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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL Town Hall with Nominees for PRESIDENT ELECT, 2021 AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY Virtual April 20, 2020

The Council of the American Chemical Society met virtually on April 20, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. EDT for a Special Meeting, designated as a Town Hall, for Councilors to hear from and ask questions of the 2021 President Elect Nominees. President Luis Echegoyen presided; Amber Hinkle, Chair of the Committee on Nominations and Elections and Tom Lane, past ACS President, served as moderators. Nominees Mary K. Carroll, Michael P. Doyle, Angela K. Wilson, and Frank D. Blum provided opening and closing statements and responded to moderated questions.

During the meeting, 282 Councilors attended all or portions of the meeting, with a quorum being established.

Purpose of Meeting

Dr. Echegoyen explained that the singular purpose of the meeting was for voting Councilors to hear from and ask questions of the four individuals selected by the Committee on Nominations and Elections as nominees for ACS President-Elect, 2021. The Council Policy Committee approved the format, which was based on the traditional Town Hall meeting for nominees held each spring at the national meeting, and on the formal introduction of the nominees during the Spring Council meeting. The nominees had agreed to participate and to abide by the proceedings. The Council Policy Committee also authorized the Committee on Nominations and Elections to supervise the selection process to determine two candidates from among the four nominees. The selection will take place by electronic ballot the week of April 27, 2020. Other business or motions at the meeting will be out of order.

Statements and Moderated Discussion

Amber S. Hinkle, chair, Committee on Nominations and Elections (N&E), in accordance with the provisions of Standing Rule IV, Sec. 1, a (2), called upon the moderator Thomas H. Lane, past ACS President, to present the following nominees for selection as candidates for President-Elect 2021: Frank D. Blum, Mary K. Carroll, Michael P. Doyle, and Angela K. Wilson. Each nominee offered an opening statement, answered questions submitted from the Councilors, and made closing remarks.

Conclusion

Dr. Echegoyen thanked everyone for attending, adding that he hoped the exchange helped Councilors to have a better understanding of the experience, talents and vision that each of these nominees would bring to the Society in the position of President-Elect.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Flint H. Lewis Secretary