**CCSC Fall 2024 Board Meeting**

Courtyard Flagstaff
Flagstaff AZ

Thursday, October 17, 2024
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm (Mountain Standard Time)<<--AZ TIME

Virtual Meeting Link
Zoom:
https://csuchico.zoom.us/j/89920615227?pwd=ObTr5G9zxzvl4k72Wu2RrZoT1zwZkM.1

Meeting ID: 899 2061 5227
Passcode: 512881

# 1  Opening and Approval of the Agenda

President Bryan Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:18pm

**Attending in person:** Karina Assiter, Cathy Bareiss, Shereen Khoja, Karen Works, Mika Lee Morgan, Haiyan Cheng, Mohamed Lotfy, Ed Lindoo, David Largent, Judy Mullins, Michael Shindler, Abbas Attarwala

**Attending remotely:** Bryan Dixon, George Dimitoglou, Michael Flinn, Mark Bailey, Brian Hare

Cathy Bareiss moved to approve the agenda. Haiyan Cheng seconded. The agenda was approved.

# 2  Welcome

New Members
Abbas Attarwala – Publication Chair
Ben Tribelhorn - Northwestern Representative
Mika Morgan - South Central Representative
Karen Works - Southeastern Representative

Temporary Members
Haiyan Cheng – Northwestern Representative Proxy

Members with New Responsibilities
Bryan Dixon - President
Shereen Khoja - Vice President/President-Elect

# 3 Future Board Meetings

### 3.1 Spring 2025 Meeting
The Spring 2025 Board of Directors meeting and the CCSC Annual Business Meeting will be in conjunction with the SIGCSE Technical Symposium 2025 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, February 26th, from 7 pm until 11 pm. The audit committee will meet before the meeting via Zoom so the Comptroller can bring issues to this meeting on the 26th. The CCSC Annual Meeting of the Membership will be held on Friday, February 28. Rooms for these meetings have not yet been determined.

### 3.2 Fall 2025 Meetings
In this order, we normally follow a sequence of meetings at the fall conference as approved at our last meeting: RM, EA, MW, SE, NW. Since we are currently meeting at CCSC:RM the Fall 2025 meeting should be held in conjunction with CCSC:EA in Fall 2025.

**Action Item:** Approve the location of the Fall 2025 board meeting.

The board meeting will be held in conjunction with CCSC:EA at Arcadia University. The meeting will be on October 16, 2025 from 7-11pm. Board members fly into Philadelphia. The CCSC:EA Conference will be on October 17-18, 2025.

Moved by Cathy Bareiss, seconded by Mika Morgan. Motion carries.

# 4 Elections & Appointments

### 4.1 Nominating Committee
Two regional representatives are needed to serve on the Nominating Committee, which the Vice President, Shereen Khoja, will chair.

Positions elected in the Spring of 2025:
- Membership Secretary
- Midsouth Representative
- Northeastern Representative
- Rocky Mountain Representative

**Action Item:** Appoint two regional representatives whose terms do not expire in 2025 to the Nominating Committee for the 2025 Spring Elections.

The Nominating Committee for the 2025 Spring Elections will be:
Vice President Shereen Khoja (chari), Judy Mullins, Mika Morgan.

**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.

<span style="color:red">The Finance Committee is Ed Lindoo (treasurer), George Dimitoglou (Comptroller), and the associate treasurer. The associate treasurer position is currently vacant.</span>

**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**.**

<span style="color:red">We need members of CCSC who have some kind of financial experience to work with the Comptroller. The Comptroller will check with previous members. If they're still willing to serve, they will remain on the audit committee, otherwise George will seek additional nominations.</span>

# 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 (Bryan Dixon)

Nothing to report beyond what's on the agenda.

Respectively submitted,

Bryan Dixon, President

### 5.1.2 Report of the Vice President (Shereen Khoja)

**CCSC Business Model**

We voted to add the [CCSC business model to our website](#). Thank you Ed Lindoo for your work on this and thank you Deborah Hwang for updating the website right away!

I am requesting information from spring conference chairs in order to submit the in-cooperation agreements for SIGCSE.

