ETCD Council Conference Call
MINUTES
Tuesday, February 8, 2022
11:00 a.m. PT/12:00 p.m. MT/1:00 p.m. CT/2:00 p.m. ET
https://zoom.us/j/99250230491

In Attendance
Valerie Myers, PhD (chair)
Courtney P. Bonner, PhD
Vicki DiLillo, PhD
Andrea Kozak, PhD
Morgan Lee, PhD, MPH
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD
Carina Nigg, MSc (guest)
Lindsay Bullock, CAE (staff)
Andrew Schmidt (staff)

Regrets
Erika Montanaro, PhD

Welcome and Minutes
The January 2022 ETCD Council call minutes were approved as written.

Early-Career Mentoring Program Update
Ms. Nigg reported that invitations had been sent to program participants and mentors for the wrap-up session scheduled during the 2022 Annual Meeting. Participants were asked to RSVP, with the number of confirmed attendees determining the eventual format of the session.

Diversity Institute Update
Tabled until the next ETCD Council call.

2022 Annual Meeting Poster Mentoring Program
Dr. Myers asked the council to review the poster mentor invite email template and prospect spreadsheet originally shared during the January ETCD call, and select 5-10 members each to contact during the following week. Some potential mentors may be invited to participate in this year’s Meet the Fellows session first, however Dr. Myers and Dr. Lee noted they would indicate those members on the shared spreadsheet after the call to avoid duplicate asks.
Diversifying Course Syllabi Template
Tabled until the next ETCD Council call.

SBM Organizational Restructuring
Dr. Myers introduced a proposed organizational chart for SBM that was approved by the Board of Directors near the end of 2021 and would be presented to the membership as part of a vote on bylaws changes before the 2022 Annual Meeting. While current ETCD programs would be spread among multiple councils in the new structure, Dr. Myers emphasized that no programs were being cut and encouraged all council members to consider joining one of the new groups to continue contributing to the SBM initiatives that interest them most.

Ms. Bullock noted that the restructuring process arose as a direct result of the new strategic framework adopted by SBM in 2021, with an Organizational Structure Working Group convened to review SBM’s existing structure, compare the structures of a number of peer organizations, and develop a new organizational chart to better align with SBM’s strategic priorities and evolving member needs. Dr. Myers added that as the new structure is shared with the full membership, council members would be welcome to reach out to her and SBM staff with any questions or their preferences for remaining involved.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, March 8; 2 p.m. ET