CCSC Fall 2023 Board Meeting

The Davenport Grand, Autograph Collection
Meeting Room 2
333 West Spokane Falls Boulevard Spokane Washington 99201 USA

Thursday, October 12, 2023
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm (Pacific Daylight Time)

Virtual Meeting Link
Zoom: https://betheluniversity-edu.zoom.us/j/81660636427?pwd=nQ1LC2XTk9gWRakYCi9x7dDzTTeyXp.1

1 Opening and Approval of the Agenda

In Attendance:
- Michael Shindler
- Judy Mullins
- Michael Flinn
- Dave Largent
- Kevin Treu
- Cathy Bareiss
- George Dimitoglou
- Tina Johnson
- Karina Assiter
- Brian Hare
- Baochuan Lu
- Shereen Khoja
- Mohamed Lotfy
- David Naugler
- Bryan Dixon
- Scott Sigman
- Mark Bailey

Motion passed to approve agenda

2 Welcome

New Members
Michael Shindler – Southwestern Representative

Re-elected Members
    Judy Mullins – Central Plains Representative
    Michael Flinn – Eastern Representative
    Dave Largent – Midwest Representative

Members with New Responsibilities
    Bryan Dixon - Vice President/President-Elect
    Ed Lindoo – Treasurer
    Brian Hare – Associate Treasurer

3 Future Board Meetings

3.1 Spring 2024 Meeting
The Spring 2024 Board of Directors meeting and the CCSC Annual Business Meeting will be in conjunction with the SIGCSE Technical Symposium 2024 in Portland Oregon. The Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, March 20 from 7 pm until 11 pm. The audit committee will meet during the same period on March 20. The CCSC Annual Meeting of the Membership will be held on Friday, March 22. Rooms for these meetings have not yet been determined.

3.2 Fall 2024 Meetings
We normally follow a sequence of meetings at the fall conference in this order: SE, RM, MW, EA, NW. However, since 2020 we have been out of sequence in our meetings. In 2021 the board met at the Midwestern Conference. In 2022 the board met at the Southeastern Conference. In 2023 the board is meeting at the Northwestern Conference. How do we fairly sequence the fall conferences the board will meet at from 2023 onward?

Action Item: Approve a sequence of fall conferences at which the board will meet.

RM, EA, MW, SE, NW is approved as the new sequence going forward

Action Item: Approve the location of the Fall 2024 board meeting.

Motion by Cathy for RM in Fall 2024 is approved.

4 Elections & Appointments

4.1 Nominating Committee
Two regional representatives are needed to serve on the Nominating Committee, which will be chaired by the Vice President, Bryan Dixon.

Positions elected in the Spring of 2024:

- Vice President/President Elect
- Publication Chair
- Northwestern Representative
- South Central Representative
- Southeastern Representative

Action Item: Appoint two regional representatives, whose term does not expire in 2024 to the Nominating Committee for the 2024 Spring Elections.
Judy Mullins, Mohamed Lotfy were appointed by Scott Sigman

4.2 Finance Committee

The Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Consortium appointed by the Treasurer. The committee is chaired by the Treasurer and is charged with submitting a budget for the next fiscal year (see Article IX, Standing Rule 3 for a list of duties).

Action Item: Announce the Treasurer's appointment of a Finance Committee.

Brian Hare and George Dimioglou volunteered

4.3 Audit Committee

The Audit Committee members are the Comptroller, and two other CCSC members appointed by the President. Duties of the committee are detailed in Article IX, Standing Rule 5.

Action Item: Appoint members of the Audit Committee.

George will solicit members for approval by the Spring Board Meeting to be approved via email.

4.4 Service Recognition Committee

Members of the Service Recognition Committee for 2024 are:

1. Kevin Treu (chair, term expiring)
2. Mohamed Lotfy (2 year remaining)
3. Amos Gichamba (3 years remaining)

One member of this committee must be a CCSC member who is not serving on the board.

Action Item: Amos Gichamba has been appointed to a three-year term on the Service Recognition Committee.

Note: Article IX, Standing Rule 6 has not been updated to reflect prior board action. The membership requirements of this rule were changed during my last term on the board between 2012 and 2016.

Action Item: Form a committee to search the archive of board minutes to determine the correct wording of this standing rule.

Kevin has volunteered to track down the minutes to make sure the bylaws are updated to reflect changes previously approved.

5 Reports

Reporting procedure.

- Board members are requested to report verbally only on additions to their written report.

- New action items arising from reports will be deferred to New Business.

- Please read other reports ahead of time and do not read your own report to us during the meeting.

5.1 Reports of the CCSC Officers

5.1.1 Report of the President (Scott Sigman)

In September, we took a significant step toward putting the controversy of the past year behind us by passing a DEI statement and adding it to our standing rules. The statement makes clear CCSC welcomes all regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, creed, gender identity, or sexual orientation. It is a clear statement of the importance of how our values for diversity, equality, and inclusiveness inform our work as we seek to fulfill our mission. On behalf of CCSC I would like to thank Shereen Khoja for her leadership in the creation of the statement and committee members Bryan Dixon, Judy Mullins, Kevin Treu, and Jeff Lehman for their work creating the statement.

Turning to the board meeting at hand, there are several pressing matters which are addressed in the agenda and other reports. A range of discussions between the National Partners Chair, the Vice President and I have addressed the question of lack of participation in our National Partners program. (As I write we only have two National Partners signed up for this year.) We discussed what benefits the program should provide partners in the National Partner's program with a representative of GitHub. Likewise, we discussed NSF participation in the program with the PI's of the grant that allowed past NSF participation. I will leave details of these discussions to the National Partners Chair's report. Suffice it to say, we must find ways to allow National Partners communicate with our membership if we expect them to continue to support CCSC activities.

Another issue we must deal with during the board meeting is the status of the Midsouth region. Currently there are only a handful of CCSC members who have elected the region as their home region. During our meeting in Toronto, we held a preliminary discussion of this issue and postponed

further consideration to a future board meeting. We do not have to solve the all the issues during this board meeting, but we must make headway on deciding how to proceed. The deadline we face is Spring 2025 elections when the Midsouth Regional Representative is one of the positions scheduled for election. CCSC cannot continue to advertise a region which is inactive. The optics are of doing so are bad. Our obligation is to determine whether there is a need for the services CCSC offers among the computing science educators in the region. Therefore, I am calling for the creation of a committee to bring us a concrete plan for how we are to proceed at the spring board meeting in Portland. The charge for the committee will be based upon board discussion.

Changing educational challenges call for new ways of fulfilling our mission. We must consider new ways of offering conferences, new ways of welcoming members (including new board members), new ways of doing business, and new ways of communicating among our members if we are to remain a viable organization. The agenda for this board meeting offers us opportunity to discuss each of these issues and to take the first steps. One example of changing the way the board does business comes from Ed's suggestion that we use a form to cast votes in an email vote. Bryan has prototyped a form and many of us tested it out. There must be other avenues for us to implement efficiencies in how we do our work as a board. Do we continue to meet for board meetings physically or do we meet for one of the board meetings each year virtually? Are there better ways to communicate with our membership on the national level? How do we raise the awareness of CCSC among educators in the computing sciences without flooding email boxes? We need to listen to our Partners when they tell us they are surprised that our conferences do not have a social media presence-that they want an effective way to communicate with the attendees at the conferences they are attending.

