Faculty Council

Faculty Council Minutes
March 10, 2021

Present: Abrams, Adelman, Becker, Blackwell, Caradonna, Chang, Chen, D'Amico, Daley, Da Silva, De Girolami, del Carmen, DePace, Desrosiers, Ferran, Giannobile, Goldstein, Howley, Klig, Lee, Livingstone, Lovejoy, Molina, Mullen, Murray, Nayak, Okereke, Park, Patel, Pian-Smith, Rexrode, Richardson, Rodriguez, Silver, Solomon, Stone, Subramanian, Taqueti, Wagers, Weinstock

Guests: Drs. Bates, Dienstag, Golan, Hundert, Lensch, Muto, Reede, Podolsky, Westlund; Mss. DeCoste and Thomas; Mr. Park

Staff: Mss. Hecht, Ryan, Williams.

This Faculty Council meeting was held virtually, via Zoom, due the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr. Kathy Rexrode called the meeting to order at 4:02. Dr. Rexrode then asked for and received acceptance of the minutes from the February 10, 2021 meeting, as presented.

Dr. Rexrode called on vice chair Marcela del Carmen, MD to announce the Faculty Council vice chair elect. Dr. del Carmen announced that the Council voted Rose Molina, MD as next year's Faculty Council vice chair. Dr. Molina is an assistant professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Biology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

Dr. Rexrode congratulated Dr. Molina and reviewed the meeting agenda.

Dr. Rexrode introduced Lisa Thomas, associate director for special projects in the Provost office, Scott Podolsky, Professor of Global Health and Social Medicine and Director of the Center for the History of Medicine, Countway Medical Library and HMS HST student, Jin Park, who joined the Faculty Council as representatives from the University Committee to Articulate Principles on Renaming. This committee, created by President Bacow in fall 2020, is charged with the articulation of general principles to help determine when the names of such historical figures should or should not continue to be associated with Harvard buildings, spaces, professorships, programs, or other named objects. Dr. Podolsky led a discussion with the Council.

Next, Dr. Rexrode called upon associate dean for Faculty Affairs, Dr. Carol Bates, to discuss significant supporting activity (SSA) and advancement of diversity, equity & inclusion (SSI). The Council discussed the draft shared and provided feedback to Dean Bates for her consideration.

Dean Rexrode then called upon Dean for Clinical and Academic Affairs, Anne Becker, to present the proposed HMS Professorial-Rank only modified title. The Council discussed the proposal, asked clarifying questions and provided feedback.

Dr. Rexrode adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:37 pm. Dean Daley thanked the Council and Dean Becker and the Office of Faculty Affairs for their efforts.