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**ETCD Council Conference Call
MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

12 p.m. PT/1 p.m. MT/2 p.m. CT/3 p.m. ET

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In Attendance

Amy Huebschmann, MD (chair)
Jamie Bodenlos, PhD
Courtney P. Bonner, PhD
Vicki DiLillo, PhD
Andrea Kozak, PhD
Morgan Lee, PhD, MPH
Valerie Myers, PhD

Karen Oliver, PhD
Lori Pbert, PhD
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD
Barbara Stetson, PhD
Lindsay Bullock (staff)
Andrew Schmidt (staff)

Welcome and Minutes

The November 2019 ETCD Council call minutes were approved as written.

2020 Achievement Award Reviews

Dr. Huebschmann thanked the council members for reviewing this year's nominations and for providing their recommendations.

Due to another year of strong competition for the Distinguished Mentor Award, Dr. Huebschmann asked the reviewers for that award to consider ideas for distinguishing between qualified nominees in future years. Several reviewers suggested that nominations could include lists of mentees and examples of the nominee's commitment to SBM. The council will discuss potential changes to the nomination materials and requirements on a future call.

In addition to their scores, Dr. Huebschmann asked the reviewers for the student awards and Outstanding Dissertation Award and to provide a brief summary of why the recommended winners for each were chosen.

Next steps:

- Dr. Huebschmann will compile the council's summary comments and share its recommendations with the Awards Committee.

Diversity Institute for Emerging Leaders Updates

Dr. Bonner reported that 50 eligible applications were received and are currently being reviewed by the Diversity Institute steering committee.

Dr. Bonner added that the institute was originally proposed with 25 participant slots, with institute fellows being divided into five groups of five led by a volunteer SBM member for the continuing mentorship aspect of the institute. As a result of the overwhelming number of applicants, the steering committee is considering accepting five additional participants if an additional mentor can be identified and confirmed before reviews are completed, for a total of 30 participants in six mentorship groups.

Other Business

Ms. Bullock informed the council that the Awards Committee is considering sunsetting some of SBM's achievement awards, particularly those with few or no nominations. Despite the changes that ETCD recommended to the application materials and the addition of a \$1,000 prize, the Excellence in Behavioral Medicine Training Program Award received no nominations for 2020, and Ms. Bullock asked the council members whether they would recommend that the award continue to be offered in future years.

Dr. Myers proposed that the award could be reframed to be for any program/lab/institution with a behavioral medicine component rather than exclusively training programs. Dr. Oliver asked whether the award could be also be offered to organizations with a "major impact on the field of behavioral medicine," or whether a new award could be developed for organizations instead of training programs.

Ms. Bullock noted that other awards currently offered by SBM (such as the Research to Practice Award) could also be made available to groups or organizations in lieu of maintaining the Training Program award or creating a new award for organizations.

Next steps:

- The Awards Committee will meet in January, and Ms. Bullock and Dr. Huebschmann will forward any suggestions from the ETCD Council to the committee before final recommendations for sunsetting awards are made to the SBM Board in spring.

Next Meeting

January 14th, 2019, 2:30 p.m. EDT