By way of announcement, I have completed cleaning up the CCSC board mailing list. There were several non-board members who had not been removed from the list when their term expired. I notified each of my intent to remove them from the list and gave them a chance to appeal that removal. I received no replies and removed each from the list. The list now consists of only active board members.

Looking into the future, the board needs to consider the archival of the Bylaws and the minutes. We also need to consider the creation of a repository of non-Bylaw or standing rule policies, eg., the travel reimbursement policy.   This policy and others like it are scattered throughout our minutes and are not readily available. We could eliminate much redundancy from our board meetings if we had access to such a repository.

I have laid out much for us to do over the 2023 – 2024 year in this report. We have, though, accomplished much over the last year. CCSC is on a much more solid footing this fall than last when we were faced with the abrupt cancellation of a conference. The change is due to your hard work. Your inventiveness, your industry, and your dedication never fail to amaze me. Though I have laid out much to do over the year, I have no doubt that we will face that work together.

Respectively submitted,

Scott Sigman, President

5.1.2 Report of the Vice President (Bryan Dixon)

Spring conferences need to remove the in-cooperation with SIGCSE language until we get that submitted and approved. It is currently delayed until we get updated insurance and I need information from CCSC:NE to submit theirs once the time comes that I can. Mainly need ACM Membership numbers for two members of the organization committee.

Would like feedback on if anyone has issues with the voting process via a Google form we did a quick trial run of recently and if that should be adopted in the future.

5.1.3 Report of the Treasurer (Ed Lindoo)

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Treasurers Report

October 12, 2023

CCSC
External Income and Expenses
August 2022 - July 2023

	CCSC	Central Plains	Eastern	Midwest	North-eastern	North-western	Rocky Mountain	South Central	South-eastern	South-western	Total
Income											
45000 Investments											0.00
45030 Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	277.51										277.51
Total 45000 Investments	$ 277.51	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	277.51
46400 Other Types of Income											0.00
46430 Miscellaneous Revenue											0.00
Total 46400 Other Types of Income	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	0.00
47200 Program Income											0.00
47240 Program Service Fees											0.00
47250 Registrations with Membership		7,025.00			7,580.00			1,610.00		2,105.00	18,320.00
47260 Registrations without Membership		367.50			11,480.00			1,390.00		1,840.00	15,077.50
47270 Student Registrations		1,093.00			2,460.00			300.00		585.00	4,438.00
Total 47260 Registrations without Membership	$ 0.00	$ 1,460.50	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 13,940.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 1,690.00	$ 0.00	$ 2,425.00	19,515.50
Total 47240 Program Service Fees	$ 0.00	$ 8,485.50	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 21,520.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 3,300.00	$ 0.00	$ 4,530.00	37,835.50
Total 47200 Program Income	$ 0.00	$ 8,485.50	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 21,520.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 3,300.00	$ 0.00	$ 4,530.00	37,835.50
PayPal Sales	$ 2,166.17		$ 17,121.00	$ 8,795.00		$ 7,320.00	$ 2,525.00		-$ 499.30	$ 3,700.00	41,127.87
Uncategorized Income											0.00
Total Income	$ 2,443.68	$ 8,485.50	$ 17,121.00	$ 8,795.00	$ 21,520.00	$ 7,320.00	$ 2,525.00	$ 3,300.00	-$ 499.30	$ 8,230.00	79,240.88
Gross Profit	$ 2,443.68	$ 8,485.50	$ 17,121.00	$ 8,795.00	$ 21,520.00	$ 7,320.00	$ 2,525.00	$ 3,300.00	-$ 499.30	$ 8,230.00	79,240.88
Expenses											
60900 Business Expenses											
60950 Reimbursed Conference expense					295.99						295.99
60951 catering		3,813.45	6,254.57	3,534.65	6,362.46	2,846.15	465.20			1,700.95	24,977.43
60958 conference supplies			206.13		288.43		194.61				689.17
60965 Speaker & Entertainment				986.00	1,438.62						2,424.62
60967 awards		1,000.00	987.96		730.00	150.00			184.70	150.00	3,202.66
60971 signage & web expense					155.88	58.97					214.85
60972 publicity materials & distribution			16.64								16.64
60973 handouts					102.22						102.22
60975 conf travel & committee exp		245.99			6,869.41	300.55					7,415.95
60978 Other conference expense					260.00	160.00					420.00
Total 60950 Reimbursed Conference expense	$ 0.00	$ 5,059.44	$ 7,465.30	$ 4,520.65	$ 16,503.01	$ 3,515.67	$ 659.81	$ 0.00	$ 184.70	$ 1,850.95	39,759.53
60980 Journal expenses	275.00										275.00
Total 60900 Business Expenses	$ 275.00	$ 5,059.44	$ 7,465.30	$ 4,520.65	$ 16,503.01	$ 3,515.67	$ 659.81	$ 0.00	$ 184.70	$ 1,850.95	40,034.53
62100 Contract Services											
62150 Outside Contract Services	3,300.00										3,300.00
Total 62100 Contract Services	$ 3,300.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	3,300.00
62800 Facilities and Equipment											
62840 Equip Rental and Maintenance	2,600.00										2,600.00
Total 62800 Facilities and Equipment	$ 2,600.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	2,600.00
65000 Operations											
65010 Books, Subscriptions, Reference	2,843.13										2,843.13
65040 Supplies	513.23										513.23
65050 Telephone, Telecommunications	787.54								77.25		864.79
Total 65000 Operations	$ 4,143.90	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 77.25	$ 0.00	4,221.15
65100 Other Types of Expenses											
65120 Insurance - Liability, D and O	998.00										998.00
65160 Other Costs	532.57										532.57
65180 PayPal Fees	892.44										892.44
Total 65100 Other Types of Expenses	$ 2,423.01	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	2,423.01
68300 Travel and Meetings	2,343.38										2,343.38
68310 Conference, Convention, Meeting	1,916.17										1,916.17
68320 Travel	29,078.64										29,078.64
Total 68300 Travel and Meetings	33,338.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,338.19
Total Expenses	46,080.10	5,059.44	7,465.30	4,520.65	16,503.01	3,515.67	659.81	0.00	261.95	1,850.95	85,916.88
Net Operating Income	(43,636.42)	3,426.06	9,655.70	4,274.35	5,016.99	3,804.33	1,865.19	3,300.00	(761.25)	6,379.05	(6,676.00)
Net Income	(43,636.42)	3,426.06	9,655.70	4,274.35	5,016.99	3,804.33	1,865.19	3,300.00	(761.25)	6,379.05	(6,676.00)

As you can see, during the course of the 2022-23 year, across the 10 regions and CCSC itself, we took in $79,240.88, and spent $85,916.88, for a loss of $6,676.00. This is attributed to two things:

1. We absorbed a loss instead of profit because of the last-minute cancellation of the Southeastern Conference in November 2022

2. Our spring conference was in Toronto Canada. It was on average more expensive to get there and more expensive to stay there, as opposed to similar spring conferences.