## 5.1.3  Report of the Treasurer (Ed Lindoo)

**CCSC**
**External Income and Expenses**
**August 1, 2023 - July 31, 2024**

| | CCSC | | SE | EA | MW | NW | RM | SC | CP | NE | SW | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Income** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45000 Investments | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45030 Interest-Savings, Short-term CD | 6,145.66 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total 45000 Investments | $ 6,145.66 | $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 | | |
| 48400 Other Types of Income | | | | | | | | | 1,500.00 | | | |
| UPE Contribution | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | |
| National partners | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| Flat rate CCSC membership fee | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CCSC Headcount charge | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 48430 Miscellaneous Revenue | 405.99 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total 48400 Other Types of Income | $ 1,205.99 | $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 2,300.00 $ | 800.00 $ | 800.00 | |
| 47200 Program Income | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47230 Direct Membership Dues | $ 50.00 | | | | 445.00 | | | | 495.00 | | | |
| Total 47200 Program Income | | $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 445.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 495.00 $ | 0.00 | | |
| PayPal Sales | $ 380.00 | | 8,675.00 | 20,230.00 | 9,405.00 | 4,680.00 | 3,530.00 | 2,840.00 | 9,800.00 | 23,752.00 | 3,655.00 | |
| Uncategorized Income | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Total Income** | $ 1,635.99 | $ | 9,475.00 $ | 21,030.00 $ | 10,650.00 $ | 5,480.00 $ | 4,330.00 | $3,640.00 $ | 12,595.00 $ | 24,552.00 $ | 4,455.00 | 88,207.00 |
| **Total Investments** | $ 6,145.66 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Gross Profit** | $ 7,781.65 | $ | 9,475.00 $ | 21,030.00 $ | 10,650.00 $ | 5,480.00 $ | 4,330.00 | $3,640.00 $ | 12,595.00 $ | 24,552.00 $ | 4,455.00 | 88,207.00 |
| **Expenses** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 80900 Business Expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 80960 Reimbursed Conference expense | 10,700.41 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 80961 catering | | | 5,624.00 | 12,234.30 | 2,220.00 | 4,269.41 | 1,314.19 | 720.14 | 5,556.00 | 13,000.00 | 830.42 | 45,768.46 |
| 80962 facility & equip rentals | | | | | | | | | | 295.00 | | 295.00 |
| 80966 Speaker & Entertainment | | | | | | 350.00 | | | 299.00 | 1,346.15 | | 1,995.15 |
| 80967 awards | | | 184.70 | 1,075.00 | 404.75 | 350.00 | | | 1,000.04 | 1,460.00 | 225.00 | 4,699.49 |
| 80971 signage and web expense | | | | | | | | | | 450.58 | | |
| 80972 publicity materials & distribution | | | | 2,383.02 | | | | | 58.40 | | | 2,441.42 |
| 80976 conf travel & committee exp | 10,691.90 | | | 102.50 | | 310.07 | | | 40.00 | 2,996.52 | | 3,449.09 |
| 80978 Other conference expense | | | | | 28.39 | | | | 216.29 | 300.00 | | 544.68 |
| Total 80960 Reimbursed Conference expense | $ 21,392.31 | $ | 5,808.70 $ | 15,794.82 $ | 2,653.14 $ | 5,279.48 $ | 1,314.19 $ | 720.14 $ | 7,169.73 $ | 19,387.67 $ | 1,055.42 | 69,193.29 |
| 80980 Journal Expense | $ 275.00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total 80900 Business Expenses | $ 21,667.31 | $ | 5,808.70 $ | 15,794.82 $ | 2,653.14 $ | 5,279.48 $ | 1,314.19 $ | 720.14 $ | 7,169.73 $ | 19,387.67 $ | 1,055.42 | 69,193.29 |
| 82100 Contract Services | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 82150 Outside Contract Services | 4,816.96 | | | | | | | | | 500.00 | | 500.00 |
| Total 82100 Contract Services | $ 4,816.96 | $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 500.00 $ | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| 85000 Operations | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 85060 Telephone, Telecommunications | 261.89 | | | | | | | | 194.67 | | | 194.67 |
| Total 85000 Operations | $ 261.89 | $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 194.67 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 | 194.67 |
| 85100 Other Types of Expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 85120 Insurance - Liability, D and O | 582.00 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 85160 Other Costs | 10.00 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 85180 PayPal Fees | 1,236.08 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| Total 85100 Other Types of Expenses | $ 1,828.08 | $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 $ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 88300 Travel and Meetings | 27.00 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| 88310 Conference, Convention, Meeting | 4,063.32 | | | | | | | | 40.09 | 1,938.59 | | 1,978.68 |
| 88320 Travel | 17,878.50 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |
| Total 88300 Travel and Meetings | 21,968.82 | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 40.09 | 1,938.59 | | 1,978.68 |
| **Sum Expenses** | 50,543.06 | | 5,808.70 | 15,794.82 | 2,653.14 | 5,279.48 | 1,314.19 | 720.14 | 7,404.49 | 21,836.26 | 1,055.42 | 61,866.64 |
| Flat rate CCSC membership fee | (9,000.00) | | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 9,000.00 |
| CCSC Headcount charge | (16,318.00) | | 2,132.00 | 3,198.00 | 1,763.00 | 1,312.00 | 861.00 | 697.00 | 1,968.00 | 3,567.00 | 820.00 | 16,318.00 |
| **Total CCSC charges** | (25,318.00) | | 3,132.00 | 4,198.00 | 2,763.00 | 2,312.00 | 1,861.00 | 1,697.00 | 2,968.00 | 4,567.00 | 1,820.00 | 25,318.00 |
| **Total Expenses** | 25,225.06 | | 8,940.70 | 19,992.82 | 5,416.14 | 7,591.48 | 3,175.19 | 2,417.14 | 10,372.49 | 26,403.26 | 2,875.42 | 87,184.64 |
| **Net Operating Income** | (17,443.41) | | 534.30 | 1,037.18 | 5,233.86 | (2,111.48) | 1,154.81 | 1,222.86 | 2,222.51 | (1,851.26) | 1,579.58 | 9,022.36 |
| **Net Result from regions** | 9,022.36 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Overall profit/loss** | (8,421.06) | | | | | | | | | | | |

As you can see, for our yearly report we are $8,421.06 in the red. We had two conferences that came in over budget while the others were positive.

On a positive note, we shifted a good amount of our cash reserves from saving accounts to CD @5% interest rate and are now on target to generate about $8,000 this year.

CCSC financial status as the end of fiscal year 23-24

| Assets & Liabilities | | |
|---|---|---|
| As of July, 21, 2024 | | |
| | | |
| ASSETS: | | |
| Bank of America Checking | $5,225.01 | |
| Bank of America CD | $51,647.55 | |
| Wells Fargo Checking | $524.06 | |
| Wells Fargo CD | $123,962.40 | |
| PayPal | $8,753.07 | |
| **Total Assets:** | | $190,112.09 |
| | | |
| LIABILITIES: | | |
| BoA Credit Card | $200.00 | |
| | | |
| **Total Liabilities:** | | $200.00 |
| | | |
| **NET BALANCE:** | | $189,912.09 |

All account balanced and reconciled every month.

**Notables:**

- Our year-end tax report was filed August 24th, 2024 (Due December 1).
- Renewed our non-profit status with the state of Indiana.
- Tax return and Indiana information posted on our website.
- UPE numbers were reported to our sponsor on August 23, 2024.
- Gaggle mail; purchased one year for $20 covers us through April 20, 2025. Received an email 8/8/24 that rates are going up. Minimum rate will be $100 per year, but we will get a 50% discount.
- Quickbooks online (QBO): We have used QBO for years. Cost was $2,400 yearly. They sent an email August 1, 2023, stating they were raising rates by 20% to $2,880. Not happy with that, I called in and negotiated a new deal at 50% of the current rate. We're now paying $1,440 yearly.
- We've done well with our two CD's. As anticipated, we're on-track to make about $8,000 by December. However, this will be less next year as rates are dropping.
- As you know, Brian Hare has resigned as associate treasurer. We need a new volunteer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion: Turn in receipts for reimbursement within two months. Reimbursements not accepted after 60 days not accepted.
  Moved by Ed Lindoo, seconded by Michael Shindler. Motion is approved.

- Awards to be paid by gift cards.
  The Issue is that checks are sent out to students but they might not be cashed. It is also time-consuming to issue all checks.

  **Request is that everyone use gift cards as much as possible.**

- Author registration. Who actually needs to pay?
  Right now only one author must attend and pay the author/attendee rate. The question is whether every author should pay something. **No change for now.**

- We need to discuss the income and expense report in more detail. How can we cut expenses?
- Need to discuss how and when budgets are done and due. Change by-laws

13. In addition to duties defined in regional Bylaws, Regional ==Treasurer==s shall:

    a. Submit proposed Conference Budgets to the Comptroller in sufficient time for

       CCSC Board approval one year in advance of the region's conference.

