

Annual ELD Meeting Notes, June 22, 2004 4:30-6:00 PM Salt Lake City

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Call to Order

Division Chair Larry Thompson called the meeting to order. Larry asked for additions to the agenda.

Agenda Additions

Linda Musser added Standards.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes from Nashville June 24, 2003. It was seconded and then approved with no changes.

Announcements

Banquet Directions

Director Mary Steiner gave directions to dinner for Panini. It is within walking distance of the convention center.

Larry recognized IOP for providing refreshments for this meeting. We requested a microphone for this session and it didn't show. Someone suggested that a member bring one to the conference next year for all sessions to use. ASEE's contract with the convention center will probably not allow that.

I don't know if this was mentioned here or at the Get Acquainted session, but it bears mentioning here. Andy reported that two categories of speakers were not included in the final printed program: (1) guest speakers (non-ASEE members) and (2) members who submitted papers that were not accepted for publication. These speakers appeared in the online session locator, so it was a surprise not to see them in the final program. Andy will contact ASEE to

report the problems so that they can be corrected next year. Can we ask ASEE to check the final program to see if it's OK before it goes to press? The next program chair will do this.

Larry reported on PIC IV (Professional Interest Council) meeting from Sunday afternoon. ASEE loses money on the Picnic every year even at \$35 per person. It is very expensive to put it on, what with all the buses, etc. However, ASEE has decided not to raise the price and to cap the cost at \$35.

The next locations for the ASEE conferences will be Portland (2005), Chicago (2006), Hawaii (2007), Pittsburgh (2008), and Austin (2009). Our group attendance at the conference is close to 100 in Salt Lake City. Overall ASEE attendance for Salt Lake City was 3, 217 (received in an ASEE email after the conference).

Larry introduced new and current officers and explained the rotation from Secretary/Treasurer, Program Chair, Division Chair, to Nominating Committee Chair. Other members of the executive committee include the first year Director (responsible for planning the banquet), and 2nd year Director. Larry recognized newly appointed or reappointed chairs of committees (archivist, development, membership, publications, literature guides, Ref 24x7, information literacy, liaisons coordinator, and webmaster. (editor's note - Task Force on Best Practices should also be included). Those who were entering their second years of appointment were not specifically mentioned. Committee officers' names can be found at the ELD website, <http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/officers.php>.

Officer and Committee Reports

To save time, committee reports are all in the May 2004 issue of the ELD Newsletter. The Chairs made brief oral additions to these reports below:

Program Chair (Andy Shimp) – Moderators - please collect evaluation forms at end of session and return to Andy, program chair. The T-shirt that is circulating goes to outgoing chair for Larry. Please sign it.

Treasurer (Jill Powell) – In addition to the annual report published in the May newsletter, the check from Knovel for \$1650 arrived on May 7, 2004. [Since this annual meeting, another \$310 check has arrived from IOP. This puts the

balance for the Operating account at \$500 and the balance for the BASS account at \$16,607.12. While this sounds like a lot, much of this will be paid out in expenses from this conference over the next few months.]

Nominating Committee – Gretchen Sneff announced the results of the first online election. Kate Thomes won for Secretary/Treasurer and Liz Mengel won for first year Director.

Accreditation and Standards – Kevin Drees reported for John Napp. He wants to collect information on what people have done for ABET. The committee will meet Wed at 10:30 am at the front of the Exhibits.

Archivist – Paige Gibbs got one question – when the division becomes established. Answer is 1967.

Awards – Greg Rashke had nothing to add.

Task Force on Best Practices – Christy Hightower says this group will continue for another year. She urged us to continue to share the punch list with our universities and give this group feedback.

Development – Stephen Stich is looking for a few members to be liaisons with sponsors. Let Stephen know if you want to help.

Duplicates – Orion Pozo did not attend.

Listserv - Mel DeSart did not have anything to report.

JSTOR – John Saylor had nothing new to report. He hasn't had time to work on it and asked for a new leader for this. JSTOR does not appear interested in selling engineering journals.

Liaisons – Christy Hightower had nothing to add.

Membership – Amy Van Epps reports attendance at 95 this year. 220 is the total membership

Membership Directory – Liz Mengel sent the directory out earlier via email and asked for updates. She will send the directory via email again in August. It is not posted on the ELD website due to political reasons (obtaining it is a

benefit of becoming a member). Amy Van Epps will look into making it accessible on the web via login with membership number.

Mentoring – Jay Bhatt reported that they became a committee (were formerly a task force). Member expertise is to be put in the directory. Please send successful mentoring stories to Jay. They will work with Liz (Membership Directory) and Amy (Membership).