Here is our financial status as the end of fiscal year 22-23

CCSC Financial Status - End of FY 2022-2023	July 31, 2023
Account	Balance
WF Checking	$13,252.95
WF Savings	$107,902.44
BofA Checking	$11,003.09
BofA Savings	$54,254.31
PayPal	$12,903.27
Total Funds on Hand	**$199,316.06**
Chase Credit Card	$1,201.70
Total Liabilities	**$1,201.70**
Net Assets	$ 198,114.36

- Recommendation: I propose that we eliminate the WF and BoA Savings accounts, converting them to CDs. CD rates today are in the 5% range for an 11 month or 13-month period. If approved I will personally need to make an appointment with each bank and go there to set up these accounts.

- Moving to this we could make about ~$8,000 yearly.

- Mileage reimbursement. Recommendation: I propose that we move to the IRS standard rate for reimbursement, however, there has to be a limit. The actual mileage as documented by Google maps, but not more than what an airline ticket would have cost.

- I'm currently working on our year-end tax report that needs to be filed by December 1

- UPE numbers. These have been reported to our UPE sponsors.

ACCOUNT NAME	DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	TRANSACTION NUMBER	NAME	MEMO	FULL NAME	CLEARED	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Business Expenses									
Reimbursed Conference expense									
awards									
awards	10/25/2022	Bill	--	Nathan Green	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$925.00	$925.00
awards	10/30/2022	Bill	--	Shereen Khoja	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$150.00	$1,075.00
awards	11/29/2022	Bill	--	Pranshu Gupta	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$62.96	$1,137.96
awards	01/23/2023	Bill	--	Andy Digh	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$184.70	$1,322.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Brandon Noecker	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$50.00	$1,372.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Kann Mahadevan	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$50.00	$1,422.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Chase Leckinger	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$30.00	$1,452.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Tye Leckinger	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$30.00	$1,482.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Ajay Bhattachangya	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$30.00	$1,512.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Jenny Wang	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$150.00	$1,662.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Charles Reinhardt	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$100.00	$1,762.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Art Marciano	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$50.00	$1,812.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Jui-Teng Hau	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$80.00	$1,892.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Andrew Franklin	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$80.00	$1,972.66
awards	05/22/2023	Bill	--	Aiden Weingrad	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$80.00	$2,052.66
awards	06/16/2023	Bill	--	Todd Gibson	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$150.00	$2,202.66
awards	06/21/2023	Expense	--	Amazon	--	60900 Business Expenses:60950 Reimbursed Conference expense:60967 awards	--	$1,000.00	$3,202.66
Total for awards								$3,202.66	
Total for Reimbursed Conference expense with sub-accounts								$3,202.66	

5.1.4 Report of the Publications Chair (Baochuan Lu)

Fall 2023 CCSC Board Report

Baochuan Lu

Conference	Acceptance Rate	Journal Status	Hours
Northwestern	69%	done	12
Rocky Mountain	64%	done	
Eastern	56%	done (almost)	13
Midwestern	73%	done (almost)	12
Southeastern	50%	done, edited by Crystal	

https://www.ccsc.org/publications/journals/NW2023.pdf
https://www.ccsc.org/publications/drafts/RM2023.pdf
https://www.ccsc.org/publications/journals/EA2023.pdf
https://www.ccsc.org/publications/journals/MW2023.pdf
https://www.ccsc.org/publications/drafts/SE2023.pdf

To maintain the quality of the journal and manage the workload of the journal editors, here are some proposals for the CCSC Board to consider:

- Should we publish only peer-reviewed items and tutorial or workshop abstracts that may attract people to our conferencesO? Currently, there is no national policy with regard to what is publishable; each region decides what to publish. Some regions publish student paper abstracts, poster abstracts, and work-in-progress abstracts. Many regional faculty members publish through JCSC for their scholarship activities and reference such activities for their tenure and promotion. Limiting JCSC to such manuscripts will help maintain the quality of our journal, support our members, and sustain regional conferences in the long run. Regions may publish other items, such as lightning talks, work in progress, poster abstracts, and student paper abstracts, on their websites. Publishing abstracts/bios of invited talks like keynotes and banquet speeches should be OK.
- Should we require authors to our Latex or Word templates? Authors should contact the editors if they want to use packages that are not already included in the Latex template.
- How important is it to have the journal issues ready before the conferences? If it is important for promoting a conference, how far in advance should we have the journal issue for the conference ready? To give the editors plenty of them to compile the journal issues the regional editors need to help convert Word doc submissions to Latex and do their due diligence checking the manuscript requirements.

5.1.5   Report of the Membership Secretary (Cathy Bareiss)

Since no fall conferences have "finished", this only reflects as of August 1, 2023. Items in **bold** are new from last report

CCSC Membership Secretary Report
Fall 2023

	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
CP	51	42	60	24	cancelled	46	50	**49**
EA	62	86	73	71	63	71	76	75
MS	34	29	32	31	19	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled
NW	50	48	58	71	39	54	32	39
NE	97	113	100	82	37	60	82	**86**
MW	36	29	35	44	39	27	52	39
RM	25	21	34	44	25	18	18	18
SC	31	36	38	34	16	23	22	**22**
SE	54	62	46	42	43	60	32	cancelled
SW	21	19	31	24	21	10	13	**20**
MEM	15	10	20	11	12	2	7	**14**
totals	476	495	527	478	314	371	384	**362**

underlined rows indicate "spring" conferences

Membership voting regions

22/23	
CP	67
EA	115
MS	0
NW	74
NE	128
MW	49
RM	35
SC	40
SE	37
SW	30
totals	575

Total Membership

	02/2022	11/2022	03/2023	10/2023
Members	426	597	528	575
Expiring before next board meeting		73	68	119

1. Not much has happened in terms of membership since the last board meeting

2. Virtual water coolers continue with about 5-15 attending each time.

3. It would be nice to have a virtual workshop. Does someone want to take lead on this and see if a national vendor wants to do one.

4. Would like to establish two google groups: One for official announce that people would need to opt out from and can only be used by board members for national business. A second that people would opt-in to which could be used by anyone in this list to post anything including looking for people to be on a panel, looking for reviewers, and even just asking for opinions. I would like approval for this.

5. Google national accounts (and Midwest accounts) seem to be working

5.1.6 National Partners Chair (Karina Assiter)

National Partners Board Report Fall 2023

Current National Partners List

Good standing	Partner	Level	Income	Paid Date	Last Welcome (back) Sent	Last Renew Request/ Thank you Sent	Expires or Expired	Primary Contact			Alternate Contact			
								Name	Email	Phone	Name	Email	Phone	Notes
√	Joint Gold membership between ACM CCECC & ACM2Y.	Gold	2,000	9/13/2023	9/18/2023	NA	6/30/2024	Marcus Geissler (ACM CCECC)	geisslm@CRC.losrios.edu	916-692-9155	Cara Tang ACM2Y	cara.tang@pcc.edu		Joint ACM2Y and ACM CCECC Gold
√	Rephactor	Gold	2,000	6/17/2023	7/11/2023	3/21/2023	6/30/2024	Dr. Tom Way	drtomway@gmail.com	302-463-7462				
		Total Income	4,000											

The updated National Partners list in the **board/National Partners** folder should always have the current list of National partners (I've archived the previous national partners in another worksheet).