## STANDING RULE(S) FOR ARTICLE VII

1. Conference budgets must be submitted by the region and approved by the CCSC

   Board one year in advance of the conference.

**It's no longer one year in advance. It's now June 30 each year.**

**Modify the Standing Rule for Article VII on the website so that it reflects that budgets are due on June 30.**

- Change title page on our Journals. I spent a lot of time getting Regis University to accept our journal as a valid publication for recognition by our Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) committee. However, they view us as conference proceedings (which carries less weight than a journal) because that is what our journal says we are. Scott Sigman suggested we simply have the editor change that going forward.
  After some discussion, it was decided there will be no change to the journal name.

- SIGSCE. Should we make the [Westin](#) our conference hotel? Suggest we book rooms now. I have negotiated an executive conference room for $600 per night.
  Recommendation: All board members who are attending SIGCSE should book SIGCSE hotel rooms as soon as possible.

### 5.1.4 Report of the Publications Chair (Abbas Attarwala)

| Conference | Journal Status |
|---|---|
| Midwest | completed |
| Rocky Mountain | completed |
| Northwest | in progress |
| Southeast | just started |

We must discontinue the use of the Word template currently available for authors to submit their work. If the Word template remains available, it is crucial that regional editors/authors convert submissions into the appropriate LaTeX format.

**Request is that regional editors convert everything to LaTeX.**

### 5.1.5 Report of the Membership Secretary (Cathy Bareiss)

CCSC Membership Secretary Report
Fall 2024

| | Average | 15/16 | 16/17 | 17/18 | 18/19 | 19/20 | 20/21 | 21/22 | 22/23 | 23/24 | 24/25 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CP | 41.8 | 51 | 42 | 60 | 24 | X | 46 | 50 | 49 | 54 | |
| EA | 72.9 | 62 | 86 | 73 | 71 | 63 | 71 | 76 | 75 | 79 | |
| MS | 29.0 | 34 | 29 | 32 | 31 | 19 | X | X | X | NA | |
| NW | 47.1 | 50 | 48 | 58 | 71 | 39 | 54 | 32 | 39 | 33 | |
| NE | 81.7 | 97 | 113 | 100 | 82 | 37 | 60 | 82 | 86 | 78 | |
| MW | 40.1 | 36 | 29 | 35 | 44 | 39 | 27 | 52 | 39 | 48 | 52 |
| RM | 25.0 | 25 | 21 | 34 | 44 | 25 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 22 | |
| SC | 26.3 | 31 | 36 | 38 | 34 | 16 | 23 | 22 | 22 | 15 | |
| SE | 43.4 | 54 | 62 | 46 | 42 | 43 | 60 | 32 | X | 52 | |
| SW | 19.6 | 21 | 19 | 31 | 24 | 21 | 10 | 13 | 20 | 17 | |
| MEM | 10.9 | 15 | 10 | 20 | 11 | 12 | 2 | 7 | 14 | 7 | |
| totals | 423.6 | 476 | 495 | 527 | 478 | 314 | 371 | 384 | 362 | 405 | |

Membership

| | Feb 2022 | Nov 2022 | 03/23 | 04/23 | 10/23 | 03/24 | 10/24 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Members | 426 | 597 | 528 | 638 | 575 | 579 | 588 |
| Expiring end of semester | | 73 | 68 | 65 | 119 | 94 | 101 |

**Thoughts**
- Virtual coolers are still happening.  Small attendance but still appreciated and require little effort.
- Overall numbers seem steady. Regions should look at their numbers.
- Google resources seem to be working.
- If there is someone that wants the job, that is fine with me.  I am also willing to continue as needed.

## 5.1.6 National Partners Chair (Karina Assiter)

## Current National Partners List



| | | | | | | | | | Primary Contact | | | Alternate Contact | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Good standing | Partner | Level | Income | Member since | Paid Date | Last Welcome (back) Sent | Last Renew Request | Expires or Expired | Name | Email | Phone | Name | Email | Phone | Notes |
| √ | ACM ACM2Y & CCECC joint Gold membership | Gold | 2,000 | 9/13/2023 | 8/4/2024 | 8/5/2024 | | 6/30/2025 | Marcus Geissler (ACM CCECC) | geisslm@CRC.losrios.edu | 916-692-9155 | Cara Tang ACM2Y | cara.tang@pcc.edu | | Joint ACM2Y and CCECC Gold |
| √ | CodeGrade | Gold | 2,000 | 3/22/2024 | 3/22/2024 | 3/22/2024 | | 6/30/2025 | Youri Voet | youri@codegrade.com | | | | | |
| √ | CodeZinger | Silver | 1,000 | 9/27/2024 | 9/27/2024 | 9/27/2024 | | 6/30/2025 | Bhaskar Rao | bhaskar.rao@codezinger.com | | | | | |
| √ | GitHub | Gold | 2,000 | 6/26/2024 | 6/26/2024 | 6/27/2024 | | 6/30/2025 | Elise Hollowed | elisemoe@github.com | | | | | |
| √ | Rephactor | Gold | 2,000 | 5/17/2022 | 8/1/2024 | 7/11/2023 | | 6/30/2025 | Dr. Tom Way | drtomway@gmail.com | 302-463-7462 | | | | |
| | | Total Income | 9,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Links on sheet:
https://www.conftool.org/ccsc-renew
CCSC National Partners and Logos
National Partner Levels and Benefits

Email alias: partners@ccsc.org

The updated National Partners list in the **board/National Partners** folder should always have the current list of National partners.   Note that important National Partner links are included on the sheet, including a reference to the list of National Partner Levels and Benefits.

## Changes
We've had 2 new National Partners join (CodeGrade and CodeZinger) and one rejoin (GitHub) since our spring 2024 board meeting.

## Coordination between National Partners and regions.
I refer our National Partners to the **region representatives** when they join, since this contact information:

- Changes less frequently
- Is standard across regions
- Is always current on the CCSC website.

Certainly, the representatives can then direct the partners to the conference chairs (or site chairs), depending on how business is done in the regions.

Thanks everyone for being flexible when National Partners contact you close to the date of the conference and expect accommodation (i.e., tables, time for a presentation, etc..); you do an amazing job of fitting them in! I imagine even if we standardized the process (dates by which they should contact regions), Partners would still

be registering at the last minute (i.e., if they didn't know if they could attend until the last minute).  In some cases, regions are proactive about contacting Partners, or just expect them to attend.

