

**The Future of the Rose Committee Meeting**  
**March 27, 2009**

**Summary**

The Committee finalized its charge and formulated its process. Components of the work plan include: gathering background information; soliciting feedback and ideas using surveys, town halls, email and other outreach mechanisms; developing options; deliberating; and writing the final report.

The Committee has released its charge to the community, has begun to gather and review background information, and has identified constituencies for outreach. The charge is available online at [http://www.brandeis.edu/provost/adhoc/rose\\_cmte.html](http://www.brandeis.edu/provost/adhoc/rose_cmte.html).

Several mechanisms for communication are already available including an email address that members of the community may use to send ideas for the future of the Rose ([rosefuture@brandeis.edu](mailto:rosefuture@brandeis.edu)), and an online forum <https://my.brandeis.edu/>, a private forum open to members of the Brandeis community only. To access the online forum, a Brandeis username and password are required to login, after which a respondent must select "Forums," and then select "Future of the Rose" under "Private Forums."

Additional mechanisms for communication will be forthcoming. The Committee is in the process of scheduling a town hall forum for Brandeis community members. Len Saxe has generously offered his time and that of his team to help the Committee construct a survey instrument that can be used to solicit feedback. This work is underway.

During the upcoming weeks, the Committee plans to reach out to a range of constituencies, including, but not limited to the following: faculty, undergraduate and graduate students, alumna/e, the Rose Board of Overseers, the University Board of Trustees, administrators and staff, individuals programmatically involved with the Rose, and outside experts.