ACM2Y and ACM CCECC sharing a Gold Membership

We have a new CCSC National Partner at the Gold level. It's unprecedented, in that two ACM organizations are sharing a membership:

ACM2Y
- o   An ACM group for those interested in computing education in two-year higher education programs, such as associate-degree programs.
- o   They will be the official National Partner (their logo and link is on the website).
- o   **Contact**: Cara Tang, Ph.D. cara.tang@pcc.edu

ACM **CCECC** (Committee for Computing Education in Community Colleges)
- o   They will share a table with ACM2Y at conferences.
- o   **Contact:** Geissler, Markus geisslm@CRC.losrios.edu

We have found a way for the two organizations to share a Gold membership so that it does not negatively impact the budgets of regional conferences. For example, for the **Gold** National Partner level benefit of *Vendor Conference Registration* and *Meals and Breaks*, between ACM2Y and ACM CCECC two people could attend per conference. Also, in terms of the *Conference Participation* benefit, options could be to together have one slot on the program, dividing the 45 minutes into two 20-minute sessions, or finding something that works out reasonably between you - maybe some conferences would be happy to have more sessions!

Historical context of why our list is much smaller

It seems relevant to include an email that I sent to the board in August:

"When I took over as National Partners Chair, the list I inherited was not updated with the most recent contacts. I have been reaching out about renewals and either getting no responses, or there is no longer interest. At the moment, the only partner who paid to renew this year is Rephactor. I have a few others potential new partners that I am pursuing who have not joined yet.   I have been putting this off hoping we'd have more renewals, but at this point we need to:

1. *Remove all but Rephactor from the website*
2. *If vendors are attending regional conferences and think that they are National Partner's (expect benefits), then tell them to contact me, or go to the ConfTool site (CCSC Membership & National Partners join/renew) to renew (I can then update our list). If vendors are attending who are not National Partners, encourage them to join our program!*
3. *Those of you at the regional level probably do have the most up-to-date lists of vendors (they have been attending your conference). I'd appreciate any contacts that you might have.*

GitHub, social media presence, Marketing chair

I spent a bit of time working with GitHub to encourage them to renew. Dyson was our contact, and he indicated they had had some bad experiences at conferences (though he could not give me specifics so we could not fully address them).

I enlisted Scott and Bryan to join me in a meeting with Dyson to discuss what they would need from us, since this seemed like a larger issue than what I as the National Partner chair could promise our partners.   By the end of our conversation Dyson seemed inclined to renew on behalf of GitHub (we expected him to), but then

he never did. I remember the last thing he mentioned during our meeting was that we did not have much of a social media presence (Facebook, Instagram, etc.,) which means we were lacking visibility as an organization (so not much traffic or exposure for them).

Scott, Bryan and I then met to discuss ways to improve the experiences for National Partners, and having larger conferences of course seemed to be one way *(that was one criticism some vendors had, that some conferences were very small)*. **A concluding thought from our meeting was that if we had a Marketing chair, and therefore a social media presence, this might lead to increased visibility and larger conferences, which in turn might help us attract and retain National Partner's**.   We were going to include this as a discussion in this (the Fall 2023) board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karina Assiter, National Partners Chair

5.2 Regional Reports

5.2.1   Central Plains (Judy Mullins)

CCSC: Central Plains Report
October 12, 2023

Regional Elections
In spring elections, Ron McCleary (Avila University, retired) was re-elected Registrar/Membership Chair and Judy Mullins was re-elected Regional Representative. Their terms will expire in 2026. Ajay Bandi (Northwest Missouri State University) was elected Treasurer to complete the term of Denise Case, which expires in 2024.

Central Plains Conference 2023
The 2023 conference was held at Johnson County Community College in Overland Park, KS. A pre-conference workshop titled "*Teaching Cybersecurity: Introducing the Security Mindset*," sponsored by the SIGCSE Speaker's Fund, was conducted by Ms. Buffie Holley, Albemarle High School, Charlottesville, VA, and Dr. Maritz Johnson, University of San Diego, CA.

The opening keynote speaker was Mr. Perry Copus, Technical Lead Engineer, Garmin. His talk was titled "*The Engineering Generalist is [probably] a Computer Scientist*." The banquet speaker was Ms. Erin Christensen Chief Operating Officer, KC Tech Council. Her talk was titled "*Tech Specs: The Outlook of the Tech Industry and the Impact on the Regional Economy and Workforce*."

The conference sponsored a poster contest and a hackathon contest for students. There was also a student papers session. Also featured were lightning talks, nifty assignments and 1 workshop. 7 papers were presented (58% acceptance rate). Total attendance was up slightly from last year: 45 regular faculty, 4 retired faculty, 15 full conference students and 20 Saturday only students.

Student Hackathon Contest Winners

Teams were judged using the following three criteria:

1. Potential impact of the solution.
2. Embodiment of the Hackathon rules.
3. Quality of the presentations (Video and final presentation)

Winners of the Hackathon were:

- *Best in Show* – Drury Panthers
    - o Jali Purcell, Paul Pollard, Charlie Roder, Jacob Hutchinson and Jace Reinke
- *Highest Potential for Impact* – Mules 2 from UCM
    - o Judith Limo, Paul Dakkumalla, Uma Bontha, Collin Vessel, Peter Morris
- *Strongest Minimal Viable Product* – Dragon Bytes from UCM
    - o Lydia Eason and Audrey Tabler

Student Poster Contest Winners

Rank	Student	University
1	Elena Pearce	Drake University
2	Brandon Alvarez, Julian Fisher, Jon Sigman	Drury University
3	Luis Vazquez	Northeastern State University

Student Papers

Efficient Electronic Parking Service Using Internet of Things
Martina Pascuzzo, Ayush Kanaujia, Reason Adhikari Deep Shikha/ Northwest Missouri State University

Using Lempel-Ziv-Welch Compression to Describe the Predictability of Fly Movements
Nicole Lacey/Drake University

Mutual Information Using LZW-Compression
Noah S. Peterson/Drake University

Smart Hydroponic Farming Using Internet of Things, Rahul Datta Bitra, Saivivek Reddy Kusukuntla, Jawahar Reddy Nomula, Nithin Reddy Kumbham, Abhinav Bellamkonda, Vamsidhar Reddy, Gopi Krishna Kandimalla/ Northwest Missouri State University

Optimal Multi-Robot Path Planning for Food and Medicine Delivery in Hospital Environment,
Aravind Kumar Koyyala/Northwest Missouri State University

Central Plains Conference 2024
The 2024 conference will be hosted by Graceland University in Lamoni, IA, April 5-6, 2024. Kevin Brunner will serve as conference chair. Call for participation will include papers, panels and workshops, nifty assignments, works in progress, student papers and posters and K-12 & two-year college proposals. The conference will also feature a student hackathon as well as, hopefully, a programming contest (details still being worked out).

Full conference details may be found at http://www.ccsc.org/centralplains.

Future Conferences
The site for the 2025 conference has not yet been confirmed.

Respectively submitted,

Judy Mullins
Central Plains Representative

5.2.2 Eastern (Michael Flinn)

Eastern Region
Fall 2023 Report to CCSC
Submitted by Michael B. Flinn, Frostburg State University

This report is being written and submitted before our 39th Annual Regional Conference, held in person on October 20-21, 2023, and hosted by Bay Atlantic University, Washington D.C.. It is chaired by Pipop Nuangpookka from Bay Atlantic University.

