

# Minutes of May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## SIGCSE Board Conference Call Meeting

Participants are Doug Baldwin, John Impagliazzo, Dan Joyce, Renée McCauley, Barbara Boucher Owens (chair), Henry Walker, and Alison Young.

- The minutes of the March 10, 2010 meeting, which had been distributed in mid March and slightly amended after email discussions, were accepted, and will be posted on the SIGCSE web site at sigcse.org.

*Action: Dan*

- Unfinished business from Symposium Meeting

- The SIGCSE Chapters initiative needs someone to proactively encourage new chapters and to help potential chapters through the required paperwork. Since Chapters are a Board-initiated project we believe finding such a person (or persons) should be a high priority for the next Board.

*Action: Next Board*

- We sometimes get requests from people who have CS related books or magazines that they wish to donate to a "worthy recipient". SIGCSE might consider facilitating such donations, perhaps by finding a volunteer to find potential recipients and to coordinate between donors and recipients.

*Action: Next Board*

- CSTA received a suggestion that they create a national (international?) repository of scholarships that are specifically for students in computing-related majors. They forwarded the request to us, along with the suggestion that maybe this is something we could work on together, i.e. SIGCSE and CSTA. The Board believes this is a worthy idea, one worth pursuing if possible. As with the previous two bullet points, we believe the best approach is to find a volunteer from within the organization who might take ownership of such a project.

*Action: Next Board*

- Someone had raised the question of having a SIGCSE Exhibit booth at the SIGCSE Symposium. After some discussion we agreed that such a booth is not really necessary ... "the entire Symposium is a SIGCSE booth".

- SIGAda has offered to provide us a booth at their conference in exchange for a booth at the SIGCSE Symposium. We discussed the idea and decided to thank SIGAda for their offer but to decline. Barb will write to them.

*Action: Barb*

- SIGCSE Committee on Music and CS – After some discussion we approved the creation of this committee. Barb will write to the committee proposers sending them our congratulations and thanks for a great proposal. One concern that was raised during discussion, which Barb will communicate in her letter, is that the committee plan on

periodically producing an artifact to share their work with the community – could be a report posted to the SIGCSE web site, a conference paper, a poster, etc.

*Action: Barb*

- Dan reported on progress with the new SIGCSE web site. Once the SIGCSE logo is incorporated into the front page, and after Board approval of said incorporation, Dan can proceed with making the new site public.

*Action: Dan*

- Providing Symposium Attendee Lists to Exhibitors – We discussed this issue in light of recent posts on SIGCSE mailing lists and discussions at the post-Symposium SIGCSE Business Meeting. Moving forward, the CONNECT project as associated with SIGCSE will use an opt-in approach. For the time being we approve an Opt-Out list approach for the list provided to exhibitors that allows them limited contact with attendees. We suggest that the next SIGCSE Board investigate the legal ramifications of including such an Opt-Out list on the Symposium registration. In particular, what are our obligations to registrants from countries where such opt-out lists are "illegal"?

*Action: Next Board*

- The SIGCSE Listserv monitors have proposed a plan for "purging" the listservs and bringing them up-to-date. We approved those plans and will ask them to proceed. As part of their project we suggest they consider using the SIGCSE Newsletter to communicate with members. Barb will contact Ingrid to inform her of these plans. Henry and Ingrid will contact William and Frank and encourage them to move ahead.

*Action: Henry and Ingrid*

- History Committee – Barb has been in touch with Elliot Kaufman, Nell Dale, and Bob Aiken about archiving the material they created for the SIGCSE History celebration at the 2009 Symposium. Henry has also had some involvement with conserving SIGCSE History and he and Dan, as acting Webmaster, will work with Elliot, Nell and Bob to see about the archive possibilities.

*Action: Henry and Dan*

- SIGCSE Corner Position – The Board is delighted to approve the appointment of Curt White to the position of SIGCSE Corner Editor. SIGCSE Corner will appear in the new ACM Magazine Inroads. It is expected to be about 3 to 5 pages per issue and to include content specific to SIGCSE. It is noted that the SIGCSE Corner should not just be a repeat of what appears in the SIGCSE Newsletter although in special circumstances there may be some overlap. Barb will inform Curt of the Board's decision and put him in touch with the appropriate contacts.

*Action: Barb*

- Publication of ITiCSE Working Group Papers – With the advent of the new Inroads there was no longer an appropriate vehicle for publication of all the ITiCSE Working Group papers. Alison suggests that the papers be published as supplement to the ITiCSE Proceedings, to be provided on CD and bundled with an issue of Inroads, most likely the December issue. The Board approves this approach. It is further noted that one or two of the "best" Working Group reports may appear in Inroads as reprints each year.

- Department Chair's Workshop – Barb reported that although the 2010 Pre-Symposium Department Chair's Workshop did not draw a large audience (it had 6 attendees?) it was very well received. The coordinators have requested another chance to run the workshop and have plans to increase participation through more publicity and "beating the bushes". The Board approved the Workshop to run again at SIGCSE 2011.
- New Faculty Workshop – Barb reported that the 2010 Pre-Symposium New Faculty Workshop was considered a great success by all involved. Participants are happy to have made contacts with faculty members in similar situations as their own – and in fact have started a Facebook Group to help stay in touch with each other. The Board approved the Workshop to run again at SIGCSE 2011.

That wraps up the last meeting of this Board. Board members gave Barb Owens, outgoing chair, a round of applause for a job well done. Barb also thanked Henry Walker, previous chair, for all of his help and support during her tenure as chair, and expressed her appreciation for the Board as a whole.

**End of Minutes, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 SIGCSE Board Conference Call - Dan Joyce - Secretary**