SIGCSE Board 2022-2025
Meeting Time: 2024-05-22 @ 9:00am NZDT
Meeting Location: online

Attendees:

Alison Clear, Chair
Brett A. Becker, Vice Chair
Jill Denner, Treasurer
Dan Garcia, Secretary
Rodrigo Duran, At Large Member
Yolanda A. Rankin, At Large Member
Judy Sheard, At Large Member

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes 2024-04-24 approved

Activity since the last meeting

- Steering Committee call for volunteers for one position for ITiCSE, CompEd, and ICER sent to the membership, closes May 26.
  - **Action**: Judy to send reminder

Matters from Previous Meeting

- Open Access
  - **Action**: Rodrigo to write blurb for bulletin, ACM's Scott Delman to put one-pager together
- Awards
  - **Action**: Brett to send out call for nominations June 1, due Sep 1

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer presented monthly update
- ITiCSE 2023 finances finalized
- CompEd 2023 almost finalized

DEIA Updates (Everyone)

- Internal audit of our DEIA pledged activities (from 2023-02-11 email to community) that are still active

  - "Investigate the establishment of a process so people can confidentially and safely share any concern about SIGCSE activities in a neutral space with someone external to the community, and explore their options"

- ■ **Action**: Continue to investigate establishment of a CARES committee. Board has obtained a document from ACM CEO Vicki Hanson to guide SIGs interested in setting up a CARES committee. Will discuss in June.
- ○ "Review of submissions to the Virtual Suggestion box and decisions made about any actions to be taken" https://tinyurl.com/SIGCSE-board-suggestion-box
  - ■ **Action:** Checking monthly; to date no suggestions submitted. Remind the community of this method of communication.
- ○ "Commit to continually educating ourselves about our own biases and knowledge gaps through reading, participating in professional development and discussions, and listening sessions"
  - ■ **Action:** Continue to do this individually.
- ○ "Host regular listening sessions to solicit input and allow the community to share DEIA concerns"
  - ■ **Action:** SIGCSE Chair attends every conference and provides time for attendee to connect with her
- ○ "Direct conference steering committees to conduct a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) analysis of any efforts and initiatives they are implementing to create safe and inclusive environments for all attendees and report findings to the Board."
  - ■ **Action**: Data collection completed; Yolanda to share analysis and results at the next meeting
- ○ "Share participation demographics for each SIGCSE-sponsored conference or event with the community"
  - ■ ACM has provided very limited data, this is difficult
- ○ "Reach out to the individuals or groups that have provided input and/or written calls to action with an invitation to engage in problem-solving and discussion"
  - ■ **Action**: This was done and is continuing when we receive feedback
- ○ "Identify and implement strategies to minimize bias and increase diversity in all volunteer positions (e.g. conference leadership, committees, reviewers, the SIGCSE Board) and invited speakers"
  - ■ Discussion of criteria used to determine whether to approve renewals of terms
  - ■ **Action**: With a DEIA chair now at each conference, perhaps have all DEIA chairs connect to share best practices
  - ■ **Action**: Continue to document what each volunteer role involves, and how rewarding the role is
  - ■ **Action**: Recommend to the next Board that they continue the work

Publications

- Charles Wallace approved for a second term of three years (June 2024 - June 2027) as Bulletin Editor

6Technical Symposium (TS) Business (Liaison: Adrienne)

- Sarah Heckman approved to renew term on TS SC

(Jill left, and Yolanda joined the meeting)

ITiCSE Business (Liaison: Brett)

- Brief discussion of ITiCSE 2026 site proposal
    - **Action**: Brett to send out side visit report, Board to discuss in June

ICER Business (Liaison: Judy)

- Call for Steering Committee member sent, closes on 26 May

CompEd Business (Liaison: Dan)

- **Motion**: "Continue CompEd conference every two years from 2025" was passed

RESPECT (Liaison: Yolanda)

- General chairs felt conference was a success, 160+ attendees, supports community doing BPC research in Computing and Engineering
- General feeling from attendees: excellent conference, keynote, well-attended, very good papers
- Everyone got a copy of Bettina Love's book "Punished for Dreaming: How School Reform Harms Black Children and How We Heal" – the author attended and did book signing!
- Proceedings are in ACM Digital Library (DL)
- Co-located with Expanding Computing Education Pathways (ECEP), so healthy number of K-12 teachers attended; want to continue with similar activities that bring K-12 teachers in to future conferences
- Discussion of broadening scope (e.g., not just US data sets) and participation internationally
    - **Action**: Steering committee (SC) liaisons to have other SIGCSE conferences mention RESPECT and encourage participation
    - **Action**: Alison and Yolanda to discuss with RESPECT SC

Virtual (Liaison: Rodrigo)

- 138 paper abstracts were collected within a few hours of the deadline
  - Research category: 62
  - Experience Report: 51
  - Position and Curricula: 24
  - Distribution: 74% from US, 10% UK, 9% NZ

DCSC (Liaison: Rodrigo)

- Steering Committee has prepared drafts of documents on "How to become a…"
  - DCSC member
  - DC Chair
  - Discussant
- They are drafting a call for expression of interest
- **Action**: One more round with SC before issuing the call