MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

By Kari Kozak

Greetings ELD-ers,

I hope everyone is healthy, safe, and doing well. I know it’s been tough times for almost two years now, but I hope everyone is able to take a moment this upcoming holiday season to relax and rejuvenate.

As we look into the future, one of the things I’m most excited about is getting back to being able to hold meetings in person.

Next year’s annual conference will be in Minneapolis, MN, on June 26-29. Daniela Solomon, our Program Chair, has been diligently working with the Program Committee and many others to plan and organize the ELD agenda. I’m looking forward to us getting together this upcoming summer. If you’ve never attended an ASEE Annual Conference, I encourage you to do so. You’ll find great people, presentations, sharing, networking, food, and fun. I always learn a lot, and come back from ASEE conferences energized and motivated. To help cover or defray the cost of attending the annual conference, we are fortunate to provide several need-based travel stipends through the generous support of our sponsors. More information about the travel stipends can be found later in this newsletter. Thanks to ASTM, Elsevier, IEEE, IET, McGraw-Hill, Morgan & Claypool, and SPIE for providing our travel stipends.

The newly formed Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee has been finalized. I would like to thank Sarah Lester for agreeing to be Chair and Kelly Giles, Aditi Gupta, Tara Mawhinney, Christina B Mayberry, and Margaret L Phillips for being members. I look forward to seeing what great things you are able to do to promote the goals of diversity, equity, and inclusion within our Division.

Please be sure to read below in this newsletter to see all the great and wonderful things being done by our ELD members and how you too can get involved.

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas, please feel free to contact me at kari-kozak@uiowa.edu.

Wishing you all the very best, Kari
Call for Nominations – Secretary/Treasurer and Director

The ELD Nominating Committee would like to invite interested members to run for the offices of Secretary/Treasurer and Director. If you would like to nominate yourself or a colleague for either of these positions, or if you have any questions, please contact David E. Hubbard at hubbardd@library.tamu.edu.

Self-nominations are encouraged, and if you are nominating someone else, please be sure that you have their permission to nominate and that they are willing to run. Any nominee must indicate in writing their willingness to serve before their names are placed in nomination.

Per ELD Bylaws: “The Nominating Committee shall submit a slate of candidates to the membership no later than the third Friday of February...On or before the second Friday of March, ballots shall be made available to the membership electronically.” (Note: the 2022 dates are February 18 and March 11, respectively.)

ELD thrives on the strength and participation of its membership. We highly encourage individuals from all underrepresented communities to apply for leadership positions within ELD. It's been my experience that those elected to the positions have had tremendous support of their ELD colleagues who served before them.

Below are more details about each office:

Secretary/Treasurer

Election to Secretary/Treasurer starts a four-year commitment to the ELD officer track. The ELD member elected in 2022 will assume office at the end of the Annual Business Meeting at the conference next June in Minneapolis, MN. The Secretary/Treasurer becomes the Program Chair at the end of the 2023 conference in Baltimore, MD, responsible for planning the 2024 conference in Portland, OR. At the end of the 2024 conference, the Program Chair becomes Division Chair and will serve until the 2025 conference in Montréal, Canada. At the end of the 2025 conference, the Chair becomes Past Chair/Chair of the Nominating Committee serving through the 2026 conference in Charlotte, NC.

The Secretary/Treasurer, Program Chair, and Chair sit on both the Executive Committee (EC) and the Extended Executive Committee (EEC). The Past Chair/Chair of the Nominating Committee is a member of the EEC only. Progression from one office to the next takes place at the end of each year’s Business Meeting.

Director

The Directorship is a two-year commitment. During their first year the Director organizes the ELD welcome reception. In year two the Director organizes the annual banquet. The person elected Director next spring will organize the welcome reception in 2023 in Baltimore and the annual banquet in 2024 in Portland. The Director is a member of the EC and the EEC during their entire two-year term.

Complete descriptions of the roles and duties of ELD officers are available in Article V of the Bylaws and on the website. Many ELD members who have served in these positions would be happy to discuss their experiences with potential candidates. Please see the list of past chairs and past directors for names.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me with any questions at hubbardd@library.tamu.edu.

David E. Hubbard, Chair
Nominating Committee
(David E. Hubbard, Lisha Li, Willie Baer)
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
Sarah Lester, Chair

ELD has a new Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee! The inaugural members of this committee are:

Chair (2021-2023): Sarah Lester
Christina B Mayberry
Kelly Giles
Aditi Gupta
Margaret L Phillips
Tara Mawhinney

Mentoring Committee
Kevin Drees, Chair

In anticipation of the 2022 ASEE Conference in Minneapolis, I would like to call attention to the Conference Buddy Program and the Friendly Paper Review Service (announcements on page 5).

In the Conference Buddy Program, first-time attendees are assigned to seasoned veterans to help them navigate the sessions or introduce them to members. This voluntary program makes the conference atmosphere more welcoming and inclusive. If you are a new attendee and you’d like to have a seasoned buddy, or, if you are a seasoned veteran and would like to share your wisdom with a “newbie” buddy, contact Jay Bhatt at bhattjj@drexel.edu.

Have you submitted an abstract for the 2022 ASEE Conference or another conference? Or to a journal? Need help sorting through your ideas for a paper? Want to improve your chances of having your manuscript accepted for publication? If so, try our Friendly Paper Review Service. Contact Kevin Drees at kevin.drees@okstate.edu.

Publications Committee
Amani Magid & Sarah Over, Co-Chairs

We are transitioning to a new system for conference papers this year called Slayte, which will be used for reviewing papers for the 2022 Annual Conference. If you are a current Publications Committee member, make sure to keep an eye out for emails from Slayte. Amani (am6087@nyu.edu) and Sarah (sover05@vt.edu) will also be sending a survey in January to update research areas for reviewing and confirm participation. Reach out to us with any questions and we look forward to everyone’s excellent conference papers again this year.
Welcome Our New Member!

Sarah Miller is a Research Services Librarian at the University of Dayton. Sarah has several responsibilities in this position, serving as liaison to the School of Engineering and the physical science departments. Sarah supports advanced research services for faculty, facilitates use of the faculty research space known as Scholars' Commons, and supports data management. Prior to joining the faculty at the University of Dayton in July 2021, Sarah served as Reference Librarian at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, Librarian at the National Science Foundation, Visiting Library Systems Coordinator at the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI), Visiting Electronic Resources Librarian at Illinois Wesleyan University, and Graduate Assistant at Grainger Engineering Library at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Sarah received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Ohio Northern University and an M.S.L.I.S from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Sarah coaches little league softball and in her spare time, loves going to Bethany Beach, gardening, and reading novels. If you would like to contact Sarah, her email address is smiller15@udayton.edu.

Member Update!

Eric Schares, Engineering & Collection Analysis Librarian at Iowa State University, was successfully promoted to Librarian III on October 7, 2021. Congratulations, Eric!
Conference Buddy Program

Are you new to the Engineering Libraries Division? Attending your first ASEE Annual Conference? Get paired up with an ELD Member to show you the conference ropes.

For more information contact
Jay Bhatt via email: bhattj@drexel.edu

Try the ELD Friendly Paper Review Service

Would you like some feedback on a paper you are planning to submit for publication?

Need some help writing your paper?

Want to improve your chances of having your manuscript accepted for publication?

For more information contact
Kevin Drees, Chair via email: kevin.drees@okstate.edu

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