The Pennsylvania Association of Computer and Information Science Educators

Executive Board Meeting

Lock Haven University (hosting the teleconference)
Friday, January 24, 2014
3:00 PM

Present:

Bloomsburg       Robert Montante
California        Lisa Kovalchick
Clarion           Soo Kim
East Stroudsburg  James Emert (3:12)
Edinboro          Joseph Molnar
Kutztown          Yong Zhang
Lock Haven        Mark Jones
Millersville      David Hutchens
Shippensburg      Dave Mooney
Slippery Rock     Paul Mullins
West Chester      Afrand Agah

1. The meeting was called to order.
   a. September minutes:
      • Minutes from the September Board meeting were approved with no corrections. (Jones, Montante)
   b. Treasurer's Report (see attached):
      • Treasurer's report was approved. (Hutchens, Jones)
      • All members have paid their dues for 2014 except for Harrisburg University of Science and Technology. Email notification bounced.
      • Haven't received surplus from last year's conference yet. J. Emert was going to make sure everything was taken care of at East Stroudsburg after the conference before sending it on.
   c. Announcements:
      • P. Mullins announced that the PACISE website has been updated.
2. Spring 2014 conference at California.
   a. Lodging arranged, programming contest set up.
   b. Schedule will be published once submissions evaluated.
   c. Conference web site needs to be linked to PACISE web site
   d. Keynote speaker: Tim Cannon from Grindhouse Wetware.
      i. Topic is *transhumanism* – embedding computers in bio-organisms.
      ii. Bio and link to company on conference web site.
   e. Sponsors are being sought.
   f. Question re how many programming teams on average per conference?
      i. About 20.
   g. Awards for programming team winners and best papers were discussed.
      i. What were awarded at the past few conferences?
      ii. Final decision:
         1. $100 per student for first place programming team.
         2. $75 per student for second place programming team.
         3. $50 per student for third place programming team.
         4. $200 per best paper.
   h. Certificates of participation will be presented to programming team members and paper submissions.
   i. Question re important dates.
      i. Referred to conference site.
   j. Request to members to ask faculty interested in reviewing to contact D. Mooney.
   k. (online discussion 02/10) Question was raised as to cost for members’ spouses who attend the conference.
      i. After discussion, will charge student rates this year.
      ii. Will revisit the issue at next meeting.

3. Future conference sites
   a. 2015 Indiana
   b. 2016 Edinboro
   c. 2017 Harrisburg
   d. 2018 Kutztown
   e. 2019 Shippensburg
   f. 2020 West Chester
   g. 2021 Slippery Rock
4. Other Business
   a. Proposed that date for winter meeting be changed.
      i. Members in attendance were polled with no consensus.
      ii. Decided to poll those not in attendance (keeping as is vs moving back a week).
      iii. A vote will be taken at next meeting.
   b. J. Emert - Chair of East Stroudsburg’s Technology Committee – does it warrant a birds-of-a-feather session?
      i. Suggested he submit a proposal.
   c. P. Mullins- Asked if any response to the request for info re gen ed offerings from the last meeting.
      i. M. Jones – Lock Haven has computational thinking course.
         1. Not sure what will be done beyond this.
      ii. L. Kovalchik – Have technology literacy course.
         Reduced from 6 to 3 credits under current curriculum.
      iii. P. Mullins – Colleagues think students think they’re literate already.
      iv. J. Emert – East Stroudsburg’s provost has the same opinion.
      v. R. Montante – Problems getting people to teach gen ed courses.
         General discussion of using part-time faculty for this and limitations of full-time to part-time ratio mandated by CVA.
   d. Job fair status.
      i. Y. Zhang reported that conference rooms are available at Dixon Center every Friday in September/October at a cost of $200 and $250.
      ii. Suggested that each school invite its employers to participate, and schools with graduate programs promote their programs.
      iii. Question of whether students from distant schools would travel the distance to attend?
      iv. Would employers travel that distance?
         1. Attraction to employers is that would have students from 14 schools.
      v. Suggested that we try it at this year’s conference with grad programs.
         1. Students will not have to make an extra drive to attend.
         2. California will see if local employers have an interest.
         3. Proposed Friday 12 to 5.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00. (Mooney, Jones)

Respectfully submitted by Dave Mooney, 04/03/2014
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East Stroudsburg has not paid it's 2011 dues as of yet. No surplus rcvd from East Stroudsburg for their conference as of yet.