

CONSORTIUM FOR COMPUTING SCIENCES IN COLLEGES (CCSC)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

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Meeting ID: 964 3979 1438 Passcode: 472172

Friday March 19, 2021

6:00 PM Eastern

AGENDA

1. Welcome

President Karina Assiter called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m, and briefly welcomed everyone present to the Zoom meeting. There were 24 members in attendance.

2. Minutes of Spring 2021 Annual Business Meeting, posted at:

<http://www.ccsc.org/wp-content/uploads/Spring2020AnnualBusinessMeetingMinutes.pdf>

3. Introduction of Regional Representatives

Eastern Region – Mike Flinn (Frostburg State University) – Recently took over as regional representative after John Wright held the post for the previous six years. The next conference will be held on October 22-23 at Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia. We hope it can be held in person, with the possibility of having some attendees attend virtually. There will be a programming contest for about 20 teams. Recently, even a high school team won. Conference organizers are also considering having a “capture the flag” contest as well. Maryland is a major national hub for IT security firms, as well as Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Midwest Region – Grace Mirsky (Benedictine University) – Also remarked that she recently took over as regional representative, having succeeded Cathy Bareiss. The next conference will be held during the first weekend in October at Ivy Tech Community College in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Hopefully, the conference will be held in person. The conference will include a programming contest and an industry panel geared towards students.

Southeastern Region – Kevin Treu (Furman University) – The next conference will again be held in January, since the January date worked well for 2020-21. The conference will be held in person at Bob Jones University on January 28-29. The paper submission deadline is in late July.

Rocky Mountain Region – Mohamed Lotfy (Utah Valley University) – The next conference will be on October 15-16. It will be held virtually only. The conference was virtual last year, and it was well attended. People loved the format of the online conference. This is the thirtieth year of the region, so

we are planning a nice gift for the attendees. There will be a student competition, and maybe a security contest as well.

South Central Region – Tina Johnson (Midwestern State University) – The next conference will be held in a virtual format on April 3.

Northwestern Region – Shereen Khoja (Pacific University) – The next conference is tentatively planned for October 8-9. It will be held at St. Martin's University in Lacey, Washington. Sessions will include faculty posters and lightning talks. The conference committee wants to offer a hybrid approach for the same registration price.

Northeastern Region – Larry D'Antonio (Ramapo College of N.J.) – The conference will be held virtually only on April 16-17. We are not planning a programming contest, as this was not a popular plan this year. But there will be a student poster contest. We had originally thought to condense the conference to a single day, but it turns out we will have enough activity to spread over two days. Of course, there will be no banquet. But next year, we hope to have a physical conference at Pace University in Westchester County.

Central Plains Region – Judy Mullins (University of Missouri – Kansas City) – Our conference will be held virtually, hosted by UMKC, on April 9-10. Paper presentations will be given on Friday. The programming contest and posters will take place on Saturday. Voting for regional officers will take place.

Southwestern Region – Bryan Dixon (California State University – Chico) – The next conference will be held virtually only on March 26-27. Gather . town allows virtual attendees to create 8-bit digital representations of themselves.

4. Membership Secretary Report

Cathy Bareiss reported on attendance figures for conferences during the last 12 months, and outlined possible reasons for regional variation and year-to-year fluctuation.

5. Treasurer's Report

Brian Hare reported that CCSC's overall finances are very good. Because of COVID, our current expenses are near zero. As a result, we have excellent cash reserves.

6. Publications Chair Report

7. National Partners Chair Report and Introduction of National Vendor Representatives

8. Nominating Committee Report and Election procedures for Spring 2021 Elections.

Chris Healy gave the report. The committee wished to nominate the following individuals for their respective positions. All are incumbents.

- Publication chair: Baochuan Lu

- Northwest Regional Representative: Shereen Khoja
- South Central Regional Representative: Tina Johnson

Bareiss moved to close nominations. Lotfy seconded the motion. The motion to passed 23-1. Healy mentioned that the elections would be held online during May, as usual.

9. The Board of Directors recommends that the CCSC Annual Business meeting for Spring 2022 be held in conjunction with SIGCSE 2022 in Providence Rhode Island on Friday, March 5th, 2022.

Since this motion came from the board, no second was required. The motion passed 24-0.

10. 2021 Distinguished Service Award Presentation.

President Assiter read the citation honoring John Wright of Juniata College. But John is not receiving the physical award yet. It will be sent to Mike Flinn, who will then bestow it at the Eastern region conference this fall. John Wright was invited to speak. He credited Liz Adams for getting him involved in CCSC. He said it was important to recognize that that everyone here is a volunteer.

Kevin Treu said that nominations for next year's award are now open. Please send your nomination letter either to him directly or to Karina Assiter.

11. New Business from membership.

There was no new business from the membership at large. Two officers made announcements.

Grace Mirsky, our Midwest representative, mentioned plans for a national programming contest. It would invite the top teams from each region. It is to be an annual competition to begin next year, late in the spring. Currently we are looking for sponsors for prize money. Volunteers are welcome to plan the contest. Healy asked what the cutoff would be to qualify for this contest. Mirsky replied that the current plan is to invite the top three from each region, but this has not been formally decided yet.

Cathy Bareiss, the membership secretary, spoke next. In May there will be a "Mega" conference committee meeting. It will be a way to share ideas with people outside of your region. If this goes well, it can become a regularly scheduled event. Please e-mail Cathy directly if you are a regional conference committee member and you did not receive an invitation.

12. Adjourn

Healy moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Assiter and Bareiss. The vote was 24-0 in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.