



Elizabeth G. Loba, Ph. D.  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Office of the Provost

August 25, 2022

Dear Colleagues:

I write to ask you to serve on the Search Committee for the Dean of the SMU Lyle School of Engineering. The Search Committee will be comprised of representatives from members of the Lyle School's Executive Board, faculty, staff and undergraduate and graduate students. I am pleased to announce that Sam Holland, Dean of the Meadows School of the Arts, has agreed to serve as Chair of the committee.

The search for the Dean of the Lyle School of Engineering will be assisted by Greg Esposito, Partner of Isaacson, Miller. Greg focuses primarily on higher education leadership roles in public and private institutions, including presidents, provosts, vice presidents, deans, and directors. Since joining Isaacson, Miller in 2010, he has completed several university leadership searches, filling president, chancellor, provost, and a variety of dean roles. His work has included several dean searches for business schools, colleges of veterinary medicine, and schools of engineering.

Please contact Lauren Kelly at [laurenkelly@smu.edu](mailto:laurenkelly@smu.edu) by Monday, August 29, 2022, to let me know if you agree to serve on this important committee. Attached for review is the full list of invited committee members. At the first mandatory meeting of the committee, I will provide the charge to the members. A calendar invite with meeting logistics will follow.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth G. Loba, PhD  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Southern Methodist University  
<https://www.smu.edu/provost>



**World Changers Shaped Here**

**DEAN SEARCH COMMITTEE  
LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

**Sam Holland** (Chair)

Dean, Meadows School of the Arts

[sholland@mail.sm.edu](mailto:sholland@mail.sm.edu)

**Khaled Abdelghany**

Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering

**DEAN SEARCH COMMITTEE  
LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

**Art George**

Member, Lyle School of Engineering Executive Board      External Engagement Partner, The  
George Development Group  
[algeorgejr@gmail.com](mailto:algeorgejr@gmail.com)

**Kathy Hubbard**

Assistant Dean of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion  
[khubbard@lse.sm.edu](mailto:khubbard@lse.sm.edu)

**MinJun Kim**

Professor, Robert C. Womack Chair, Department of Mechanical Engineering  
[mjkim@lse.sm.edu](mailto:mjkim@lse.sm.edu)

**Eric Larson**

Associate Professor in Computer Science  
[eclarson@lse.sm.edu](mailto:eclarson@lse.sm.edu)

**Wally Rhines**

Member, Lyle School of Engineering Executive Board President and CEO, Cornami, Inc.  
[wallyrhines@gmail.com](mailto:wallyrhines@gmail.com)

**Richard Schulze**

Member, Lyle School of Engineering Executive Board  
Secretary - Treasurer, Ahena Group, Inc., Fonder, Trinity Constants, Inc.  
[r.schulz1933@gmail.com](mailto:r.schulz1933@gmail.com)

**Janille Smith-Colin**

Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering  
[jsmithcolin@mail.sm.edu](mailto:jsmithcolin@mail.sm.edu)

**DEAN SEARCH COMMITTEE  
LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

**Halit Uster**

Professor, Operations Research and Engineering Management

[uster@lje.sm.edu](mailto:uster@lje.sm.edu)

**Paula Voyles**

Assistant Vice President of School and Project Development, Development and External Affairs

[pvoyles@mail.sm.edu](mailto:pvoyles@mail.sm.edu)