



# Office of the Trustees Presidential Search Committee

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Dear members of the Tufts community:

President Tony Monaco's announcement last month about his plans to step down from his leadership of the university in summer 2023 was met not only with expressions of thanks for his great accomplishments and university successes for more than 10 years but also with ideas and insightful suggestions of how the trustees might thoughtfully approach the search for the next leader of this institution. For those comments, I am truly appreciative.

The Presidential Search Committee is faced with an important task—one that will affect us all as well as future members of the Tufts community. Following careful consideration of the many strong nominations made from within the Tufts community, I am pleased to announce the membership of the Search Committee.

**Bree B. Aldridge**, *Associate Professor, Molecular Biology and Microbiology, School of Medicine; Associate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, School of Engineering*

**J. Hellen Amuguni, VG11, A23P**, *Associate Professor of Infectious Disease and Global Health, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine*

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**Peter R. Dolan, A78, A08P**, *Chairman, Board of Trustees and Chair, Presidential Search Committee*

**Christina D. Economos, NG96**, *Professor, Dean for Research Strategy, the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy; Professor of Public Health and Community Medicine, School of Medicine*

**Madeline Fabela, E23**, *Undergraduate student*

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**James M. Glaser, A14P, A17P**, *Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, Professor of Political Science*

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**David L. Kaplan, A21P**, *Distinguished Professor and Chair of Biomedical Engineering, Stern Family Professor of Engineering, School of Engineering*

**Nadeem Karimbux**, *Dean of the School of Dental Medicine, Professor of Periodontology*

**Jette Steen Knudsen**, *President of the University Faculty Senate, Professor of Policy and International Business, The Fletcher School*

**Jeffrey M. Moslow, A86, A16P, A18P**, *Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees*

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More information on each of the members is available on the [Presidential Search Committee website](#).

The committee will work with the experienced executive search firm of Isaacson, Miller, which led the searches that culminated in the selection of President Bacow in 2001 and President Monaco in 2010. Founder and principal John Isaacson will personally manage the search. We are committed to a search that is international in scope and considers candidates from across a broad and diverse spectrum of backgrounds.

I will convene the committee as soon as possible to begin its important work. I know you will understand that the names of specific individuals under consideration must remain confidential during the search in order to attract candidates of the highest caliber. There will be opportunities for the Tufts community to meet with the Presidential Search Committee and provide comments on the university's future direction and the leadership qualities most important for our next president. These community meetings will be held for all campuses over the next two months.

You may reach the Presidential Search Committee by sending a confidential email to [trustees@tufts.edu](mailto:trustees@tufts.edu).

The [Presidential Search Committee website](#) will be updated during the course of the search to keep the community apprised and serve as a vehicle for input.

Thank you for your support as we begin the presidential search process.

Sincerely,

**Peter R. Dolan**

Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chair, Presidential Search Committee