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GREETINGS FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

BY SUSAN TILLEY

Dear Members:

The year is quickly coming to a close. It has been another difficult year during which ISfTE members have faced numerous challenges that COVID has presented to the world. Based on our national and local contexts, I expect we have all dealt with various impacts and restrictions on our professional and personal lives.

As a global community we need to acknowledge the inequities that exist around the world as resource-rich countries access vaccines and supports not available in other locations. In Canada, I have had the privilege of being vaccinated and working comfortably from home while living with the knowledge that I am protected in ways that some of my colleagues and their families elsewhere have not been. I hope we will all add our voices where possible to encourage our governments to support the global community by sharing vaccines and resources with those in need. I hope that in spite of the challenges our members have experienced that each and every one has found a way to thrive in spite of the adversity they have faced.



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BY SUSAN TILLEY

Business matters:

Over the past year, ISfTE Executive Board members have continued to meet electronically to address ISfTE matters. You will see a number of changes and initiatives as we move into the coming year. I am excited to announce that Leanne Taylor, in her new role as Editor of JISTE and with the support of JISTE Editorial Board members, is forging ahead with plans to convert our journal to an open-access format. Please read about this important shift in Leanne's JISTE Update (pgs. 3-5). I want to thank Leanne for her hard work and Editorial Board members for their contributions to getting this exciting initiative in place.

Jackie Chan will be stepping down as our Communications Manager this year and Katarina Pantic from Weber State will be our new Communications Manager. Jackie and Katarina have been working together to ensure a smooth transition into the new year. Jackie provides the Communication Manager update in this newsletter (pg. 6). I want to thank Jackie on behalf of all members for his dedication and hard work over the past 7 years.

Early in the new year, we will hold elections for Member-at-Large positions that are open for 3-year terms beginning June 2022. Only ISfTE members are eligible to run or vote for these positions. Please check to ensure you have kept your membership fees up to date. Everyone who attended ISfTE 2019 in Niagara Falls, Canada are paid members. Membership fees for 2019-2020 were included with the 2019 registration. All other people need to submit their fees to maintain their membership. To pay your fees, please follow the directions Sheryl Rushton (ISfTE Treasurer) provides on Page 8.

Please give serious consideration to running for a position. We need members to contribute to the work of our Society through membership on the Executive Board. If you are not available at this time, nudge another member that you know to run for a position. You will receive information and directions for casting your votes early in the new year.

At our Annual General meeting in Brazil, we will welcome our newly elected board members and our new Secretary-General, Sheryl Rushton who will move from her position as Secretary-General Elect to Secretary General (2022-2025).

An invitation was recently sent out to remind members to submit their abstracts and start making plans to attend ISfTE 2022 in Brazil. Please let your colleagues know about the conference and encourage them to visit the ISfTE 2022 website to learn more (<https://isfte2022.eventize.com.br/index.php?language=en>). Although COVID continues to influence what is happening around the world, we remain hopeful that May will be a time when we can meet again face-to-face to present, discuss and celebrate our work as educators and educational researchers. Our Brazil colleagues have been working diligently to ensure we have a rewarding experience at ISfTE 2022. They are keeping up to date on COVID related issues and restrictions and will update the conference website as needed. I will also forward any new information about ISfTE 2022, as it comes available, to our membership.

See the ISfTE 2022, Brazil announcement on Page 7.

I wish you all the best in 2022. May you and your families be safe and healthy and experience many exciting challenges and successes in the new year.

Sincerely,
Susan Tilley

BY LEANNE TAYLOR

December 2021

Editor: Leanne Taylor, Canada

It is my pleasure to write my first report as Editor of JISTE. On behalf of the Editorial Board, I would like to begin by expressing my heartfelt gratitude to Karen Bjerg Petersen for her tremendous work and for all she has done to support the journal and the Society. As many of us know, Karen was Editor of JISTE for more than ten years. During this time, she has been a dedicated, committed, reliable and generous mentor and leader in our Society. Throughout her tenure as Editor, Karen advanced JISTE's reputation as an international journal and ensured JISTE continued to be a meaningful forum for dialogue about teacher education in an international context. I am honored to continue this work and to follow Karen's good guidance moving forward. Thank you, Karen!

The success of JISTE is also dependent on our Editorial Board as well as our team of Associate Editors. I am grateful to DeeDee Mower and David Byrd at Weber State University. Their hard work and commitment are a key part of JISTE's success. Both are working diligently to complete the final English editing for issue 25.2, which is scheduled to be published by the end of December 2021.

