CCSC-NW Board Meeting

Date: Saturday 5/19/2001
Location: SPU
Attending: Rob Bryant, Gonzaga U.
        George Hauser, PLU, Secretary
        Ken Blaha, PLU
        David Wolff, PLU
        Philip Prins, Seattle U.

Rob brought the group reluctantly to order and started us working through the agenda he had sent out via email. The agenda items will be used to organize these minutes.

1. Report of the 2001 conference status.
    1. KB reported that there were 19 papers submitted and 12 accepted.
    2. GH reported that there were 5 Panel/Tutorial submissions; we created two on the fly for a total of 7; all were accepted.
    3. DW reported on the site preparations. All is going ahead well.
2. Facilities tour for the 2002 conference.
    PP took some of the group on a tour before the formal beginning of the meeting.
3. Regional Board organizational status.
    We discussed the organization. The results ended up in the Bylaws document. The major point of discussion was on how many of the conference and site chairs to include.
4. Mailing lists upgrade project status.
    BW was not present so nothing significant was accomplished. There was a lot of complaining about flaws in the current lists. DW and GH reported a large number of mailing list address failures in the first mailing for the fall conference; only about 300 of the 800 addresses succeeded in being certified by the bulk mailer.
5. New business.
    1. Regional Board Bylaws document.
        We went through the draft and made only minor editorial changes.
    2. Call for papers/participation reformatting.
        We discussed the use of bifold instead of trifold mailings. We liked it.
    3. 2003 site.
        Desperately seeking same.
    4. Student poster contest.
        BW's idea and enthusiastically endorsed. The idea is to have students (with a faculty advisor) present posters at the conference. Conference participants will vote on best in show and the result will be announced at the banquet. To vote, each participant will be given a set of colored stick-on dots; the poster with the most dots wins. We will start doing it in the 2001 conference.
    5. Student programming contest.
        We thought this would be a fun idea but that it will be tried at the soonest in the 2002 conference. We would use the ACM Scholastic Programming Contest as the model.