This year's conference is shaping up to be very exciting. We currently have 76 participants, 16 programming teams from many different colleges, exceptional Keynote and Banquet speakers, and multiple vendors planning to attend.

The conference accepted 14 papers out of 48 submitted and will include a tutorial on *Co-Teaching Cybersecurity Courses with Generative AI*, among other exciting workshops, panels, and tutorials. The conference continues offering student paper presentations and a Nifty Ideas session inspired by the ACM SIGCSE nifty ideas and birds-of-a-feather sessions. It will also include the programming contest, vendors and vendor sessions, keynote and banquet speakers, and the closing luncheon. Anyone interested in being on the committee for the 2025 conference can meet at the post-conference meeting immediately following the luncheon.

The CCSC Eastern 2023 Collegiate Programming Contest will be held in person on Saturday, October 21, from 8:00 am to 12:50 pm. Prizes will be awarded courtesy of Upsilon Pi Epsilon.

We are excited to announce that the 40th Annual Conference will be held in person at Laurel Ridge Community College, Middletown, VA and chaired by Dr. Melissa Stange. The Call for Participation will be distributed at this year's conference and SIGCSE.

Our efforts in securing a site for 2023 brought in several more offers to host future events.

Tentative Future Hosts:

Fall 2025 – Arcadia University, Glenside, PA, host – Dr. Vitaly Ford

Fall 2026 – Haverford College, Haverford, host - PA – Dr. John P. Dougherty (JD)

We are continuing to add to our future hosting list, and I hope to maintain a strong list of future hosting colleges and universities.

Eastern Website: http://www.ccsc-eastern.org
Eastern on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ccsceastern
Past Conferences: http://www.ccsc-eastern.org/past-conferences

This report is respectfully submitted on this warm, sunny, and colorful day by Michael B. Flinn, Eastern Regional Representative, on October 2, 2023.

5.2.3   Midsouth (David Naugler)

<Nothing Submitted>

5.2.4   Midwest (David Largent)

2023 Conference

We will hold our 30th CCSC-MW regional conference on October 20-21, 2023 at University of Indianapolis, accommodating both onsite and virtual participation of presenters and attendees. The conference will include…

- 1 keynote address and 1 dinner address
- 11 paper submissions with 8 selected and presented (72.7%)
- 3 tutorials and 2 panels
- 5 nifty assignment presentations
- 8 works in progress presentations
- 1 pre-conference workshop
- Student showcase competition, with 5 posters presented
- Student programming contest

As of 10/11/2023, we have the following people registered to participate in the conference. We expect these numbers to increase as the conference date nears.

	Onsite	Virtual	Total
Students	18	21	39
Non-students	43	8	51
Total	61	29	90

Our keynote will be Jonathan Sweeny from the FBI. His keynote presentation is entitled "Cybersecurity Arms Race." Our dinner speaker will be Emily Kitterman from TechPoint. Her

presentation is entitled "Opportunities for Talent in Indiana's Digital Innovation Economy: A Careers in Tech Presentation."

The Student Programming Contest will be divided into two tracks (novice and regular), to provide a more even playing field for those with less experience.

The annual Midwest Region General Business Meeting will be held after our dinner address and will be when we select new Regional officers.

I would like to thank the conference committee for their work to pull together another great conference:

Conference Chair:	Lucy La Hurreau	Ivy Tech Community College
Vice-Chair:	Zaid Althaha	University of Wisconsin-Parkside
Site Chair:	Paul Talaga	University of Indianapolis
Papers:	Imad Al Saeed	Saint Xavier University
Nifty Tools & Assignments:	Ahmed Elmagrous	University of Wisconsin-Stout
WIP	Ahmed Elmagrous	University of Wisconsin-Stout
Panels, Tutorials, & Workshops:	Cathy Bareiss	Bethel University
Authors:	Saleh Alnaeli (2025)	University of Wisconsin-Stout
Past Chair:	Saleh Alnaeli	University of Wisconsin-Stout
Programming Contest:	Paul Talaga	University of Indianapolis
Programming Contest (Assistant):	Md Haque	University of Indianapolis
Programming Contest (Assistant):	Nathan Sommer	Xavier University
Publicity:	David Largent	Ball State University
Registrar:	Lucy La Hurreau	Ivy Tech Community College
Registrar (Assistant):	Deborah Hwang	University of Evansville
Speakers:	Stefan Brandle	Taylor University
Student Showcase:	David Largent	Ball State University
Student Showcase (Assistant):	Andy Harris	Ball State University
Treasurer:	Mary Jo Geise (2023)	University of Findlay
Two-year College Liaison:	Kris Roberts	Ivy Tech Community College
Vendors:	Takako Soma	Illinois College
Webmaster:	Stefan Brandle (2023)	Taylor University
Regional Representative:	David Largent (2026)	Ball State University
At-Large Board Member:	Kris Roberts (2024)	Ivy Tech Community College

Google CCSC organization usage

As of early 2023, we started utilizing the Google organization shared drive provided by CCSC for the Midwest Region.

2024 Conference

We expect to hold our fall 2024 conference OUTside of central Indiana but are yet to secure a committed host site.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Largent, Midwest Regional Representative

5.2.5 Northeastern (Mark Bailey)

Northeastern Regional Report (Mark Bailey)

2023 Conference

CCSC Northeast held its 27th annual conference at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York on April 14-15, 2023. This year's conference saw a health rebound in attendance, and a large bump particularly in student poster participation. 213 people (including 122 students) registered this year, and 202 attended. In comparison, the 2022 conference had 111 registrants, while the 2019 conference had 226. It looks like we are bouncing back from the COVID crisis nicely.

The program included 15 papers, 3 pre-conference workshops, 2 tutorials, 3 panels, and 1 lightning talk. The programming contest attracted 13 teams this year which is still lower than pre-pandemic levels. Keynote speakers included Reuben Fischer-Baum from the Washington Post (*How journalists create data visualization*) and Cornell University professor Jon Kleinberg (*Choices and Consequences in Computing*).

Informal feedback about the conference from attendees was extremely positive. People were happy to be back in person without a hybrid option. We expect participation will continue to pick up next year.

2024 Conference

The Twenty-Eighth Annual CCSCNE conference will be held on April 12-13, 2024 at the College of Saint Rose in Syracuse, New York. Saint Rose has hosted the conference previously and they have a strong leadership team. Conference chairs are Ian MacDonald (Saint Rose) and Jim Teresco (Siena College).

Bylaws Change

CCSCNE is doing a little restructuring of board member roles. Current bylaws couple the CCSCNE Regional Board Chair and the Northeast Region Representative to CCSC. The CCSCNE board has approved a change to the bylaws to sever this position into two separate positions. Thus, we need to hold a membership vote on the bylaws change in the next CCSC election.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Bailey
Northeast Region Representative

5.2.6 Northwestern (Shereen Khoja)

Northwest Regional Report (Shereen Khoja)

2023 Conference

The [CCSC-NW 2023 Conference](#) is being held at Eastern Washington University on October 13-14. The conference committee is excited to host the CCSC board members this year..

