

**Time:** 4:00 – 5:00 pm

**Location:** Webex

Voting Members Present: Drs. Anton Alerte, Linda Barry, Jenna Bartley, Michael Grey, Jaclyn Olsen-Jaeger, Adam Perrin, Kristyn Zajac

Voting Members Excused: Drs. David Gregorio, Cynthia Price, Andrea Shields and Ms. Sara LeMaster

Voting Members Absent: Drs. Juan Salazar, Linda Shapiro and Mr. Mario Garcia

Others in Attendance: Dr. Enrique Ballesteros

Dr. Linda Barry called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes will be voted on via email as there were not enough members present for a quorum.

2. Update from Deans Council

Dr. Barry reported from the Deans Council updates regarding fringe rate on grants. There was an agreement that cut the fringe rate in half which is positive news, leading to increased funding available and it applies July 1, 2023. Also reported was not spending DCA funds within departments that are allocated for discretionary spending and a discussion pursued concerning the importance of ensuring these are exhausted.

3. Update from the Oversight Committee

Dr. Ballesteros updated from the Oversight Committee meeting and reported the approval of the ex officio seat for Multicultural and Community Affairs but “no” to voting. He said the basis for the decision was that there has never been an ex officio position who had voting privileges. He further explained that for this ex-officio seat to be able to vote would require bylaws change.

4. Update on New Ex-Officio Position for Office of Multicultural & Community Affairs

Dr. Barry presented a vision to create an ex officio committee member seat for the Office of Multicultural & Community Affairs (OMCA) office who would be a resource for applying a DEI lens to the issues considered by PIC since there is not one currently. Dr. Barry had proposed the role of this new position to be considered by the council in two phases – (1) should the ex-officio for OMCA be established and (2) if yes, should that position have voting privileges. Her proposal was based her understanding that the Primary Care ex-officio position had voting privileges. At the time, she was informed by Dr. Ballesteros and PIC administrative support that this was not the case. A discussion ensued by the members of the committee who weighed in and informed everyone a voting ex officio seat would require bylaws change. Further considerations followed regarding the positives and negatives of officio seat having voting privileges or not. The committee members present voted and majority agreed to establish an ex officio non-voting member seat currently based on the information provided

5. New Chair Selection

Dr. Barry will be stepping down as chair of PIC in July 2023. A call was made for nomination and self-nominations for chair for the next term. Dr. Jenna Bartley submitted her name for

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consideration. No other candidates were nominated.

Motion made by Dr. Linda Barry, to vote on Dr. Jenna Bartley for Chair of Public Issues Council.

Favor to approve: Drs. Anton Alerte, Linda Barry, Jenna Bartley, Michael Grey, Jaclyn Olsen-Jaeger, Adam Perrin, Kristyn Zajac  
Against: 0  
Motion Passed: 7

6. A representative for the Dean's council position must be held by a faculty member of senior rank. Dr. Adam Perrin volunteered

Motion made by Dr. Linda Barry, to vote on Dr. Adam Perrin for PIC representative for Dean's Council.

Favor to approve: Drs. Anton Alerte, Linda Barry, Jenna Bartley, Michael Grey, Jaclyn Olsen-Jaeger, Adam Perrin, Kristyn Zajac  
Against: 0  
Motion Passed: 7

## 7. Round Table

Discussion ensued regarding representation from Multicultural and Community Affairs for all committees and councils to make meaningful and actionable changes involving DEI issues and concerns. Further conversation about DEI challenges, recent SCOTUS decision removing race as a one of the factors to be considered for admission, and their implications were considered in our state and nationally, particularly in identifying ways we would support our colleagues who work in this space.

Dr. Barry thanked the committee for their support during her term as chair and proud to pass this seat to Dr. Bartley who with gratitude, accepted and will start next month.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Dr. Linda Barry, seconded by Dr. Adam Perrin, the meeting was adjourned, and concluded at 4:59 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Sullivan*

**Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting**  
July 24, 2023

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