

# **EDiv Executive Committee Meeting at EMA2019**

01/23/19 7:00 – 8:00 am, Orlando, FL

**Executive Committee Meeting minutes** 

Attendees: Rick Ubic, Jenny Andrew, Steve Tidrow, Jon Ihlefeld, Claire Xiong

Review of Agenda and division financials, EMA 2020 meeting will be chaired by Alp and Claire (Rick).

### **Membership in EDiv**

Steve – Can we recruit members who claim EDiv as secondary? Suggested if we could ask for clarification why we have so few members in EDiv. If members can claim multiple divisions what strategy we could use to increase the membership in EDiv. Suggested that we send emails to make sure people have the right affiliation for membership.

Rick – We should ask people to make sure they are members in our division.

Jenny – When people first register at ACerS they might get locked in as the member for the division they choose at the time of registration.

Steve/Jon – Suggested that maybe we could ask ACerS to clarify members. Rick mentioned that it has been done previously. Steve said that we should roughly triple what we have now in membership. Jon suggested that we can go through BSD to identify EDiv members. Rick suggested to get a spread sheet of the membership from ACerS and track down the members.

## **Supplements**

Rick – The supplements have always been used to try to support students through student comps. 2 students were supported through supplements last year to attend MS&T.

### Officers for EDiv

Rick – Officer/Trustee nominations (our Nominations Committee is Brady, Voja, and Ruyan) Ed Gorzkoswki – Assistant Secretary Steven Tidrow – Trustee

Award Nominations (Awards Committee is Jenny and Geoff)

EMA student awards procedures (Jenny)

Still need new application form (including new essay topic and contact details) for Hoffman

Meetings, including MS&T symposia and the future of EMA with BSD



Programming Committee (Alp, Claire, Jenny, Reeja, Ed) to work with BSD (Jeff and John) to find mutual areas of interest for EMA

#### **Awards**

EMA student awards

Jenny – Has been struggling with getting enough judges for the EMA student awards. In order to cover every single talk & poster needed to engage more than 35 judges. Hoped that the judges can do what they signed up to. Wondered if we could better frame how we do awards. It used to be that symposium organizers were asked for nominations. Talked to Kevin Talley (a student at Colorado School of Mines). They both agreed that there might be student who is good at presenting talks but they might just talk about someone else's work. Maybe we should put a barrier such that the faculty should nominate their students for awards like other meetings (e.g., MRS) do.

There are 5-8 student talks scheduled on Friday (disqualified for student award competition). Felt like asking a lot from the people to judge, who might want to go to other talks at the times of the student talks. Did get 90% to respond to her email request. Commented that another obstacle was that some potential judges have difficulty to attend (e.g., weather). Had contacted a few symposium organizers and they replied to her that they didn't plan to attend.

Commented that the current rubrics captured the criteria well.

Jon – One scenario could arise if the nomination is based just on abstracts then one symposium might have all the competitive abstracts. Some symposia only have a few student abstracts. Maybe consider the advisor nomination strategy. Every student should have their talks before the banquet (Thursday night).

Rick – In addition to diversity in topics we also need to consider geographic and institutional diversity for the nomination. Asked what criteria for the student talks should be (e.g., how to weigh the content vs. style).

Steve/Rick – The secretary-elect can make the call how to run the student awards.

Claire – mentioned that there are a lot talks to judge this year compared to last year (31 vs. 19). The number of judges are reduced to 2 per talk this year. The scores need to be rigorously analyzed.

Both Jenny and Claire offered to provide advice to the next student award organizer (Ed). Jon and Rick mentioned that the plan for poster judges is doable.

Hoffman Award

Rick – The deadline for application is May 15.



Jon – Used to email everyone he knows has students to apply in order to increase the numbers of application.

Henry Award

Jon/Rick – commented that they used to scan through all abstracts of papers related to EDiv. The selection of the candidate papers could include the citation and abstract quality. Erica can also help with the solicitation for the application.

### **EDiv committees**

Steve – Asked if Rick had problems populating the committees. Rick answered that committees were populated. Suggested that we should include students in committees.

Jon – We could involve PCSA reps but commented that we might need to check the amendment and ACerS policy for student involvement.

# Materials Advantage (MA)

Steve – Asked how to help increase MA students for EDiv.

Jenny – Students create their own organization. Will look into it at UF in the fall. Get more EDiv members as advisors might help. Reach out to Kathy R.

Jon – don't know if have a program on campus.

#### Miscellaneous

Steve – Webinar series. South America students watch them to practice their English.

Jon/Rick – Brady is working on the webinar.

Rick – The responsibilities of each EDiv officer are detailed online (https://ceramics.org/members/member-communities/divisions/electronics/acers-electronics-division-rules-and-reports)