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March 2025 Newsletter from ASEE LEAD Division

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Of particular note:

- Early bird rate deadline is April 7 (for the 2025 National Conference in Montreal).
- Friday afternoon book club is going strong. Join us this Friday (see the link below)!

ASEE LEAD Division 2025 Annual Conference News

- Conference information and registration is in full swing: [here](#). [The ASEE conference website is currently problematic—if you have issues, you may scroll to the bottom of the webpage for content]
- Early bird rate deadline is April 7.
- While French is the primary language, most residents also speak English.

Papers are in, with final decisions made. We're looking forward to full sessions, with a couple special sessions, as well. Details are still forming—keep an eye out for the next newsletter, where we'll have many of the final details for division events. As a quick preview, I've included some basic information below...

Sunday

Informal connections... further information forthcoming...

Monday

Sessions

Afternoon / evening- maybe an informal exploration of Old Montreal? Reach out for details...

Tuesday

Sessions

Business Meeting

Division Social (ticketed event)

Wednesday

Sessions

The 2024/25 list of officers:

- 1) Division Chair: Meg Handley mhh11@psu.edu
- 2) Program Chair/Division Chair-Elect: Kenneth Lamb kwilamb@cpp.edu
- 3) Program Chair elect: Rebecca Komarek rebecca.komarek@colorado.edu
- 4) Treasurer: Elizabeth Melvin lizmervin@lsu.edu
- 5) Membership & Nominating Chair: Brett Tallman bretttallman@hotmail.com
- 6) Secretary/Webmaster: Brian Novoselich brian.novoselich@westpoint.edu
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- 8) Past Chairs:
 - Cindy Rottmann cindy.rottman@utoronto.ca;

- Meagan Kendall mvaughan@utep.edu
- Kimberly Wolfinbarger kimw@ou.edu

Appointed positions (subject to change)

- Director of strategic planning: Mike Manning mi.manning@northeastern.edu
- Director of scholarly activity: Darren Pierre dpierre@umd.edu
- Awards chair: Jacqueline Ashley Jacqueline.ashley@northwestern.edu

**If you are interested in becoming more involved with ASEE LEAD, contact the ASEE LEAD Membership and Nominating Chair at bretttallman@hotmail.com

ASEE LEAD LinkedIn

Don't forget to follow us on the LEAD Division LinkedIn page! You can find us on LinkedIn [here](#).

ASEE LEAD Division – Cheers and Congratulations

**Would you like to have yours or someone else's accomplishment(s) to be highlighted in the next ASEE LEAD newsletter? If so, email your kudos to Brett Tallman at bretttallman@hotmail.com. Be sure to include the name, institution, and title of the person you are congratulating and why you are congratulating them.

Engineering Leadership Development Program Spotlights

**Would you like to have your engineering leadership development program to be highlighted in the next ASEE LEAD newsletter? If so, email your kudos to Brett Tallman at bretttallman@hotmail.com. Be sure to include the name of the program, institution, and why you would like them to be in the spotlight.

Community / Open Position Announcements

ASEE LEAD book club:

For our upcoming book club (3/21 from 3-4 CST), we will be further exploring engineering leadership foundational ideas:

In Search of a Definition and Frameworks for Engineering Leadership Development, by Rebecca L. D. Komarek

As before, we will meet every other Friday (3/21 this week), from 3-4 CST. See the 'Overview' section (below) for further details. Please reach out to Brett Tallman if you have any questions (bretttallman@hotmail.com).

Overview:

Do you want to connect with other engineering leadership scholars and dig into core ideas together? Bring your inner nerd (or outer nerd—most of us, after all, are in academia), and explore leadership papers together; join us for our bi-weekly LEAD book club. We will convene on zoom via this link (3/21 from 3-4 CST):

<https://tcu.zoom.us/j/6899050111?omn=96841497409>.

This is a smaller and more scholarly oriented gathering than the Leadership Lounge (of course, you are welcome to both), outlined below.

New Authentic Leadership Resources:

From Ron Bennett:

As a founding member of the LEAD division of ASEE, I want to share some resources with you that may be helpful. This is a compilation of two decades of materials and includes references to a number of interviews with outstanding individuals who have practiced and advanced the art of authentic leadership. All materials are included on our website at <https://leadershipforengineers.com/>. Please review and use as you see fit.

Here is a quick outline of what is on that website.

- Background on our most recent book *'The Engineer's Guide to Authentic Leadership'* published by Artech House in 2024.
- Information and interviews with the authors, R.J. Bennett and E.R. Millam.
- Profiles of the six leaders whose interviews appear in the book.
- Full interviews with an additional three leaders who are not in the book.
- A section on Resources
 - Book reviews
 - Podcasts
 - BJKraemer Leadership Blueprint podcast. **Beyond Technical Skills: Why Engineers Need Leadership Training**
 - SME Advanced Manufacturing Now podcast, **Authentic Leadership**
 - Academic articles
 - Professional articles
 - Teaching resources
- Information on our earlier book published by McGraw-Hill in 2013, *'Leadership for Engineers: The Magic of Mindset'*.

If you have any questions or comments, please send them to Ron Bennett at rjbennett@stthomas.edu

**Does your program or department have an open position that you'd like to announce in the next ASEE LEAD newsletter? Are you an ASEE LEAD Division member? ASEE will

post all positions requested by ASEE members (for engineering leadership development related positions and others) and all engineering leadership development-related positions (even if requested by someone not a member of ASEE LEAD). Email Brett Tallman at bretttallman@hotmail.com so we can get the open position posted in the next ASEE LEAD newsletter! Open position announcements will run as long as the position is open and your institution is accepting applications.