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**ETCD Council Conference Call  
MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

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)  
Vicki DiLillo, PhD  
Andrea Kozak, PhD  
Morgan Lee, PhD, MPH  
Erika Montanaro, PhD  
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin  
Carina Nigg, MSc (guest)  
Andrew Schmidt (staff)

**Regrets**

Courtney P. Bonner, PhD

**Welcome and Minutes**

The May 2021 ETCD Council call minutes were approved as written.

Dr. Myers welcomed Dr. Erika Montanaro as a new ETCD Council member.

**Early-Career Mentoring Program Update**

Ms. Nigg reported that the Early Career Mentoring Program continues apace, with mentees meeting regularly in their peer groups and with their expert mentors.

The Student SIG is considering whether to open applications for a new cohort in 2022, or spend a year retooling the program and potentially expanding it to include additional audiences, such as assistant professors, in 2023. In addition, the SIG is looking at options for a wrap-up session for the 2021-22 program during the 2022 Annual Meeting, however some SIG members have expressed concerns about early-career members' ability to travel. Dr. Myers suggested including a question about interest and ability to attend the Annual Meeting on the program evaluation that the Student SIG was already planning to circulate.

Ms. Nigg inquired about the format for capstone receptions held by the Leadership Institute in previous years; Mr. Schmidt clarified that Leadership Institute posters are not submitted as traditional abstracts but are representative of Institute fellows' leadership projects for the year and only presented during the reception. The Early-Career Mentoring Program could likewise propose a session

featuring mentee posters that wouldn't need to be submitted individually through the abstract system.

### **2022 Annual Meeting Session Proposals**

Dr. Myers informed the council that abstracts for the 2022 Annual Meeting would be opening later in the month and would be due in early-September.

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin expressed an interest in developing a new ethics session building upon the successful session presented during the 2021 Annual Meeting. Dr. Kozak outlined a panel discussion that she and Dr. DiLillo put together on transitioning from assistant to associate professor that was not accepted for the 2019 Annual Meeting but could be resubmitted.

Dr. Myers shared an overview of the other sessions typically planned by the council, including Meet the Fellows, grant writing workshops, and panels on internships and careers in industry, as well as the poster mentoring program. Council members were encouraged to begin thinking about which traditional ETCD sessions they'd be interested in contributing to or new sessions they'd be interested in proposing for 2022. The council will have an opportunity to discuss proposals in further detail during its August meeting, however members were invited to share any tentative session titles and topics with Dr. Myers as soon as possible for inclusion in SBM's R13 grant application.

### **Fall ETCD Corner Outlook Article**

Dr. Myers thanked Ms. Nigg for authoring the ETCD Corner article for the summer 2021 issue of the *Outlook*. The call for articles for the fall 2021 issue will be officially released near the end of July with a submission deadline in late-August, and Dr. Myers invited any council members who might be interested in drafting a piece for that issue to reach out via email before the next council meeting.

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, August 10; 2 p.m. ET