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TO: Boston University Faculty

FROM: Jean Morrison, University Provost and Chief Academic Officer 

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SUBJECT: Announcement of the Search Advisory Committee for the Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies

As we begin the process of selecting the next dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, the first step is to constitute the Search Advisory Committee. The [BU Faculty Handbook](#) specifies that: *“the advisory committee shall consist of three faculty members elected by the faculty of the School for which a dean is to be selected, two faculty members elected by the Faculty Council from other Schools, and as many as three members designated by the provost.”* In addition, the provost appoints the chair of the committee.

I am pleased to announce that we have completed this initial step, and the membership of the Search Advisory Committee for the Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies (Pardee) is listed at the end of this memo. I thank the Pardee faculty and the University’s Faculty Council for their efforts to elect members to serve on this critical committee. I would also like to thank, in advance, the members of the Search Advisory Committee for their service and give special acknowledgement to Muhammad Zaman, Professor of Biomedical Engineering in the College of Engineering, who will serve as chair.

The charge to the Search Advisory Committee and the process by which it should conduct its work is outlined in my [memo of August 25](#). I will soon convene the Committee to provide them with further specifics of their charge, with the expectation that they will immediately begin the work of consulting with faculty and relevant stakeholders, soliciting nominations, recruiting outstanding candidates, and evaluating the qualifications and strengths of nominees and applicants. I will ask the Search Advisory Committee to forward the names of 3-5 qualified candidates to me by **April 4, 2022**, for final selection of the dean by President Brown and approval by the Board of Trustees.

The selection of a new dean is among the most important decisions we make. I look forward to working with the Search Advisory Committee to identify and recruit an outstanding faculty leader to serve as the next dean of the Pardee School of Global Studies.

Cc: Robert A. Brown
Eileen O’Keefe
Provost’s Cabinet

Search Advisory Committee for the Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies

Chair:

Muhammad Zaman, Professor of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering (selected by the University Provost)

Members:

Betty Anderson, Professor and Associate Chair of History, College of Arts & Sciences (elected by the Faculty Council)

Mariette DiChristina, Dean, College of Communication (selected by the University Provost)

Brian Jack, Professor of Family Medicine, School of Medicine (selected by the University Provost)

Timothy Longman, Professor of International Relations and Political Science; Director, Institute on Culture, Religion and World Affairs, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies (elected by the Pardee School of Global Studies)

David Mayers, Professor of History and Political Science, College of Arts & Sciences (elected by the Faculty Council)

Kaija Schilde, Associate Professor of International Relations, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies (elected by the Pardee School of Global Studies)

Michael Woldemariam, Associate Professor of International Relations and Political Science; Director, African Studies Center, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies (elected by the Pardee School of Global Studies)