Newsletter – Sandy Lewis was not in attendance.

Publications – Ann Morgan tells all potential authors to see the paper guidelines in our bylaws, <http://eld.lib.ucdavis.edu/bylaws.php>. Craig Beard is the current chair. The Publications committee can be a resource for those with questions on how to submit papers.

Literature Guides – Janardan Kulkarni reported that finalized guidelines were approved today. The Guide on Data Mining is almost complete. Nanotechnology and NanoScience will be next. Jan asked people to contact him if they wanted to volunteer and/or if they needed a topic. He's more than happy to have someone volunteer to do a guide who already has a topic in mind.

Union List – Mary Schlembach will be going on a 6 month sabbatical. The committee will do an html-only version of the Union List.

Ref 24x7 – Jim Ottaviani was not in attendance.

Information Literacy - ELD-ILit is an electronic discussion list designed for exchanges addressing issues related to information literacy and library instruction within engineering libraries or engineering disciplines. Coordinator Stephanie White invited anyone interested to meet at 10:30 am.

Webmaster – Bob Heyer-Gray can post your presentations on the ELD website. He is willing to meet with new website committee members at 10:30 am outside the exhibit hall.

Old Business

As a result of ELD requests at the Nashville conference, Larry asked Wiley and McGraw-Hill to bring more reference / library related materials to the Salt Lake City conference. When Larry checked with these vendors in the exhibit

hall, neither Wiley nor McGraw-Hill had any library materials on display. Representatives stated that reference books are in a different corporate division, and aren't brought to the conference. In contrast to these two publishers, Elsevier does have a nice display of encyclopedias and other reference materials. Larry suggests we go to the booths in the exhibit hall and let vendors know that librarians at the conference would like to see more library related material.

New Business

Linda Musser is interested in standards and the difficulties of space. Standards are hard to afford. Can our CRL membership help us? Archiving old standards is a particular problem. Linda will look into this issue. Anyone who is interested should contact her.

Electronic Voting

Gretchen Sneff reported that the turnout was 50%. 95 members came to this conference. There are some people who are members but are not subscribed to ELD-L. They don't see the announcements, so we had to contact them individually. The Nominations committee does more now that we have electronic voting. They are asking nominees to write a statement. They should include prior ELD positions, connections. Pictures were suggested and would be helpful. The Executive committee can discuss and it can be voluntary. Amy Van Epps volunteered to scan in individual pictures if people want to mail them to her. Members were appreciative of electronic voting and how it saved time. Larry was a little disappointed that we had only 50% turnout - he wanted more, but other members expressed approval of the turnout.

Should we move up the timing of the voting earlier – it would require a change in bylaws. One advantage to this is that we could notify people earlier so they know if they are staying for the Extended Executive Committee Meeting at the annual conference (and staying another night). This information is necessary when they prepare their airplane flight arrangements.

Awards – Greg Raschke presented the awards. Below is the text sent in an earlier email date April 26, 2004.

The ELD Award Committee is pleased to announce that the 2004 Homer I. Bernhardt Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Mel DeSart, Head of the Engineering Library at the University of Washington. Mel's substantial achievements in the profession: the establishment of the ELDNET-L listserv,

recruitment and mentoring of new engineering librarians, leadership in areas of scholarly communication, and significant contributions to ELD have made him a leader, trusted colleague, and creative force in the community of engineering librarians. He has raised the visibility and professional status of engineering librarians by his own modeling of exceptional competence, enthusiasm, and unselfish contributions to the profession. Mel's nomination received over a dozen letters of support from colleagues, faculty, vendors, and consortia representatives. One quote best summarizes those letters and the committee's decision, "Mel's dedication, his commitment and devotion to the profession, and his vitality are simply phenomenal." Congratulations Mel!

The 2004 Best Paper Award goes to Maliaca Oxnam for her paper "The Informed Engineer," presented at the 33rd ASEE/IEEE Frontiers in Education Conference. Boulder, CO (November 2003): session F1E, pages F1E-5 to F1E-8. Ms. Oxnam is an Assistant Librarian at the University of Arizona.

The Best Reference Work Award goes to *Comprehensive Structural Integrity*. Edited by Milne, Ritchie, and Karihaloo. Pergamon Imprint: Elsevier Science & Technology Books, 2003. This unique title fills a much-needed gap in many engineering library collections. By collecting essays from a wide-range of disciplines into one resource, *Comprehensive Structural Integrity* provides a definitive tool that links the various areas of scholarship comprising structural integrity and serves as an ideal candidate to receive ELDs 2004 Best Reference Work Award.

The annual meeting was adjourned.

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