**Possible new business discussion**
- Improve process by which National Partners receive/access (and regions provide) [benefits](benefits)?
  **Recommendation: Encourage program chairs to contact all national partners early to ask if they want to be added to the program.**
- What are the experiences of regions accommodating the National Partners, keeping track of what they should receive?

Respectfully submitted,

Karina Assiter, National Partners Chair

# 5.2   Regional Reports

## 5.2.1  Central Plains (Judy Mullins)

**Regional Elections**
In spring elections, Joan Gladbach was elected regional editor.  Ajay Bandi was re-elected regional treasurer. Their terms will expire in 2027.

**Central Plains Conference 2024**
Our 30th annual conference was held at Graceland University in Lamoni, Iowa April 5-6, 2024.  We were delighted to be hosted in Iowa for the first time!

A pre-conference workshop titled "*Distributing, Collecting, and Autograding Assignments with GitHub Classroom*," sponsored by the SIGCSE Speaker's Fund, was conducted by Carter Zenke, Harvard University and Charlie Liu, Yale University. The opening keynote speaker was Dr. Monica McGill, Founder, President, and CEO Institute for Advancing Computer Education.  Her talk was titled "*Navigating the Technological Tide:  How Leveraging Past Perspectives Can Help You Create Sound Software for Everyone*." The banquet speaker was Mr. Kevin Juhnke, Director of Enterprise Architecture Principal Financial Group. Her talk was titled "*Perspectives on Technology's Impact on Financial Services and the Future Workforce*."

The conference sponsored a poster contest, a programming contest and a hackathon contest for students.  There was also a student papers session. Also featured were lightning talks, nifty assignments, 2 workshops and a panel.  9 papers were presented (56% acceptance rate).  Total attendance was up slightly from last year: 48 regular faculty, 95 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)

Winning teams and their products were:

- *Best in Show* – The Big Bug – UMKC
  - o  Product: Playful Plates
  - o  Katy Nguyen, Brandon Alvarez, Sofie Flamm, Zaid Albayati and Miguel Flores
- *Most Promising Solution* – UCM Mules – UCM
  - o  Product: Show-Me Cupboard
  - o  Evan Perlinger, Julien Goolsby, Eric Price and Cooper Purvis
- *Honorable Mention* – Emu-lators - Augustana University
  - o  Product: ExPiro
  - o  Bibhu Lamichhane, Drishtant Bhandari, Quyen Doan and Riva Kansakar

## Student Programming Contest Winners

The programming contest followed the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest format.   The top three teams were awarded cash prizes partially sponsored by UPE.

| Rank | Team |
|---|---|
| 1 | Elijah Daugherty, Jacob Minder and Josiah Thiele from Southwest Baptist University |
| 2 | Adam Sherer, Jace Elliott and Jack Flickinger from Graceland University |
| 3 | Sean Coyle, Haebin Noh and Kevin Harris from Northwest Missouri State University |

## Student Poster Contest Winners

Graduate:
*Comparison of AI/ML and Generative AI Model based Chatbot Development*
Manasa Akula and Teja Reddy Dasari, Northwest Missouri State University

Undergraduate:
First place
*SegBuilder: Semi-automatic Annotation Tool for Semantic Segmentation*
Jacob Elafros, Sean Chen and Sameer Chaudhary, Drake University

Second place
*Compiling General Purpose Analog Computers to Population Protocols*
Nicholas Haisler, Drake University

Third place
*Unsupervised Human Fatigue Expression Discovery via Time Series Chain*
Adam Haroon, Drake University

## Central Plains Conference 2025
We are happy to announce that the 2025 conference will be hosted again in Iowa by Drake University in Des Moines, IA April 4-5, 2025.  Eric Manley 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 a programming contest.

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

**Future Conferences**
The site for the 2026 conference will be Ozark Technical Community College in Springfield, MO. Tiffany Ford will act as conference chair.

Respectively submitted,
Judy Mullins
Central Plains Representative

## 5.2.2 Eastern (Michael Flinn)

This report is being written and submitted before our 40th Annual Regional Conference (time to celebrate!), held in person on October 18-19, 2024, and hosted by Mount St. Mary's (The Mount), Emmitsburg, MD. Ruth Lamprecht and Scott Weiss from Mount St. Mary's University chaired the conference.

This year's conference is shaping up to be very exciting. We currently have 85 participants, 29 programming teams from many different colleges, exceptional Keynote and Banquet speakers, and multiple vendors planning to attend.

A Capture the Flag cybersecurity challenge is new to the conference. Virginia Tech Cyber Range will administer the challenges. This was our first competition, so we capped the event at 15 teams. Ten teams of six have registered for the event.

The conference accepted 20 papers out of 27 submitted and will have a workshop on *Using a Distinctive Curricular Design Process for Liberal Arts Computing*, among other exciting workshops, panels, and tutorials. The conference continues offering student paper presentations (nine papers) and a Nifty Ideas session inspired by the ACM SIGCSE nifty ideas and birds-of-a-feather sessions. In addition, we have 12 faculty posters and 18 student posters. It is important to note that student papers and posters are open to all levels of students. As a result, we have many undergraduate submissions in addition to the graduate and doctoral submissions.

The CCSC Eastern 2024 Capture the Flag challenge is on Friday, October 18[th,] from 4.15 to 9.30. Three trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and third-place teams. In future challenges, we hope to have a sponsor for gift card/cash awards. We appreciate the Virginia Tech Cyber Range for administering this event.

The CCSC Eastern 2024 Collegiate Programming Contest will be held in person on Saturday, October 19, from 9:00 am to 12:50 pm. Prizes will be awarded courtesy of Upsilon Pi Epsilon. First is three $100 gift cards, second is three $75 gift cards, and third prize is awarded three $50 gift cards.

Following the conference luncheon and awards ceremony, anyone interested in being on the committee for the 2025 conference can attend the post-conference meeting.

We are excited to announce that the 41s[t] Annual Conference will be held in person at Arcadia University, Glenside, PA, and chaired by Dr. Vitaly Ford and Dr. Yanxia Jia. The Call for Participation will be distributed at this year's conference and SIGCSE. Due to its proximity to a large city, this is also the planned location for the Fall 2025 board meeting for CCSC.

