

September 12, 2007

Education Board Conference Call Notes

Participants:

Andrew McGettrick, Chair
Boots Cassel
Dan Garcia
Mark Guzdial
John Impagliazzo
Lillian Israel
Jane Prey
Eric Roberts
Chris Stephenson
Heikki Topi

1. Minutes of last meeting were accepted without correction.
2. Status of Ed Board Conference Call Action Items:
 - Andrew needs to contact Eydie Lawson regarding the IT Report: Andrew has contacted Eydie but has not received a response. Barry Lunt contacted Andrew; **New Action Item:** Andrew and Boots will develop an appropriate response.
 - Andrew needs to complete FY'07 Education Board Annual Report: Andrew is finishing up report and will circulate to Board members this week. **New Action Item:** Board members should review it and get back to Andrew with any feedback by Monday, Sept. 17th, the latest.
 - Alan should follow-up with Lecia Barker, NCWIT, and Booch with direction from Andrew: Alan has followed up on this.
 - Andrew will invite Beth Hawthorne (TYC) to the upcoming Ed Council Meeting: Andrew has invited Beth to Ed Council meeting and she will be attending.
 - Andrew to let Beth know she will have to contact SIGCSE directly about having a TYC track: Andrew has taken care of this?
 - Lillian to contact Beth about having ACM host the TYC website: Beth has already had contact with ACM IS about the hosting of the TYC website.
 - Andrew to review the Discussion Paper regarding the Board's and Council's '07 and '08 priorities: Andrew will be doing prior to Ed Council Meeting?
 - Boots will investigate the Masters level area for having an ACM initiative: Boots will make a presentation about this at Ed Council Meeting.

- Andrew will communicate with Andy at CRA regarding the Ed Board/NSF summit meeting: As soon as Andrew determines meeting logistics with Harriet.
- Boots, Jane, and John will help define the goals and recommend who should be at the Ed Board/NSF summit meeting and who should help with the media: They did in fact help define the goals and gave their input to Heikki?
- Heikki will draft an initial “goal statement” and distribute to the Board for the summit meeting. Heikki also worked on goals and circulated a document to Ed Board members. Heikki got very few comments. Andrew indicated that he’d rather hold off discussing goals and attendees with Harriet until the logistics are determined?
- Task Force Chairs need to email Andrew a summary (~ 200-300 words) of their Task Force’s progress for inclusion in an education activities newsletter by Friday, September 7th: These summaries were received by Andrew?
- All Ed Council members need to email Andrew about the educational activities that they represent by Friday, September 7th: This did not happen but Andrew will ping Ed Council members one more time.
- Andrew will prepare a draft newsletter for consideration at upcoming the Ed Council meeting: Andrew has already prepared this newsletter and circulated it.
- Lillian and Alan to prepare a baseline document, for the upcoming Ed Council Meeting, about what educational activities are currently going on within ACM subunits: Lillian and Alan are working on this and will submit a first draft to Andrew by the end of September, the latest.
- Andrew to consider having Ed Council members prepare “position statements” [for the meeting] on topics such as the nature of programming, the role of programming, as well as other topics relevant to the Crisis. He should ask Council members who could take charge of these various areas/activities surrounding the crisis. Andrew, what to say here?
- Andrew needs to ask Council members for 2-3 bullet points on what they think should be done at the upcoming Council meeting - what should be added, dropped, what should have happened that did not happen. Andrew needs to ping members again on this - only received feedback from Maggie Johnson? Andrew, does this duplicate the point above about “position statements”?

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4. ACM Ed Board/Summit Meeting:

Heikki indicated that there should be very concrete goals for this meeting. Mark suggested that the Board might want to entertain several different approaches to this summit. The different possible approaches should be discussed at the upcoming Seattle meeting. We also need to know the approach that the NSF would want to take apropro the enrollment crisis.

Perhaps we should look at some of the BPC and CPATH proposals to see who is proposing what and ask those PI's to come to this meeting as well. Boots indicated that we need a realistic view of the computing situation. In order to discuss this issue we need to have the accurate enrollment statistics of the current state for all the computing disciplines; in certain computing disciplines, things may be turning around. Alan has checked with his contact regarding enrollment statistics and they won't be available until SIGCSE-time. CRA's statistics are also not available now. Heikki said the IS community is also hungry for stats.

One of the items to explore at the Summit might be the lack of statistics available about computing disciplines and what to do about that. Chris indicated that in the K-12 arena there is a gap in applications vs. enrollments, so it's hard to get a fix there. Then there are schools like University of Washington that has a mandatory computing course - how does a course like this figure into the statistics?

It was suggested that we look at the items that came up at the December 2006 Ed Council Meeting that members said we should be focusing on; this might give us fodder for the Summit.

5. Two-Year College Committee:

Andrew circulated the Two-Year College Committee Report (that will be included with the Ed Board Annual Report) for Board comment. Andrew indicated that we should commend Beth on the report. At the Seattle meeting, however, John indicated that we might want to talk with Beth about expanding representation on the committee to include representatives from outside the U.S. The committee had been directed to not lose their focus, so it is important to not overwhelm them with "to do's" perhaps at this point in time. **Action Item:** Andrew and John should discuss the internationalization point with Beth at the meeting.

6. Upcoming Ed Council Meeting:

Andrew circulated a draft agenda for the upcoming Ed Council meeting. Heikki indicated that he would like to make a presentation on behalf of his Task Force on the careers website. **Action Item:** Andrew will work this into the agenda.