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Dear EDGD family members,

I am so pleased and honored to be the Chair of this prestigious division. I want to thank the Division's confidence in me and the great support provided by my predecessors, Bob Chin, Norma Veurink, Nick Bertozzi, Kevin Devine, Dennis Lieu etc. I want to thank our immediate past chair, Bob for his contributions he made to the vitality of the Division. I also wish to express my thanks to all our former Division officers for their superb leadership and service over the past years and to our newly selected officers, Vice chair, Heidi Steinhauer, Secretary/Treasurer, Petros Katsioloudis and Director of Publications, Nancy Study for their upcoming work on behalf of the Division.

My heartfelt thanks to conference site chair, Dennis Lieu, program chair, Daniel Kelly and Thomas Delahunty for their endless effort in organizing and hosting EDGD 73rd Midyear Conference, despite the massive Camp Fire and bad air quality Dennis had experienced, and the personal health issues Dan and Tom had faced respectively. Thanks to our Director of Communications, Jennifer McInnis for managing our conference web page on our new Division website. Make sure to check our website for latest conference information. The theme is "The visualizing instinct for contemporary education". Through technical sessions, workshops, and tours I am sure you will have fruitful and rewarding exchanges about static and dynamic visualization in multimedia learning and engineering education.

I want to give a HUGE THANK YOU to our sponsors, Autodesk, Solidworks, Solid Professor, and Bowles Hall for their continuous support of our conference and our Division. As our long-time partners, they play a critical role in making our midyear conference an exceptional event.

Thanks to our Vice Chair, Heidi Steinhauer for drafting two exciting travel grants and managing the selection of travel grants. Our first Rising Educator Award goes to Dr. Leroy Long from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He will give his invited lecture on Tuesday, January 8th, 2019 at lunch time.

The Professional Interest Councils (PICs) of ASEE announced a call for proposal to support innovative special projects up to \$500 during 2018-2019. EDGD submitted the proposal and agreed to match \$500 supported by PIC III to propose an EDGD participation grant, which will encourage and promote

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educators and/or researchers to implement an engineering graphics related project. Stay tuned.

To the 126th ASEE annual conference on June 15-19, 2019 in beautiful Tampa, FL, the EDGD program chairs are Ted Branoff and Heidi Steinhauer. I can assure you that they will have a fantastic program created and a fine dining restaurant for our award banquet on Tuesday, June 18th, 2019 selected. I hope to see you there.

We have some minor changes to our own journal, *Engineering Design Graphics Journal*. Beginning with Volume 83 in 2019, articles will be published as accepted and there will be a single volume each year. If you are interested in publishing your graphics related work, please contact our current Director of Publications, Nancy Study for more information.

Thanks our immediate past chair, Bob for leading our bylaws revision. The revised version after the Executive Committee meeting will be presented to the Division at our business meeting on Monday, January 7th, 2019.

Our new website is https://sites.asee.org/edgd/. We are still in the middle of the migration. Eventually we want to use old domain name http://edgd.asee. org/ to direct you to our new website. Our website offers a great source of division information.

Last but not least, thank you all, EDGD executive committee members for your continuous dedication, support, and contribution. I look forward to working with all of you throughout another prosperous year.

Hope you enjoy this Fall issue of the *Engineering Design Graphics Journal* and see you at our 73rd Midyear Conference in January 2019!