Tentative Future Hosts:

**Fall 2026** – Bowie State University, Bowie, MD,  host – Dr. Rose Shumba

**Fall 2027** – Haverford College, Haverford, PA, host - Dr. John P. Dougherty (JD)

We continue to add to our future hosting list, and I hope to maintain a substantial 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 by Michael B. Flinn, Eastern Regional Representative, on this cool (maybe even cold), cloudy (yet colorful) day on October 15, 2024.

## 5.2.3  Midsouth (David Naugler)

**<Nothing Submitted>**

## 5.2.4  Midwest (David Largent)

**2024 Conference**

We held our **31st CCSC-MW regional conference** on September 20-21, 2024, at **Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, Michigan**, accommodating both onsite and virtual participation of presenters and attendees. The conference included…

- 1 keynote address and 1 dinner address
- 13 paper submissions with 9 selected and presented (69.2%)
- 4 tutorials and 2 panels
- 6 nifty assignment presentations
- 6 works in progress presentations
- 1 pre-conference workshop
- 2 vendor presentations
- Student showcase competition, with 3 presentations, representing 3 institutions
- Student programming contest, with 8 teams competing, representing 5 institutions

We had the following people participate in the conference.

|              | Onsite | Virtual | Total |
|--------------|--------|---------|-------|
| Students     | 14     | 4       | 18    |
| Non-students | 62     | 1       | 63    |
| Total        | 76     | 5       | 81    |

Our **keynote speaker was David Clark** from Grand Valley State University, whose presentation was entitled "Raising the Bar: What Works, What Doesn't, and What to do Next with Alternative Grading." David Clark and Robert Talbert recently published the book *Grading for Growth*.

Our **dinner speaker was Jonathan "J" Tower** from Trailhead Technology Partners. His presentation was entitled "The Future Now: The Top Trends in Software Development." J Tower is a ten-time recipient of the Microsoft Most Valuable Professional (MVP) award.

The **Student Programming Contest** was divided into two tracks (novice and regular), to provide a more even playing field for those with less experience. The winners were:

**Novice - 1st Place**
Kephas Raimi, University of Indianapolis

**Regular - 1st Place**
Mackenzie White, Hawi Atinafu, Nahome Woinu, Minnesota State University Mankato

**Regular - 2nd Place**
Joan Gaine, Stephen West, Zach Winterfeldt, Minnesota State University Mankato

**Regular - 3rd Place**
Jonathan Gonzalez Martinez, Garrett Davis, University of Indianapolis

The results from the judging of the undergraduate **Student Showcase** follow.

**1st Place**
"Mexer: Materials, EXergy, and EneRgy Visualizer"
Kenneth Howes & Edom Maru, Calvin University

**2nd Place**
"Using a Haptic Sensor to Train Proper Grip in Tennis Players"
Mackenzie Niswonger & Christopher Laubach, Hope College

**3rd Place**
"Flood Detection Warning System"
Carter Meyer, The University of Wisconsin-Stout

The annual **Midwest Region General Business Meeting** was held after our dinner address and included selecting new regional officers. William Turner (Wabash College) was elected to serve as our

Regional Editor, and Jeff Lehman (Huntington University) was elected to serve as one of our regional at-large board members. Both terms end in 2027.

I would like to thank the **2024 conference committee** for their work to produce another great conference:

| Position | Name | Institution |
|---|---|---|
| Conference Chair | Jeff Lehman | Huntington University |
| Vice Conference Chair | Zaid Althaha | University of Wisconsin-Parkside |
| Site Chair | Zachary Kurmas | Grand Valley State University |
| Site Chair (Assistant) | Vijay Bhuse | Grand Valley State University |
| 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/Editor | Saleh Alnaeli (2024) | University of Wisconsin-Stout |
| Past Conference Chair | David Largent | Ball State University |
| Programming Contest | Paul Talaga | University of Indianapolis |
| Programming Contest (Assistant) | Md Haque | Butler University |
| Programming Contest (Assistant) | Nathan Sommer | Xavier University |
| Publicity | David Largent | Ball State University |
| Registrar | Lucy La Hurreau (2025) | Ivy Tech Community College |
| Registrar (Assistant) | Deborah Hwang | University of Evansville |
| Speakers (Keynote & Dinner) | Stefan Brandle | Taylor University |
| Speakers (Assistant) | William Turner | Wabash College |
| Student Showcase | David Largent | Ball State University |
| Student Showcase (Assistant) | Andy Harris | Ball State University |
| Treasurer | Dominic Wilson (2026) | University of Findlay |
| Two-year College Liaison | Kris Roberts | Ivy Tech Community College |
| Vendors | Takako Soma | Illinois College |
| Webmaster | Michael Rogers (2025) | University of Wisconsin Oshkosh |
| Webmaster (Assistant) | William Turner | Wabash University |
| Regional Representative | David Largent (2026) | Ball State University |
| CCSC At-Large Board Member | Kris Roberts (2024) | Ivy Tech Community College |
| CCSC At-Large Board Member | Karl Schmitt (2026) | Trinity Christian College |

**Future Conferences**

We expect to hold our fall 2025 conference at Wabash College but are yet to establish the date. We also have tentative commitments from two other institutions for 2026 and 2027 but are not yet ready to announce those locations.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Largent, Midwest Regional Representative

### 5.2.5 Northeastern (Mark Bailey)

**2024 Conference**

CCSC Northeast held its 28th annual conference at The College of Saint Rose in Albany, New York on April 12-13, 2024. Recall that Saint Rose announced that it would be closing at the end of the spring semester (May, 2024), just weeks after the conference. Everything went exceedingly smoothly thanks to the strong leadership of Ian MacDonald (Saint Rose) and Jim Teresco (Siena College). Even after the campus caterer pulled out just one week before the conference, Ian and Jim were able to book an outside caterer to fill the gap. No one at the conference was the wiser.

This year's conference saw the return to pre-2020 attendance with 87 regular attendees, 143 student registrations, and 3 vendors. 50% of registrants self-identified as presenters/authors. We hosted two plenary speakers: Stephen MacNeil (Temple University): "A (Brief) History of Generative AI in Computing Education: From Use Cases to Tools, Strategies, and Assessment", and Shaghayegh Sahebi (SUNY Albany): "Machine Learning for Human Learning: Complex Data Challenge."

The conference program was strong this year. The program included 13 papers (27 submitted, 48% acceptance), 5 lightning talks (5 submitted, 100% acceptance), 8 faculty posters (9 submitted, 89% acceptance), 6 tutorials (7 submitted, 86% acceptance), and 5 workshops (5 submitted, 100% acceptance). The student poster session had 46 posters and 89 participants.