The success of JISTE, which publishes two issues per year, depends on the hard work of a group of dedicated volunteers. We are fortunate to have such a strong voluntary base who generously donate their time, expertise, and knowledge to JISTE.

Updates

The JISTE Editorial Board held its annual meeting on June 9, 2021. Karen Bjerg Petersen chaired the meeting, which was held online. Although the Editorial Board typically meets in person at the ISfTE Seminar, we once again moved online due to the cancellation of the 2021 Seminar in Bhutan.

At this meeting, the Board agreed to bring forward to the ISfTE Executive Board a proposal to move JISTE to an open access format. Over the past several years, our ISfTE membership has requested that JISTE explore the possibility to move to open access in recognition that open and free availability of scientific research for everyone has become an important global issue. Norway and much of Europe, for example, have implemented ambitious policies on open access for the past decade. Many other countries have moved or are moving to an open access format. The Editorial Board agreed that moving JISTE to open access would allow more ISfTE members the opportunity to submit articles to JISTE, which would in turn increase readership and citations and expand participation in ISfTE (i.e., generate new members).

I am pleased to announce that the ISfTE Executive Board has approved our request to move JISTE to an open access format. We are now in the process of finalizing JISTE's Open Access site.

Once the site is available, all submissions, reviewer evaluation forms, and journal correspondence will be completed through the secure online site. This shift simplifies the process for editors, reviewers, authors, and readers. The site will be straightforward to navigate. Detailed user instructions will be provided to all members.

The website will launch in early 2022. The site will be available to receive JISTE manuscript submissions in February for publication in JISTE 26.1.

UPDATES FROM JISTE (C'TINUED)

BY LEANNE TAYLOR

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Ethics Policy

A working group of JISTE Editorial Board members (Ingebjørg Aarek, Cornelia Brodahl, Vera Woloshyn, Anne Ask, and Nuray Senemoglu) have met to develop JISTE's ethics policy. Elements of this policy will be included on the JISTE open access site in the new year.

Thanks to all for their continued work.

JISTE PUBLICATIONS

JISTE 24.2 was published December 2020. Title: Diverse Aspects on Education: Perspectives from the World.

JISTE 25.1 was published July 2021. Title: Conditions Influencing Learning and Teaching: Country Based Investigations and Reflections.

JISTE 25.2 is in the final editing stage. It will be published by December 31, 2021

Past issues of JISTE will continue to be available on the ISfTE Website.

Call for Papers: 26.1

Please consider submitting papers for publication in JISTE 26.1. This is an open issue. The submission deadline is February 15, 2022. The journal will be published in July 2022. For more details, please see the call for submissions on the ISfTE website and Facebook page. Please consider encouraging your colleagues to submit as well.

Call for papers 26.2

26.2 will cover the Brazil 2022 Seminar. We encourage people planning to attend ISfTE 2022 in Brazil to consider submitting their manuscripts for consideration for JISTE 26.2, which will be published in December 2022. The submission deadline is August 15, 2022.

Other business

JISTE is indexed in ERICs databases, in EBSCO, in ULRICHs web and in the national bibliographical academic indexes of Brazil, Norway and Denmark.

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERS

Ingebjørg Aarek, Norway; Anne Selvig Ask, Norway; Cornelia Brodahl, Norway; David Byrd, USA; Vera Lucia Felicetti, Brazil; DeeDee Mower, USA; Modupe Osokoya, Nigeria; Karen Bjerg Petersen, Denmark; Sheryl Rushton, USA; Nuray Senemoglu, Turkey; Leanne Taylor, Canada; Kemma Tsujino, Japan; Vera Woloshyn, Canada.

Ex. Officio members: Secretary General, Susan Tilley, Canada; Jackie Chan, Hong Kong, Communication Manager

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We appreciate the many colleagues from all over the world who have dedicated their time and expertise freely in support of the Journal and their colleagues. We are also grateful to those who have served as double-blind reviewers and statistical consultants for the journal worldwide. JISTE could not be sustainable without your service.

COMMUNICATION MANAGER UPDATE

TIME TO MOVE ON

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BY JACKIE CHAN

In 2021, we received several inquiries (about JISTE, finding collaborators, ISfTE seminar and ISfTE membership) through e-mail and Facebook. All inquiries have been forwarded to corresponding ISfTE board members to provide follow up information. I hope and expect everyone received the information they requested. During August and September 2021, we posted a series of ISfTE 2022 promotional videos on our Facebook page. I hope to see you all at the ISfTE 2022 seminar!

