SIGCSE Board 2022-2025

Meeting Time: 2025-03-27 @ 10:00 NZDT Meeting Location: online

Attendees:

Alison Clear, Chair
Rodrigo Duran, Vice Chair
Jill Denner, Treasurer
Dan Garcia, Secretary
Yolanda A. Rankin, At Large Member
Judy Sheard, At Large Member
Adrienne Decker, Past Chair
Barbara Owens, Seconded At Large Member

Approval of Minutes

Minutes 2025-02-26 approved

Activity since the last meeting

- Rodrigo will be attending the upcoming SIG Governing Board Meeting (SGB)
- Bob Edmison (Virginia Tech, USA) and Yesenia Velasco (Duke University, USA) have been appointed as Information Directors (terms ending June 2028)
- The Board held "office hours" all three days at the Technical Symposium, and members from the community stopped by to chat each day

Awards

- The SIGCSE 2025 Awards are now almost all finalised
 - The Test of Time award will be presented at ICER
- The SIGCSE Early Career Research Award proposal was submitted to the SGB Awards Committee for review. After any questions that emerge are resolved, it will be passed to the ACM Awards Committee for approval
- Action: To address concerns about spotty Test of Time paper nominations, recommend
 to the new Board that a standby committee be "on call", and work to identify and submit
 at least one paper nomination if there are no submissions a month before the deadline
- Action: Judy and Dan will remind the community to submit awards by the deadline

Task Forces

Action: Dan to model the new "Creating a Task Force" page on the "Creating a Committee" page, making clear the distinctions between the two

Special Projects

- Action: Yolanda will send emails 4 weeks and 2 weeks in advance of the upcoming May 15th deadline to the SIGCSE LISTSERVs to encourage members to submit applications. The committee plans to review all applications and provide notifications of decisions by the end of June
- Action: To recognize the good work of the special projects volunteers, Yollanda will
 share with them a note of appreciation from the Board, and endeavor to write a piece for
 the Bulletin

Structure of the SIGCSE Board

- Action: The Board to consider what additional Board roles are needed to address the increased workload, and add these to the letter for the next Board
 - o E.g., someone to oversee membership
 - E.g., someone to oversee committees and task forces

Conference & DC Business

Virtual (Liaison: Rodrigo)

- Steering Committee will be sending out a call for the two roles needed:
 - 6-year term for "Conference co-Chairs 2028"
 - o 4-year term for "Conference co-Chair 2026" to join James McGuffee

Technical Symposium (TS) Business (Liaison: Adrienne)

- Kids Camp at TS 2025 served 8 children, and cost \$13K
 - Action: recommend to the new board that they look at this, make sure our community is aware of the service (especially at the time of call-for-participation), and perhaps explore other models (e.g., providing a stipend) to support parents
- The TS steering committee (SC) has selected a contract for meeting management from the proposals received. They wish to continue with dLPlan for the next three conferences (2026, 2027, 2028) because of their exemplary service. From the budgetary perspective, the dLPlan bid was the lowest bid of the three.
 - o Motion: to endorse the TS SC recommendation passes
 - Action: Adrienne to codify (in the operating procedures of the SC) that Board endorsement for meeting management selection is needed

ITiCSE Business (Liaison: Judy)

ITiCSE 2025

- o 354 papers submitted, 99 accepted for a 28% acceptance rate
- Paper submissions, acceptances, and acceptance rates for the last 5 years:

Year	Location	#Submitted	#Accepted	%Accepted
2025	Nijmegen	354	99	28%
2024	Milan	398	107	27%
2023	Turku	299	80	27%
2022	Dublin	276	79	29%
2021	Paderborn	275	84	31%

- 9 Working Groups, strong interest from community (~150 applied)
 - Two rounds, some who didn't get a place in the first round got a place in the second
- Working Group Travel Grants
 - Selection panel: Judy, Rodrigo, Barbara
 - 18 applications (16 before the deadline)
 - 7 from USA, 4 from Australia, 3 from UK, 1 each from Canada, Germany, India, and Nigeria
 - Of the remaining 16 applicants, 6 were awarded grants, spread over 4 WGs:

Katrin Kunz	Germany	WG1 Paradigms, Methods and Outcomes, oh my!: Refining and Evolving a research knowledge development activity for computer science	
Olga Petrovska	UK	WG2 Refactoring computing courses to leverage AI	
Annapurna Vadaparty	USA	WG2 Refactoring computing courses to leverage AI	
Ruchi Sembey	Australia	WG4 Exploring effective early research for broadening participation in computing science	
Giulia Alberini	Canada	WG4 Exploring effective early research for broadening participation in computing science	
Solomon Sunday Oyelere	UK	WG8 Ethical and societal impacts of generative AI in higher computing education: An ACM Task Force working group to develop a landscape analysis	

- Regarding the survey on conference format (N=155 responses) for dealing with the increasing number of paper submissions, here are the preferences from the community, sorted from most to least popular:
 - o more parallel tracks
 - extend by one day
 - shorter presentation time
 - o move/remove excursion
 - limit accepted papers
- This year there were fewer paper submissions and acceptances so the pressure is off a bit

RESPECT Business (Liaison: Yolanda)

- Alison approved the request to choose Whova as the conference app
- The Technical Meeting Request Form (TMRF) is in progress
- The Board was updated that cost savings for attendees were the reason for the location change

ICER Business (Liaison: Judy)

- Action: Advertise for new European member of ICER steering committee
- Upcoming posting to SIGCSE-ANNOUNCE: New (2026) chairs, request for bids for hosting ICER 2027, and soliciting interest for future years
- Action: Joint RESPECT+ICER SC meeting to be arranged to discuss possible co-location of ICER 2027 and RESPECT 2027

CompEd Business (Liaison: Dan)

- Paper and Working Group (WG) deadline this past Monday
 - ~167 abstracts, 500 reviewers, 15 panel submissions so far (doesn't close until next Monday), 10 WG submissions – all from 42 different countries
- Action: Judy to connect with CompEd about Travel Grants for WGs

Doctoral Consortium Steering Committee (DCSC) (Liaison: Rodrigo)

- Nick Falkner will serve as the chair of the DCSC
- Rodrigo will serve as the secretary until the new Board is elected
- Action: We will send the call for new chairs and discussants this month
- Michael Kolling was approved as the junior chair of the CompEd DC (Susan Rodger is the senior chair)
- The following discussants were approved for the ICER DC:
 - Aman Yadav, Michigan State University, USA
 - o Calkin Suero Montero, Uppsala University, Sweden
 - Jennie Chiu, University of Virginia, USA
 - Mark Guzdial, University of Michigan, USA

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