This year's program included two new features. First, we merged faculty posters and lightning talks such that, once accepted, faculty could choose to present either a poster or a lightning talk, or both. This was of limited success this year because it wasn't clear to authors what the new format was. We are working to improve the communication about the format. Second, we piloted a faculty cohorts program. The idea is to have faculty with common interests (teaching an operating systems class, supervising undergraduate research, mentoring young faculty, etc.) meet at the conference and discuss the topic and develop collaborations that last beyond the conference and throughout the year.  Ali Erkan (Ithaca College) and Mike Gousie (Wheaton College) spearheaded this effort and report that it was a success. We will be expanding and formalizing the approach in 2025.

Mark Bailey presented Mark Hoffman (Quinnipiac University) with the Susan Dean award at the conference banquet.

**2025 Conference**

The Twenty-Ninth Annual CCSCNE conference will be held on April 4-5, 2025 at SUNY Brockport in Brockport, New York. Conference chairs are Adita Kulkarni (SUNY Brockport) and  Jim Teresco (Siena College).

**Other news**

The CCSCNE Board voted to rename the annual programming contest to the Frank Ford Memorial Programming Contest in memory of Frank Ford (Providence College) who was instrumental in supporting the programming contest for almost 30 years.

We have been making some major shifts in the way we support the conference committees and archive information. Starting with the 2025 conference, all committee communication and work will use the new CCSC.org Google Workspace. All contact email addresses point to roles instead of individuals (e.g., ne-conference-chairs@ccsc.org), and all documents are stored in matching accounts. We've also revamped our configuration of EasyChair to better support authors and communicate expectations. The submission system makes sure that authors know that presentations will be in-person, that authors must register and present their work, and that faculty research submissions must focus on computer science education. These changes should lead to a smoother conference and help us capture the hard work these committees do.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Bailey
Northeast Region Representative

## 5.2.6  Northwestern (Ben Tribelhorn/Haiyan Cheng)

### Report from 2024 Conference

The CCSC-NW 2024 Conference was a success. Willamette University hosted the conference after 20 years on October 11-12, 2024 at Willamette University in Salem, Oregon.

- **Conference Chair** - Lucas Cordova - lpcordova@willamette.edu - Willamette University
- **Site Chair** - Haiyan Cheng - hcheng@willamette.edu - Willamette University
- **Program Chair** - Bryan Fischer - fischerb@gonzaga.edu - Gonzaga University
- **Papers Chair** - Ben Tribelhorn - tribelhb@up.edu - University of Portland
- **Panels & Tutorials Chair** - John Stratton - strattja@whitman.edu - Whitman College
- **Speaker's Chair** -
- **Partners Chair** - Radana Dvorak - RDvorak@stmartin.edu - Saint Martin's University
- **Student Posters** Chair - Calvin Deutschbein - ckdeutschbein@willamette.edu - Willamette University

The program was composed of 11 peer-reviewed papers, 6 panels and tutorials, and a keynote address. All submissions underwent a rigorous peer review process, with 12 out of 18 papers being accepted, resulting in an acceptance rate of 67%. The Keynote speaker was Selena Deckelmann, Chief Product and Technology Officer from Wikimedia Foundation, who has discussed how Wikipedia utilizes AI.

There were 46 total in-person participants, among them 15 are students.

There were 9 student posters presented, with 3 competition winners:

| Poster authors | Title | Position |
|---|---|---|
| Taylor Wolff | EDUHints: A Dashboard for Generating Cybersecurity Hints on the CPU with A Small Language Model | First Prize |
| Connor Everetts | Exploring Andragogy Principles for Broadening Participation in Computing Education for Lifelong Learners | Second Prize |
| Daniel Neshyba-Rowe | Towards a Verified Network Stack | Third Prize |

## Planning for 2025 conference:

The CCSC-NW 2025 conference will be hosted by the Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington in October 2025. Specific date is TBD. The conference committee will be:

- **Conference Chair** - TBD
- **Site Chair** - Richard Weiss  - weissr@evergreen.edu - The Evergreen State College
- **Program Chair** - David Pouliot - pouliotd@sou.edu - Southern Oregon University
- **Papers Chair** - Lucas Cordova - lpcordova@willamette.edu - Willamette University
- **Panels & Tutorials Chair** - John Stratton - strattja@whitman.edu - Whitman College
- **Speaker's Chair** - TBD
- **Partners Chair** - Peter Drake - drake@lclark.edu - Lewis & Clark University
- **Student Posters** Chair - Fred Agbo - fjagbo@willamette.edu – Willamette University

## Update of the Challenges from last fall

One of the challenges from last fall was finding and keeping a webmaster. Lucas Cordova from Willamette University has taken on this role going forward.

## Changes

Shereen Khoja has been elected to be the VP for CCSC. The NW Regional Representative in the year of 2024-25 will be Haiyan Cheng (Willamette University), from 2025-2027, the regional representative will be Ben Tribelhorn (University of Portland).

Respectfully submitted,
Haiyan Cheng, Northwest Regional Representative

## 5.2.7  Rocky Mountain (Mohamed Lotfy)

### 33$^{rd}$ Rocky Mountain Region Conference 2024

The thirty third CCSC Rocky Mountain Region Conference will be held face-to-face on October 18-19, 2024, at Northern Arizona University (NAU). Nine papers were accepted for presentation (out of 14

submitted papers), two posters, as well as four tutorials. The review process resulted in a paper acceptance rate of 64.29%. At the time of writing this report, there are twenty authors/presenters who are registered to attend the conference. In addition, nine CCSC Board of Directors members, two CCSC National partners and a NAU student will be attending.

The website for the conference is at http://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/.  The program can be found at https://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/CallForPapers2024.pdf. Members of the conference committee can be found at  https://www.ccsc.org/rockymt/RMCCSCConferenceCommittee2024.pdf.

## 34ᵗʰ Rocky Mountain Region Conference 2025

The CCSC RM 34ᵗʰ conference will be held at Utah Valley University, Orem UT. The conference dates will be October 17-18, 2025.

34ᵗʰ CCSC Rocky Mountain Region Conference 2025 Board
CCSC Rep (Regional chair): TBD
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): Michael Leverington
Site Chair(s): TBD
Program Chair(s): Mohamed Lotfy
Student Programming/Cybersecurity Competition Chair: Dave Loper
Student Posters Chair: Michael Leverington & Ranjidha Rajan

## Regional Notes

- The 33ʳᵈ CCSC Rocky Mountain region conference will have two scholarly posters sessions for the second year in a row.