Most of the conference committee members are new to these roles, and are looking forward to running a vibrant conference:

- **Conference Chair** - Stuart Steiner - ssteiner@ewu.edu - Eastern Washington University
- **Site Chair** - Stuart Steiner - ssteiner@ewu.edu - Eastern Washington University
- **Program Chair** - Haiyan Cheng - hcheng@willamette.edu - Willamette University
- **Papers Chair** - Ben Tribelhorn - tribelhb@up.edu - University of Portland
- **Panels & Tutorials Chair** - Markus Geissler - markus.geissler@crc.losrios.edu - Cosumnes River College
- **Speaker's Chair** - Stuart Steiner - ssteiner@ewu.edu - Eastern Washington University
- **Partners Chair** - Daniel Conte de Leon - dcontedeleon@uidaho.edu - University of Idaho
- **Student Posters** Chair - Calvin Deutschbein - ckdeutschbein@willamette.edu - Willamette University

The conference begins tomorrow and there are currently 39 people registered. We had 20 submissions and accepted 15 of them.

This is my first ever visit to Spokane, and I want to extend a special thanks to the conference chair Stu Steiner for taking care of all of the logistics.

2024 Conference

The 2024 conference will be held at Willamette University in Salem. We will determine the date and conference committee over the next couple of days.

Challenges

We have faced two challenges this year. 1) Finding and keeping a webmaster. 2) Engaging with partners. I will be working with next year's conference committee on both of these items.

Respectfully submitted,
Shereen Khoja, Northwest Regional Representative

5.2.7 Rocky Mountain (Mohamed Lofty)

Rocky Mountain Region Report
Mohamed Lotfy

32nd Rocky Mountain Region Conference 2023

The thirty second annual Rocky Mountain Conference will be held face-to-face on October 20-21, 2023 at Metropolitan State University of Denver. Nine papers were accepted for presentation (out of 14 submitted papers), two posters, as well as five tutorials. The review process resulted in a paper acceptance rate of 64.29%. At the time of writing this report, there are twenty faculty/presenters who are registered to attend the conference.

Special thanks to Dr. Cara Tang the Chair of ACM2Y, a CCSC Gold partner, for attending and having a table for ACM2Y at the conference.

The website for the conference is at http://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/ and the program can be found at https://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/CallForPapers2023.pdf. Members of the conference committee can be found at https://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/RMCCSCConferenceCommittee2023.pdf.

33rd Rocky Mountain Region Conference 2024

We are still waiting for confirmation from the institution that will be the site for the RM Region 2024 conference. The tentative conference dates will be October 18-19, 2024.

CCSC Rep (Regional chair): Mohamed Lotfy
Treasurer: Ed Lindoo
Editor(s): Pam Smallwood
Submission chair(s): Karina Assiter & Mohamed Lotfy
Webmaster: Dan McDonald
Publicity Chair: Jenny Nehring
Registrar: Ed Lindoo
Conference chair(s): Thyago Motta and Jody Paul

Site Chair(s): TBD
Program Chair(s): Mohamed Lotfy
Student Programming/Cybersecurity Competition Chair: Kodey Crandall and Dave Loper
Student Posters Chair: Michael Leverington

Regional Notes

- The 32nd CCSC Rocky Mountain region conference will have two scholarly posters for the first time. No student posters were submitted.

Yearly Summary

Year	Submissions	Papers				Panels/Tutorials/Workshops				Registrations				
		Total	Accept	Reject	Rate %	Total	Accept	Reject	Rate %	Total	Region	Students	Board	Partner
2013	18	13	11	2	84.62%	5	5	0	100.00%					
2014	21	19	16	3	84.21%	2	2	0	100.00%	31	23	3	0	5
2015	30	24	17	7	70.83%	6	6	0	100.00%	29	25	4	0	0
2016	19	16	11	5	68.75%	3	3	0	100.00%	29	23	5	0	1
2017	31	24	18	6	75.00%	7	6	1	85.71%	48	33	1	13	1
2018	25	21	14	7	66.67%	4	4	0	100.00%	23	21	1	0	1
2019	17	14	10	4	71.43%	3	3	0	100.00%	30	28	1	0	1
2020	24	19	12	7	63.16%	5	3	2	60.00%	19	17	1	0	1
2021	20	17	11	6	64.71%	3	3	0	100.00%	19	18	0	0	1
2022	16	13	9	4	69.23%	3	2	1	66.67%	19	17	1	0	1
2023	19	14	9	4	64.29%	5	5	0	100.00%	20	19	0	0	1

Note: 2023 registration numbers are not final, they might grow, since the conference is on October 20-21, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Mohamed Lotfy, PhD
Rocky Mountain Region Representative.

5.2.8   South Central (Tina Johnson)

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South Central Regional Report

Tina Johnson

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2023 Conference

The 34th Annual CCSC South Central Conference was hosted at Stephen F. Austin State University on Friday, March 31, 2023. The conference site/program chair was Anne Marie Eubanks. The program included papers, tutorials, nifty assignments, and a poster session.

There were 15 submitted papers of which 7 were selected, an acceptance rate of 46%; 3 tutorial was submitted and accepted; one tutorial presenter was unable to attend. Paul Gault from Provalus was the key note speaker for the conference.

2024 Conference
The 34th Annual CCSC South Central Conference will be hosted by Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX on Friday, April 5, 2024. The conference site/program chair is Anne Marie Eubanks.

Conference Dates:
        Tuesday, January 16, 2024 – Professional papers due
        Friday, January 19, 2024 – Papers to reviewers
Monday, Febraury 5, 2024 – Paper reviews due
        Monday, Febraury 5, 2024 – Deadline for tutorials and workshops
Friday, February 9, 2024 @ 2:00 – Steering Committee Meeting SFA State University
        Monday, February 12, 2024 – Notification of acceptance / rejection
Monday, February 19, 2024 – LaTeX final paper due
Monday, February 19, 2024 – Registration requirement for all presenters
Tuesday, April 2, 2024 – Nifty Assignment due
Tuesday, April 2, 2024– Posters due
        Friday April 5, 2024– Conference at SFA State University

Cost for 2023 conference: $130/$140, $50 for student & retirees
        · $130 through April 1, 2024
        · $140 April 2 through conference
        · $100 for Zoom attendance

Conference Steering Committee:
        Conference Host and Chair: Anne Marie Eubanks, Stephen F. Austin State University
        Registrar: Anne Marie Eubanks, Stephen F. Austin State University
        Treasurer: Bilal Shebaro, St. Edward's University
        Nifty Assignments Chair: Michael Kart, St. Edward's University
        Posters Chair: Shyam (Sam) Karrah, University of Texas, Dallas
        Regional Editor / Papers Co-Chair: Bingyang Wei, Texas Christian University
        Regional Editor / Paper Co-Chair: Mustafa Al-Lail, Texas A&M International University
        Moderator Chair: Vipin Menon, McNeese State University
        Panels and Tutorials Chair: Jeffery Zheng, Stephen F. Austin State University
        Publicity Chair: Eduardo Colmenares-Diaz, Midwestern State University Texas
        National Board Representative: Tina Johnson, Midwestern State University Texas
        Reviewer Co-Chair: Lasanthi Gamage, Webster University
        Reviewer Co-Chair: Julie Smith, University of North Texas
        Reviewer Co-Chari: Dulal Kar, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
        Webmaster: Christian Servin, El Paso Community College

