Dear DEED Members,

July is Upon us!

The intent of this newsletter is to inform the DEED community about upcoming events and related news in DEED, ASEE, and the engineering design community.

Newsletters are typically sent on the 15th of every month; submissions are welcome.

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1) New Officers Installed

During the DEED business meeting held during the annual conference in Seattle, elections were held according to the bylaws of the DEED division. The officers for the 2015 - 2016 year are:

Division Chair - Peter Schmidt
Division Vice Chair and Treasurer - Reid Bailey
Division Program Chair - Gail Hohner
Division Program Chair Elect - Robert Nagel

Director - Shraddha Sangelkar
Director - Keith Stanfill
Director - Bridget Smyser

The officers would like to thank Susannah Howe, who moves into the role of Past Chair, for her service and leadership during her tenure in office. Susannah has agreed to assume the role of webmaster for DEED. Watch this space for more information.

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2) Membership renewal

You should be receiving, or have recently received, an email reminder to renew your membership. Please take advantage of the opportunity to renew prior to the fall, when start of semester duties can supercede professional development concerns.

DEED activities are funded by your membership dues, both via the ASEE portion and the division specific supplement. Membership drives conference activities, such as number of sessions available for authors to present their work, special sessions such as the performance by Third Coast Percussion, and the DEED activities at the Division mixer, where personal harmonicas were constructed in real time.
Keep DEED Dynamic! Renew Today!

3) ASEE Financial Situation

Members may have received an email from ASEE recently detailing changes in the organizational financial system. In short, the organization is operating at a deficit, which must be corrected. The shortfall is being addressed via changes in accounting practice, necessary to protect tax exempt status of the organization, increase in institutional dues and institution of overhead charges on discretionary spending by divisions.

This translates into a 30% surcharge on income to the division, except for dues payments. Income from workshops, targeted gifts and other income will reduce the operational budget for DEED starting on 1 October 2015.

Please see item 5 for possible remediation plans.

4) ASEE Makers Unite!

The ASEE Manufacturing Division has reached out to DEED to request cross divisional participation in some planned Maker events for 2015 - 2016.

Look for more information in the ASEE DEED Call for papers for the annual conference, as well as information posted in this newsletter.

Here are some links to the events held during our conference in Seattle:

https://sites.google.com/site/aseemfgmakers/home/2015-presenters
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From Dr. Hugh Jack, ASEE MFG

Some options to consider for you or your division.

1. (You) Participate in the brainstorming and planning process. - Send me an email address to add to a discussion list.  
2. (Division) Co-sponsor the event. - Send me an email address for a fall reminder to co-sponsor when the session(s) in the system..  
3. (Program Chair) Mention the session in the call for papers or in messages to division membership.

DEED is already addressing options 2 and 3. If you'd like to contact Hugh personally his email address is: drhughjack@gmail.com
5) DEED Bylaws to be reviewed and revised

In accordance with ASEE policy, the DEED bylaws are set to receive regular review starting this fall. Members are encouraged to review the bylaws and to forward suggested changes to the officer designated as point of contact for this activity. This information will be posted in the September newsletter.

Possible changes include a dues increase to bridge the gap created by the new accounting system at ASEE, institution of the position of DEED webmaster, either as a stand alone position or as part of the duties of one of the existing officers, as well as the inclusion of a diversity statement or policy.

6) Put the Design in DEED!

"The scientist merely explores that which exists, while the engineer creates what has never existed before."
- Theodore Von Kármán

Design is central to engineering. Shouldn't DEED be central to ASEE?

DEED members, please reach out to your colleagues and encourage them to join the DEED division!

7) Submitting to the InDEED Newsletter

To submit an item to the InDEED newsletter, please prepare a short description (no more than 2 paragraphs) including any relevant URLs (in explicit form, not as hyperlinks), deadlines and contact information.

Email this information to Peter Schmidt, DEED Division Chair - ps125@evansville.edu.

The newsletter will be distributed on the 15th of each month. Newsletter submissions should be forwarded no later than the 10th of the month.

Yours inDEED,

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