

ATA Science and Technology Division

To: Board of Directors and Past Presidents
From: Mery Molenaar, S&TD Administrator
Heike Holthaus, S&TD Assistant Administrator
Date: January 20, 2022
Re: ATA Science & Technology Division Status Report January 2022

In brief

- We held a virtual pre-conference networking event on Tuesday, October 12, 2021.
- We organized a conference dinner at ATA62 in Minneapolis.
- We posted recaps of conference sessions and photos on our website blog.
- We sent two news broadcasts to the membership and posted these on the S&TD website.
- We updated the Resources section of our website with ATA board reports, annual meeting minutes and conference materials.
- We submitted a nomination for 2022 Distinguished Speaker, which has been approved by the conference organizer.
- Our members were active on the S&TD's groups.io e-mail forum (123 members), Facebook group (145 members), Twitter feed (751 followers) and LinkedIn group (156 members).
- At last count, we have 1766 division members. With this many members we remain a strong division and are currently the sixth largest division within the association.

S&TD Leadership Council

The Science & Technology Division Leadership Council (LC) is currently made up of ten individuals, including the Administrator and Assistant Administrator. Current LC members are:

Mery Molenaar – Administrator	Heike Holthaus – Assistant Administrator
Pavitra Baxi & Kenneth McKerrow – Blog Co-Editors	Carola Berger – Webmaster
Anees Gharzita – Facebook Admin	Lebzy González – LinkedIn Manager
Romina Marazzato Sparano – Twitter Admin	Matthew Schlecht – Listserv Manager
Naomi Sutcliffe de Moraes – Support LC Member	

The S&TD formed an LC after the annual meeting in October 2021. All previous members were invited to continue to serve and everyone accepted. We appointed a new Blog Co-Editor, Kenneth McKerrow, to fill the vacancy left open after Heike moved into her new role as Assistant Administrator. Carola took over Naomi's role as Webmaster, while Naomi is staying on as Support LC Member. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and motivated team.

The LC met on December 3, 2021 via Zoom to discuss items of interest for 2022 and plans to meet quarterly going forward.

Looking back at ATA62 in Minnesota

The Science & Technology Division hosted a successful division dinner with fourteen members attending. S&TD Facebook Admin Anees Gharzita was awarded the 2021 AFTI First-Time ATA Conference Attendee

Scholarship. We received positive feedback on the two sessions by our Distinguished Speaker, Dr. Nic Jelinski. In addition, S&TD Listserv Manager Matthew Schlecht gave an excellent presentation which is being considered for publication in the ATA Chronicle. This year, our division was assigned only three presentation slots at the conference. We are hoping for an opportunity to give more division members a chance to present at the next conference. Reviews and photos of the sessions and dinner are posted on our blog and website.

Going forward

- We published a news update in November 2021 and January 2022 and will continue to publish bi-monthly news updates to keep our members informed.
- Our Blog Co-Editors have created a style guide for blog articles, which was recently posted on the website. Our goal for 2022 is to get more members to author articles for our blog. A call for blog articles will be released soon.
- The LC is currently working on a membership survey to make sure we are meeting our members' needs and to increase member participation within the division. We are hoping to send out the survey in January or February.