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Johnson, South Central Regional Representative

5.2.9   Southeastern (Kevin Treu)

CCSC:SOUTHEAST REGIONAL REPORT Fall 2023

Fall 2023 CCSC:Southeastern Conference

The 37th CCSC Southeastern Conference is scheduled for November 3-4, 2023, hosted by Coastal Carolina University in Conway, SC. This will be the second time that CCU has hosted. We had a wonderful conference there in November of 2007, and are excited to return. Jeannie French is the site chair and local registrar, with assistance from local conference committee members Paul Cerkez, Will Jones, Ross Foultz, and Tally Wright. Jonathan Cazalas (Florida Southern) is chairing the regional board; Adam Lewis (Athens) and Kevin Treu (Furman) are the program co-chairs. Other regional board members are Karen Works (treasurer, FSU), and Stephen Carl (publicity, Sewanee). Our regional board is particularly depleted at the moment, as there are no site-chairs representing last year's canceled conference, and Furman is next year's site.

The scheduled program includes 14 papers, 4 workshops, 1 panel, a "nifty assignments" session, and a session of student presentations from our student research competition. It is the first time since 2019 that we have had a packed program of four sessions with three tracks each.

A total of 28 regular papers were submitted (a nice improvement from 20 last year, 14 the year before, and 24 in 2019, though drastically down from 39 in 2020) of which 14 were accepted, for an acceptance rate of 50%, compared to 60% in 2022, 50% in 2021, 54% in 2020, 62% in 2019, 55% in 2018, 60% in 2017, 52% in 2016, 57.1% in 2015, 54.5% in 2014, 46.8% in 2013 and 2012 and 60% in 2011. (The acceptance rate for tutorials/workshops/panels was 100% -- 5 of 5 submissions.) We are pretty happy with these numbers, and hope to continue to build on them.

No pre-conference workshop has been scheduled this year. The regional board will discuss and determine how best to revive this tradition in 2024.

The keynote address will be given by Dr. Curry Guinn, Professor of Computer Science at UNC-Wilmington. The banquet address will be given by Dr. Eric Patterson, Director of Digital Production Arts at Clemson University.

Student activities consist of a programming contest (run by Andy Digh of Mercer) and a student research contest (run by Fahad Sultan of Furman). We are building toward a full slate of participants in our 30th annual programming contest – the deadline is October 13. We hope to have a dozen or more students participate in our research competition. Winners in each of the competitions will be announced at the conclusion of the conference on Saturday, November 4.

2024 CCSC:Southeastern Conference

We have the locations for the next year of our conference determined. There are several candidates for the years following that, but no commitments yet. In 2024 we will return

to Furman for the first time since 2017, under my direction in what will be my swan song. As noted, there are several options to consider for 2025, including Mercer University, High Point University, FSU Panama City, and ETSU, all of whom have expressed interest. So that part of our conference, at least, is strong.

Other Regional Issues/Activities

Recovery from 2022 – As you recall, a year ago at this time our entire region was in crisis mode, and the conference was ultimately canceled for the first time in our history. We have been aggressive about advertising, inviting submissions, and producing a robust program to attract both new and returning participants. So far things have gone well, but we await the early registration deadline with some trepidation.

Leadership Changes – I felt that it was necessary for me to step down from my longtime role as chair of the Southeastern Regional Board a year ago. Jonathan Cazalas stepped in and handled the crisis situation very deftly, and has steered us towards a successful recovery. Circumstances prevent him from staying on as the permanent leader of our region, however, and my own time seems to be coming to a natural end. I am actively soliciting candidates for the new chair, who will also be the most likely candidate to stand for election as SE representative to the CCSC Board of Directors next year. It is my abiding goal to step away from an SE organization that is healthy and vital.

National Partner Participation – We really have to do a better job of reaching out to our national partners with invitations to participate. Right now we passively wait for their representatives to contact us. Overall, our roster of vendors was once very robust, and has dwindled to a minimal component of our event.

Renewal of Pre-conference Workshop Tradition – Another formerly regular feature of our conference has been absent for years now. That is our pre-conference workshop for early attendees. We will take steps to include this on the schedule again for 2024.

Overall Health of the Region – As hinted at above, there are some concerns here, in spite of the success we experienced in 2020. Membership seems to be stagnant. We experienced a significant dropoff in submissions eight years ago, and 2020 now seems to have been an outlier. We have been seeing a trend wherein the only registered participants are those who are co-authors (or programming team sponsors), and also a trend of scrambling for hosts. Consequently, I have concerns about our long term health. Somehow we have to do a better job conveying the intrinsic value of our conference to a wider audience. I hope to discuss with other representatives how things are going in their regions and what they are doing to keep them vital.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Treu
Southeastern Regional Representative

5.2.10 Southwestern (Michael Shindler)

Southwest Regional Report

Michael Shindler

Regional Officers:
- Regional Chair: Joshua Gross, CSU Monterey Bay
- Treasurer and Registrar: Michael Doherty, University of the Pacific
- Regional Representative: Michael Shindler, University of California, Irvine
- Webmaster: Megan Thomas, CSU Stanislaus

2020 Conference

Eight papers accepted, 3 Keynotes (including Google Cloud Session), lightning talks, two tutorials, and student posters. (18 papers submitted.)

2021 Conference

Three papers accepted, 2 Keynotes, lightning talks, two tutorials (including Google Cloud Session), and no student posters. (8 papers submitted.)

2022 Conference

Four papers accepted, 1 Keynote, lightning talks, and 2 tutorials. (~8 papers submitted.) Changed from 2-day to 1-day conference from limited offerings.

2023 Conference

Four papers accepted, one presentation/panel, lightning talks, and three tutorials. (~8 papers submitted.) Changed from 2-day to 1-day conference from limited offerings.

Southwestern Conference 2024
- **Location:** Tentatively CSU Monterey Bay
- Date: March 29, 30 in 2024
- **Conference Organizers (tentative):**
    - **Conference Chair:** Joshua Gross, CSU Monterey Bay, jgross@csumb.edu
    - **Papers Chair:** Megan Thomas, CSU Stanislaus
    - **Posters Chair:** Todd Gibson, CSU Chico, tagibson@csuchico.edu
    - **Speakers Co-Chair:** Bryan Dixon, bcdixon@csuchico.edu
    - **Panels/Tutorials Chair:** Olivera Grujic, ogrujic@csustan.edu
    - **Lightning Talk Chair:** Shirin Haji Amin Shirazi, shaji007@ucr.edu
    - **Site Chair:** Joshua Gross, CSU Monterey Bay, jgross@csumb.edu
    - **Partner's Chair:** Michael Shindler, UC Irvine, mikes@uci.edu

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Shindler
Southwest Regional Representative

5.3 Other Reports

5.3.1 Service Recognition Committee (Kevin Treu)

MOTION:

SUSAN DEAN DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE Mohamed Lotfy, Amos Gichamba, Kevin Treu (chair)

The Susan Dean Distinguished Service Award Committee nominates the following individual as recipient of the 2024 award:

• Dr. Mark Hoffman, Professor of Computer Science and Software Engineering, Quinnipiac University

Rationale: Mark Hoffman has been a member of the CCSC:NE Board since 2013, and has been involved with CCSC:NE even before that time. In 2010, Mark expressed interest in becoming more involved with CCSC:NE and volunteered to host the 2012 conference at Quinnipiac.This meeting was very well run and well attended. He subsequently has served admirably as Registration Chair until the present day, making significant improvements to the check-in process.