## Yearly Summary

| Year | Submissions | Papers | | | | Panels/Tutorials/Workshops | | | | Registrations | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Accept | Reject | Rate % | Total | Accept | Reject | Rate % | Total | Region | Student | 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% | 22 | 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 |
| 2024 | 20 | 14 | 9 | 4 | 64.29% | 4 | 4 | 0 | 100.00% | 32 | 19 | 2 | 9 | 2 |

Note: 2024 registration numbers are not final, they might grow, since the conference is on October 18-19, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Mohamed Lotfy, PhD

Rocky Mountain Region Representative.

## 5.2.8  South Central (Mika Morgan)

**2024 Conference**

The 35th Annual CCSC South Central Conference was hosted at Stephen F. Austin State University on Friday, April 5, 2024.  The conference site/program chair was Anne Marie Eubanks.  The program included papers, tutorials, nifty assignments, and a poster session.

There were 14 submitted papers of which 9 were selected, an acceptance rate of 64%; 7 posters were submitted, of which 5 showed; 1 tutorial was submitted and accepted.  Michael Coffee from Stephen F. Austin State University was the keynote speaker for the conference.

**2025 Conference**

The 36th Annual CCSC South Central Conference will be hosted by McNeese State University in Nacogdoches, TX on Friday, April 4, 2025.  The conference site/program chair is Vipin Menon.

**Conference Dates**:

| | |
|---|---|
| Monday, January 13, 2025: | Professional papers due |
| Friday, January 17, 2025: | Papers to reviewers |
| Monday, February 3, 2025: | Paper reviews due |
| Monday, February 3, 2025: | Deadline for tutorials and workshops |
| Monday, February 3, 2025: | Nifty Assignment due |
| Monday, February 3, 2025: | Posters due |
| Friday, February 7, 2025: | Steering Committee Meeting |
| Monday, February 10, 2025: | Notification of acceptance / rejection |
| Tuesday, February 18, 2025: | LaTeX final paper due |
| Tuesday, February 18, 2025: | Registration requirement for all presenters |

Friday April 4, 2025:              Conference @ McNeese

**Cost for 2023 conference:**  $160/$175, $75 for student & retirees
- $160/$175,
    - o  $160 until 3/30/2025
    - o  $175 3/31/2025 through conference
- $75 for student & retirees

**Conference Steering Committee:**
   Conference Host and Chair: Vipin Menon, McNeese State University
   Registrar: Anne Marie Eubanks, Stephen F. Austin State University
   Treasurer: <mark>Vacant</mark>
   Nifty Assignments Chair: Mika Morgan, Midwestern State University Texas
   Posters Chair: Shyam (Sam) Karrah, University of Texas, Dallas
   Regional Editor / Paper Chair: Mustafa Al-Lail, Texas A&M International University
   Moderator Chair: Vipin Menon, McNeese State University
   Panels and Tutorials Chair: Christian Servin, El Paso Community College
   Publicity Chair: Eduardo Colmenares-Diaz, Midwestern State University Texas
   National Board Representative: Mika Morgan, Midwestern State University Texas
   Reviewer Co-Chair: Lasanthi Gamage, Webster University
   Webmaster: Jeffery Zheng, Stephen F. Austin State University

Respectfully submitted,
Mika Morgan, South Central Regional Representative

## 5.2.9  Southeastern (Karen Works)

# Fall 2024 CCSC: Southeastern Conference

The 38th CCSC Southeastern Conference is scheduled for November 1-2, 2024, hosted by
Furman University in Greenville, SC.  This will be our sixth visit to Furman, and our first since 2017.

Kevin Treu (Furman) is the site chair, local arrangements chair, local publicity chair, and the speaker's
chair. He is supported by Kala Kennemore (vendors and local sponsor's chair, Furman), Andy Digh
(programming contest co-director, Mercer), Fahad Sultan (student research contest director, Furman),
Steven Benzel (nifty assignments co-chair, University of North Georgia) and Robert Lutz (nifty
assignments co-chair, Piedmont University).

 Karen Works (Florida State University) is chairing the regional board; Adam Lewis (Athens) and
Kevin Treu (Furman) are the program co-chairs.  Other regional board members are Tania Roy
(treasurer, North Central Florida), Stephen Carl (publicity, Sewanee), Jeanie French (local registrar,
Coastal), and Jonathan Cazalas (member at large, Florida Southern).

The scheduled program includes 14 papers, 4 workshops, 1 panel, 3 "nifty assignments" session, and a
session of student presentations from our student research competition.  It is only the second time since
2019 that we have had a packed program of four sessions with three tracks each.

A total of 40 regular papers were submitted (a nice improvement from 28 last year, 20 the year before, 14 in 2021, and 24 in 2019, though drastically down from 39 in 2020) of which 14 were accepted, for an acceptance rate of 23%, compared to 50% in 2024, 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.

The keynote address will be given by Dr. Carmen Pancerella (Principal Member of Technical Staff, Sandia National Laboratories). The banquet address will be given by Jennifer McHan Good (Group Vice President, HR Technology and Strategy Optimization).

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 31st annual programming contest – the deadline is October 18. 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 2.

## 2026-…. CCSC:Southeastern Conference

ETSU will host in 2026 (having last hosted in 1996), and Mercer University will host in 2027 for the first time. Several institutions have expressed interest in possibly hosting in 2028 or beyond, including potential new hosts Florida Southern, High Point University, and the University of West Florida, and Lenoir-Rhyne, which last hosted in 2005. No 2028 host has been finalized, however. We will continue to aggressively recruit new hosts, in hopes of cultivating organizers who are willing to be repeat hosts every 5-6 years.

## Other Regional Issues/Activities

*Leadership Changes* – Our changes in leadership are Karen Works (chairing the regional board, Florida State University), Tania Roy (treasurer, North Central Florida), and Jonathan Cazalas (member at large, Florida Southern). We hope to bring on more new volunteers and have them mentored by our seasoned leaders.

*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 2025.