It has been my pleasure to serve as ISfTE's Communication Manager since 2014. In the last 7 years, I have reshaped the three communication channels between ISfTE members (ISfTE website, Facebook page and e-mail). I hope you have all been able to access the required information from these channels quickly and on time. Thanks for your support and it is time to move on.

I am very happy to introduce the new ISfTE Communication Manager, Katarina Pantic, from Weber State University to our ISfTE members. She will be responsible for keeping all of you updated with the latest ISfTE activities.

Katarina and I are currently working together to ensure a smooth transition as I step down from the Communication Manager's position and Katarina starts a new term. We expect all will be in place including the successful migration of the ISfTE server Hong Kong to the USA before ISfTE 2022 in Brazil.

Please feel free to inquire for the latest information from:

- ISfTE website (<http://isfte.org>)
- Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/isfte>) and
- E-mail, isftecontact@gmail.com.



Jackie Chan



Katarina Pantic
Upcoming Communication
Manager

ISFTE 2022 ANNOUNCEMENT

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BY VERA LUCIA FELICETTI AND FABRICIO PONTIN

We are pleased to announce that the ISfTE Annual Seminar will be hosted by La Salle University - UNILASALLE. The conference will be held at Costão do Santinho Resort, in **Florianopolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil, May 16-19th, 2022.**

The conference theme is: Education during challenging times: **Sustainability, virtuality and teaching practices in a post-COVID_19 context.**

Presentations will address areas listed below.

- Virtual environments, inclusiveness, and accessibility
- Diversity issues in education
- Teachers preparation for the new decade
- Teaching and learning processes
- Educational psychology
- Global trends & transformations in education
- Research approaches and methods in educational research
- Advancements in curriculum & pedagogy
- Globalization and internationalization of teaching strategies

We have planned a series of informative talks, meetings, and excursions. We look forward to providing ISfTE members with an engaging, productive, and memorable space to exchange knowledge and points of view about teacher education and educational research.

Please visit our comprehensive website that provides all the necessary information: (<https://isfte2022.eventize.com.br/index.php?language=en>).

IMPORTANT DATES

CALL FOR ABSTRACT:

DECEMBER 1ST 2021 - JANUARY 30, 2022

EARLY REGISTRATION: FEBRUARY 28, 2022 MARCH 22, 2022

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

MARCH 31, 2022

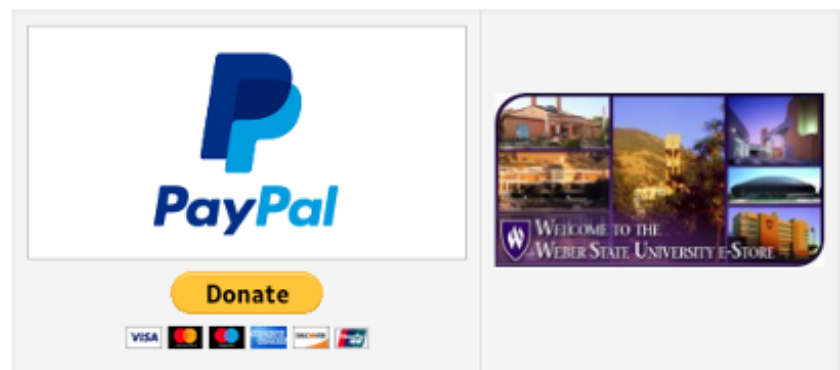
WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO COSTÃO DO SANTINHO, BRAZIL IN 2022!

VERA LUCIA FELICETTI AND FABRICIO PONTIN

For you to vote in the upcoming elections, you will need to have your membership fees paid. If you attended the ISfTE 2019 Seminar in Niagara Falls, Canada, you are considered a current paid member of ISfTE. If you were not able to attend the 2019 Niagara Fall, CA seminar and have not already paid your **USD \$75.00 membership** you may do so by going to the ISfTE website: <https://isfte.org/>

1. Click on "Become A Member" in the left column or follow this link:
<https://isfte.org/index.php/become-a-current-member/>
There you will find 2 options for making a membership payment.

2. There are links of sample payments for both the PayPal option and the Weber State University E-Store option found in the middle of this webpage.



3. **Annual Membership in ISfTE is USD \$75.00.**

If you have any difficulty, please contact Sheryl Rushton (ISfTE Treasurer) at sherylrushton@weber.edu