

# MINUTES SIGCSE Business Meeting

March 1, 2019

5:10 pm – 6:00

**The 2016-2019 Board was introduced.**

## Treasurer's Report

- FY2018 – due to ACM accounting practices, two technical symposia appear in the FY2018 budget
- FY2019 – due to ACM accounting practices, no technical symposium appears in the FY2019 budget. As a consequence, the budget shows a deficit in FY2019. However, this is only an artifact of the ACM accounting practices.
- Overall, there is a healthy fund balance
- All conferences are financially sound
- Fifty people received Symposium Travel Grants in honor of the SIGCSE 50th anniversary
- Membership is up and retention of members is solid

## Special Projects Grants Report

- 3 awards totaling \$12,581 were made in May, 2018
- 4 awards totaling \$20,000 were made in November, 2018
- The May 2019 round of applications will feature a special theme, SIGCSE: 50 Years and Beyond, in honor of the SIG's 50th anniversary.

## Speakers Fund

- SIGCSE funded speakers to present at the WCCCE-2018: Western Canadian Conference on Computing Education and the CCSC-Central Plains Conference.

**The ACM's Anti-Harassment Policy was reviewed.**

## Conference Overviews

- Technical Symposium (SIGCSE)
  - The 50th Symposium was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
  - All 49 previous SIGCSE Symposium proceedings were made publicly available by the ACM to the world via the ACM Digital Library until one week after the 2019 symposium.
  - The 50th anniversary committee were thanked for their hard work.
  - The 2020 Symposium will be held in Portland, Oregon.
  - The Symposium Chair and Program Chair roles were separated. Program chairs will now serve for two years and will not automatically become Symposium Chairs. Symposium Chairs will serve for two years and need not serve as Program Chairs.
  - Lynn Degler was thanked for her 20 years of service on the Technical Symposium registration team.
- ACM Global Computing Education Conference (CompEd)
  - The CompEd conference will be held for the first time in Chengdu, China, May 17th - 19th. The conference is co-located with TURC 2019 and includes admission to the three Turing award keynotes.
- ACM Conference on Innovation and Technology in Computer Science Education (ITiCSE)
  - ITiCSE 2019 will be held in Aberdeen, Scotland, July 12th - July 17th.

- A doctoral consortium will be held in conjunction with ITiCSE in 2019.
- ITiCSE 2020 will be held in Trondheim, Norway
- Representatives from Informatics Europe and ACM Europe now serve on the ITiCSE Steering Committee.
- Mikey Goldweber was thanked for his many years of service.
- International Computing Education Research Conference (ICER)
  - ICER will be held on August 12-14, in Toronto, Canada.
  - A doctoral consortium and a works in progress workshop will be held in conjunction with the conference.
  - The roles of program and site chairs have been separated.
  - In 2020, ICER will be held in Dunedin, New Zealand from August 11 – 13.

### **Introduction of New Volunteers**

- Haris Skiadas will serve as SIGCSE-members and SIGCSE-announce listserv moderator
- William Turner was thanked for his many years of service as listserv moderator.
- Jeffrey Miller will serve as the SIGCSE Bulletin co-editor.
- The new ACM Inroads editors are Margaret Hamilton and James Harland.
- The 2019/2020 Doctoral Consortium co-chair will be Katrina Falkner
- 2019 Chairs Roundtable co-leaders, Mary Lou Maher and Ran Libeskind-Hadas, were thanked for their service.
- Daniel Toll and Dave Musicant have joined the Special Projects review team.
- Rachelle Hippler will join the Symposium registration team beginning in 2020
- On behalf of SIGCSE, Manuel Pérez Quiñones is serving on a committee to rewrite the intrusive demographic questions now required by ACM
- Briana Morrison was thanked for her the 50 historical blog entries she compiled this year. She has been appointed as the SIGCSE historian.

### **2019 In-cooperation With Conferences**

- Australian Computing Education Conference (ACE)
- Computing Education Practice (CEP) Conference
- CCSC-CP, CCSC-MS, CCSC-NE, CCSC-SC, CCSC-SW
- Western Canadian Conference on Computing Education (WCCCE)

### **Support for Other Organizations**

- SIGCSE financially supported the 2018 and 2019 CRA-W Grad Cohort events for female computer science graduate students
- SIGCSE was an exhibitor at the 2018 and 2019 CSTA conferences
- SIGCSE showed its commitment to CSForAll by
  - Creating discount registrations for all SIGCSE conferences for K-12 educators
  - Establishing 50 travel grants to the 2019 Technical Symposium for first time attendees, for which K-12 educators could apply

### **Slate**

- The 2019 Board slate was presented. Ballots will be sent by ACM and the election will take place in April and May.

### **Comments and Questions from Attendees**

- There was a request to allow entire conference proceedings to be downloaded from the ACM Digital Library rather than limiting downloads to one paper at a time.
- A concern was expressed about marginalizing community college and K12 attendees. There was a request to create a conference roadmap for K12 and community college attendees. The ACM has 2-year/Community College committee and the exhibitor booth has a roadmap. The attendee suggested color coding the sessions or putting a K12/community college roadmap in program.
- There is always some confusion between the Technical Symposium (commonly called SIGCSE) and the SIG itself. Can the Technical Symposium be rebranded?
- Are we open to an in-cooperation agreement with SIAM or other computing related conferences?
- Would it be possible to film the Symposium sessions? Or add a day to the conference?