Nick Brimley has been promoted to Marketing Director for the Slag Cement Association (SCA), a client of Advancing Organizational Excellence (AOE). Brimley has almost a decade of experience in the marketing field, including extensive knowledge in social media management, copywriting, external advertising, and event promotion. Before joining SCA, Brimley worked for ACI as a Program Manager, specializing in marketing and events. In his SCA role, Brimley is responsible for the management of all SCA activities including the operations, marketing, and technical work identified by the Board of Directors to help promote the use of slag cement. He received his BS in advertising from Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI, USA.

Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) has named Neeraj Buch, FACI, as the new Dean of Undergraduate Education and Associate Provost for Student Success. Buch joins RIT from Michigan State University (MSU) after two decades of experience in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, including roles as professor, director, department chair, and associate dean. Buch’s accomplishments as associate dean and department chair include using data-informed interventions to improve graduation rates, enhancing support for first-generation students, establishing a first-year engineering program that integrates academics with professional and personal development, and leading academic student services for a college with 6000 undergraduates.

While at MSU, Buch served on many university-level committees related to student success including the Student Success Committee, the Enrollment Management Group, the University Honors College Committee, and the Teaching Effectiveness for Faculty Committee. He has also served as a mentor and advisor to individual students and student organizations, including the American Society of Civil Engineers student chapter, the American Society of Civil Engineers concrete canoe team, and the Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Honor Society. In addition, he is a member of various ACI committees.

The International Grooving & Grinding Association (IGGA) has announced the hiring of Nicholas R. Davis as Director of Technical Services. In the newly created position, Davis will join IGGA Executive Director John Roberts in pursuing the association’s goals through the development and implementation of educational and promotional initiatives while providing technical resources and engineering guidance to contracting agencies, consultants, and industry partners.

Prior to joining the IGGA, Davis gained 6 years of experience as an Assistant Engineer at the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), where he authored specifications and reports, managed a certification program for testing agencies that perform ride quality testing, and managed specification and data collection for the first performance engineered mixture project in New York State, among other accomplishments. He participates in the Road Profile User Group (RPUG) and National Concrete Consortium (NCC), and was recently selected to be the NCC state representative for the Northeast region. Davis’s previous experience includes civil engineering support roles with the City of Troy in Troy, NY, USA, and the Absolute Fire Protection company in Selkirk, NY.

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine announced that Victoria Sheehan will join the organization as the new Executive Director of the Transportation Research Board (TRB). Sheehan comes to the National Academies from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT), which she has led as its Commissioner for the past 7 years. Responsible for an operating budget of over $650 million, she oversees a staff of more than 1600 employees representing diverse areas such as aeronautics, rail, transit, construction, operations, finance, and administration. Her team led the development of New Hampshire’s Ten-Year Transportation Plan, and Sheehan worked directly with the governor, general court, and executive council to ensure it would address the state’s growing needs.

Before joining the New Hampshire DOT, Sheehan spent 10 years at the Massachusetts DOT leading strategic planning and highway performance, managing the bridge consulting program, and overseeing an 8-year, $3 billion Accelerated Bridge Program. Sheehan served as President of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) for 2020-2021 and has been an active board member in a range of other professional organizations. She received her master’s degree in structural engineering and architecture from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.