Mark's contributions to the CCSC:NE Board, to the wider CCSC organization, and to the Computer Science Education community as whole extend well beyond his service as Registration Chair. Just within CCSC:NE, he has been a reviewer, author, presenter, panelist, and conference committee member on numerous occasions. He has also been instrumental in bringing new people, both from his home institution and elsewhere, into roles within CCSC:NE.

Mark is a fixture at CCSC:NE board meetings and a regular contributor to discussions. He has played a very important part in the success of CCSC:NE for more than a decade and is a worthy candidate for the Susan Dean Award.

5.3.2 Comptroller (George Dimitoglou)

Nothing to report, conference budgets were forwarded to Ed.

5.3.3 UPE Liaison (Ed Lindoo)

6 Old Business

6.1 Status of the Midsouth Region

The Midsouth Region is inactive. Cathy Bareiss found three CCSC Members from Midsouth and she was to contact each about the status of the Midsouth region.

Action Item: Report on the input from Midsouth members.
Action Item: Appoint a committee to bring a recommendation on how to proceed to the board at the 2024 Fall Board Meeting.

Committee Membership: Cathy Bareiss (chair), Michael Flinn, Kevin Treu (or potential replacement), Tina Johnson

6.2 Outreach to New Faculty

During the spring board meeting, the board discussed outreach initiatives to new faculty members and graduate students who are potential new faculty members. A list of the ideas discussed is available in the minutes of the 2023 CCSC Spring Board Meeting.
Regional representatives were to report back at the fall board meeting with input on the list of ideas.

Action Item: Regional representatives report on their discussions within their region of these initiatives.
Question: Should the board move forward with any of these initiatives? If so, how?

Committee to explore ideas and bring proposal to Spring 2024 board meeting: Shereen (chair), Mohamed, Cathy

6.3 Website Issues

Performance and design issues with our current website were discussed during the Spring board meeting.

Action Item: Report on status of the inquiry into resolving the performance and design issues for our website.

Bring proposal/contractor for approval to Spring 2024 board meeting. Regional representatives can send suggestions and current issues to Committee.
Committee to work on this: Scott Sigman, Bryan Dixon, Michael Flinn

7 New Business

7.1 Yearly In-Person Planning Session for Treasurer with Associate Treasurer (Ed Lindoo)

Ed Lindoo has expressed a desire to meet with the Associate Treasurer in person once a year to better coordinate their work and to plan for future work. An in-person meeting will require the approval of funding for the Associate Treasurer to travel to a board meeting.

Motion: To allow the Treasurer and Associate Treasures to meet in person to coordinate the financial work of the CCSC and to plan for future work, the Treasurer, Ed Lindoo, moves that travel is paid the same as other board members for the Associate Treasurer be provided to one board meeting a year.

Mark Bailey seconded. Motion carries.

7.2 Travel Reimbursement Amounts (Judy Mullins)

Judy Mullins pointed out that the travel reimbursement amounts that the board uses have been used for many years and need revision. Brian Hare pointed out that the board could adopt a policy of using IRS rates or could have a standing agenda item each fall to set rates for the year.

Action Item: Formulate a motion.

Motion: Per diem will be kept updated by the Treasurer to be the IRS standard rate for meals and incidentals. Mileage will match the IRS rate for business use. The rates will be updated annually at the start of the calendar year.

Moved by Mark seconded by Tina. Motion carries.

For reference:
https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates
https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/n-22-44.pdf
https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-issues-standard-mileage-rates-for-2023-business-use-increases-3-cents-per-mile

7.3 CCSC Marketing

Karina, Bryan and I have talked with a representative from GitHub and NSF on issues related to the National Partners program. We discussed these conservations and the current lack of

participation in the National Partner's program among ourselves. Several issues related to how we market (or more correctly do not market) ourselves came from these discussions. They are:

- Vendors are concerned by our lack of presence on social media. They want to be able to reach out to participants at our conferences through those links.
- Vendor travel to small conferences is time consuming and costly. Would they and our constituency be better served by allowing virtual presentations?   While not forsaking the in-person format, would our constituency be better served by a hybrid conference format?
- CCSC needs to address marketing ourselves at both the national and the regional levels.
  - National Level
    - Marketing position on the Board
    - Promotional video
  - Regional Level
    - Regions need to consider new ways of marketing their conference within their region.
    - Regions need to establish and utilize a social media presence.
    - Regions need to allow virtual presentations for presenters and vendors.
    - Regions need to incorporate marketing into their organizational structure.
- The issue of marketing was addressed by the New Directions committee in their final report.

Question: How do we move forward on addressing these issues?

Continue discussion over email.

7.4 NSF Grant Renewal

Past NSF partnership with CCSC came through a grant, which provided for the purchase of a National Partnership for NSF, for educating CCSC members on NSF funding opportunities, and for wider exposure for NSF supported projects. The grant was written by Mike Erlinger and Paul Tymann and has now expired. Renewing the grant requires writing a new grant proposal to NSF.

Question: Do we have board members or a small group of CCSC members who would be interested in writing a new grant?

Committee to investigate: Michael Shindler (chair), Michael Flinn, Bryan Dixon, Scott Sigman

7.5 New Board Member Orientation

New members on the Board are given no direction on their duties, communication among board members, resources they have available to do their job, meeting formats, travel and lodging for board meetings, and procedures for reimbursement.

Question: How do we create an effective, time efficient, orientation for new members of the Board of Directors.

Michael Shindler will take a lead on making a new document in the board google drive folder for future members. Dave will assist.

7.6 Meeting Hours for Board Meetings

Traditionally the Board has met from 7:00 pm until 11:00 pm for board meetings. A question has been raised if the time board meetings are scheduled should be adjusted to take in account the time zone of the meeting location.

Question: Should the time Board meetings be scheduled to take into account the time zone in which the meeting is taking place.

Continue discussion in the future. Decide if we want to try something for the Fall 2024 meeting at the Spring 2024 meeting.

8 Future

8.1 Usability and Maintenance of Board Documents

The Board needs to undertake a thorough examination of where we archive our important documents, the policies that govern their maintenance. As an example, we do not have a copy of the Bylaws beyond the one which the webmaster maintains on our web page. Admittedly, changes to our sit le are available via the Wayback Machine site. The wisdom in relying on an external site, which is not secure, for a backup of our defining document is questionable. Other examples include board policies, like the travel reimbursement policy addressed in the new business section above. Policies adopted by the board are available in the minutes archive, which is, again, housed on our website. The searchability of this archive is limited.

At a minimum, the board needs to examine the creation of a permanent archive for the Bylaws, the minutes, and policies, which are not standing rules, adopted by the board. The archive of the minutes and the policies need to be searchable.

9 Announcements

10 Adjourn