January 2010 **Report of the Vice President—Publications** Deborah Lines Andersen Associate Professor of Information Studies and Informatics, College of Computing and Information, University at Albany, Albany, NY 12222 <u>dla@albany.edu</u> 518-442-5122

Please check the System Dynamics Society webpage for publications. (<u>http://www.systemdynamics.org/publications.htm</u>). Members are encouraged to browse this page for information on publications from the society. The major publications item for this report is the ongoing negotiation with Wiley-Blackwell for renewal of the journal contract. There will be an extended report on this topic summer 2010.

**A. Items of interest** are covered by the individuals listed below in their separate reports. Please see their individual reports in the Society's "Reports and Discussion" section at In lieu of URLs below, please find that email address for each person involved.

1) Report of the Publisher of the *System Dynamics Review*: Graham Russel <u>grussel@wiley.co.uk</u>

2) Report of the Editor of the *System Dynamics Review*: Brian Dangerfield <u>b.c.dangerfield@salford.ac.uk</u>

3) Web Repository for Models and Other Electronic Venues: Bob Eberlein <a href="https://bob@vensim.com">bob@vensim.com</a>

4) Newsletters and Additional Society publication venues: Roberta Spencer <u>sds@csc.albany.edu</u>. The newsletter is presently available through October 2009.

## **B. Major Project**

We are in the process of negotiating a new contract with Wiley-Blackwell for the System Dynamics Review. This is an ongoing discussion and will be an item for the winter 2010 policy council.

## **C.** Discussion topics in the last six months:

1. The new Wiley-Blackwell contract.

2. Changes in the format for the journal to allow for more articles/pages in each issue which will be implemented for volume 26(1).

3. ISSN use by chapters—decided that chapters need to apply for their own numbers.

## **D.** Other Projects

1. <u>Scanning the *Industrial Dynamics Newsletter*</u>. The original newsletter publication of the System Dynamics Group at MIT was the *Industrial Dynamics Newsletter*. The MIT Dewey Library (E53-100) has a bound volume of the *Industrial Dynamics Newsletter* in the stacks at HD28.I42. Although the volume is labeled for all 8 issues (number 1—1963 through number 8—1970) it is missing issues 3 and 5. We will need to locate these two

issues to have a complete run. The MIT Archives has additional copies. This project is on hold but should start up again during 2010.

# E. Additional Society publication venues include:

<u>SD Bibliography</u>: The System Dynamics Bibliography is updated every six months (lat update 1/4/2010), and is now open free of charge to individuals and libraries. (There are places where the Society's website will be updated to reflect that there is no charge or licensing fee for the bibliography.) There is a specific call on the Society's website for updates to the bibliography at <u>http://www.systemdynamics.org/biblioupdate.htm</u> As of July 1, 2006 the new bibliographer for the System Dynamics Society is Lauren Sinacore, a MSIS student in the Department of Information Studies at the University at Albany (<u>ls816576@albany.edu</u>). One of the projects for Lauren will be to clean up some of the entries for the bibliography where there is duplication or confusion about entries.

<u>SDS Archivist</u>: Karen Cannell, an Informatics PhD student at the University at Albany, started the process of organizing and cataloging the papers that have been housed in the Society's office in Albany. As of January 2009 the new archivist was Drew Peabody, an archivist with training at UAlbany.

<u>Membership Directory</u>: An online, password-protected resource for members at <u>http://web.memberclicks.com/mc/prelogin.do?hidOrgID=sds</u>

<u>Conference Proceedings</u> (1984 to present) and <u>Presidents' Addresses</u> (1983 to 2009 with several years missing) are also available online through the Society's website under "Conference Proceedings."

## F. General topics and changes for publications for this year are as follows:

1. <u>Indexing and Abstracting</u>: It is important to note the number of services that have picked up the *Review*. The *Review* is abstracted in Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, CC/Social & Behavioral Sciences, Computing Reviews, Geobase, Geographical Abstracts: Human Geography, Research Alert (ISI), and the Social Sciences Citation Index (ISI). These are an indicator of journal strength and visibility.

2. <u>Digitization of the pre-Wiley System Dynamics Review</u>. This has been accomplished through Wiley. Access is online with user name and password through the Wiley Interscience link on the Society's webpage. In our agreement with Wiley to create Wiley access to pre-Wiley issues we agreed to only sell issues to members of the society.

5. <u>New Conference Proceedings</u>. The conference proceedings continue to be published on the System Dynamics website (as of 2006) with a printable ISBN label for individuals to download. This is a change from the society publishing actual CDs for conferences.

6. <u>Web Repository for Models and Other Electronic Venues</u>: These items continue to be under the guidance of Bob Eberlein, the VP for Electronic Presence of the Society. See his report on the discussion board website.