*Overall, Health of the Region* – Our membership seems to be stagnant. We experienced a significant drop off in submissions nine 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 a trend of scrambling for hosts. Consequently, I have concerns about our

long-term health.  We are exploring ways to convey the intrinsic value of our conference to a wider audience.  I hope to discuss with other representatives marketing approaches.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Works
Southeastern Regional Representative

### 5.2.10    Southwestern (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

**2024 Conference**
Six papers were accepted (out of 11 papers submitted), lightning talks, partner talk from ACM2Y and ACM CCECC, poster session, and a panel discussion

**Southwestern Conference 2025**
- Location:  University of San Diego
- Date: March 28-29, 2025
- **Conference Organizers (tentative):**
    - **Conference Co-Chairs and also Site Chairs:**
      Sophia Krause-Levy (skrauselevy@sandiego.edu) and Sat Garcia (sat@sandiego.edu)

    - **Papers Chair:** Megan Thomas, CSU Stanislaus
    - **Nifty Tools & Assignments Chair**: Joshua Gross, CSU Monterey Bay jgross@csumb.edu
    - **Posters Chair:** Todd Gibson, CSU Chico, tagibson@csuchico.edu
    - **Speakers Co-Chair:**  Michael Shindler, UC Irvine, mikes@uci.edu
    - **Panels/Tutorials Chair:** Olivera Grujic, ogrujic@csustan.edu
    - **Lightning Talk Chair:** Shirin Haji Amin Shirazi, shaji007@ucr.edu
    - **Partner's Chair:** Michael Shindler, UC Irvine, mikes@uci.edu

**Conference Dates**

- Paper Submissions:  Wednesday, November 20, 2024
- Panel/Tutorial Submission: Friday December 13, 2024
- Paper Reviews: Friday December 27, 2024
- Notification of Acceptance: Wednesday, January 8, 2025
- Camera Ready Copy and Copyright Forms Due:  Tuesday, February 4, 2025
- Lightning Talk Abstract Submission:  Friday March 7, 2025
- Nifty Tools and Assignment Talks: Friday March 7, 2025

- Student Posters: March 7, 2025

Costs for 2025 Conference

- Registration:

**2026 Conference**
      TBD at the 2025 conference. One person has volunteered as a backup, although particulars of the planning need to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Shindler
Southwest Regional Representative

# 5.3  Other Reports

## 5.3.1  Service Recognition Committee (Mohamed Lotfy)

Committee is Mohamed Lotfy, Michael Flinn, and Amos Gichamba. There will be an awardee by February 2025.

https://www.ccsc.org/service-award/

## 5.3.2  Comptroller (George Dimitoglou)

**A. Conference Proposed Budgets**
In accordance with the Board's vote during the Spring 2024 Board Meeting (Sec. 8.3 *Change in Budget Process*) proposed conference budgets are to be submitted by June 30th each year. This was the first cycle implementing this process and it seems to have worked well, both in terms of having clarity as to when the proposed budgets are due, and for conferences submitting their budgets.

As of the filing of this report, Table 1 below reflects the status of the submitted budgets for conferences in 2024-2025. If any of the contact information appearing on the table is incorrect or is about to be changed in the coming months, please let me know.

**CCSC Conferences Proposed and Approved Budgets (2024-2025)**

| Region | Abbr | Treasurer | E-mail | Board Rep | Term | Conference | STATUS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Central Plains | CP | Ajay Bandi | ajay@nwmissouri.edu | Judy Mullins | Spring | April 2025 | Approved |
| Eastern Region | EA | Nathan Green | ngreen@marymount.edu | Michael Flinn | Fall | October 2024 | Approved |
| Midsouth | MS | Martha N. Harrell | mharrell3@atu.edu | David Naugler | Spring | n/a | n/a |
| Midwest | MW | Mary Jo Geise | geise@findlay.edu | David Largent | Fall | September 2024 | Approved |
| Northeastern | NE | Adrian Ionescu | ionescu@wagner.edu | Mark Bailey | Spring | April 2024 | Approved |
| Northwestern | NW | Dan Ford | dford@linfield.edu | Shereen Khoja | Fall | October 2024 | Approved |
| Rocky Mountain | RM | Ed Lindoo | elindoo@regis.edu | Mohamed Lotfy | Fall | October 2024 | Approved |
| South Central | SC | AnneMarie Eubanks | eubanksanne@sfasu.edu | Tina Johnson | Spring | May 2025 | Approved |
| Southeastern | SE | Tania Roy | troy@ncf.edu | Kevin Treu | Fall | Nov 2024 | Approved |
| Southwestern | SW | Michael Doherty | mdoherty@pacific.edu | Michael Shindler | Spring | March 2024 | Approved |

Table 1. Status of proposed and approved budgets for 2024-2025.

## B. Annual Audit Report

The Audit Committee will present the annual audit report for the 2023-2024 budget year during the Spring 2025 Board meeting. This year, the audit committee intends to complete its annual audit before the Board meeting. As such, there will be no need for a room reservation during SIGCSE for the audit review. The Comptroller will report on the audit during the Board of Directors meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

George Dimitoglou
CCSC Comptroller

### 5.3.3 UPE Liaison (Ed Lindoo)

Nothing to add.

# 6 Old Business

## 6.1 Status of the Midsouth Region

Updates from Cathy Bareiss (chair), Michael Flinn, Kevin Treu (or potential replacement), and Tina Johnson regarding a recommendation for how to proceed regarding Midsouth.

From Ed:
Got four instructors at Campbellsville University Kentucky (mid-south region) to come up with email addresses of professors at universities that teach CS in the states that mid-south covers. We came up with 289 email addresses!  On 9/25/2024 I sent (on behalf of Scott Sigman), an email to these 289 email addresses encouraging them to get involved with our resurrection of the

mid-south conference. We received a handful of responses willing to help and two that are willing to host in April 2025. Scott Sigman, Mike Flinn and I are working on this. Of the two offers, we're hoping to get Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN. Waiting on a decision by the dean there.

## 6.2   Outreach to New Faculty

Updates from Shereen (chair), Mohamed, and Cathy regarding recommendations regarding these initiatives.

<span style="color:red">No updates for now. Committee will update in spring.</span>
<span style="color:red">Charge: Find a list of all Computing programs</span>

## 6.3   Website Issues

Does the CCSC or regional websites need to be dynamic, or can it be static? This will determine options for making a mock example to discuss at a future meeting.

GitHub Pages, which are static, might be a great idea for solving item 8.1 regarding maintaining historical records for by-laws, etc. since everything would be in version control. Also, it would be easy for anyone on the board or otherwise to submit a pull request should issues arise, making it potentially easier to maintain. Hosting would be free from GitHub, which can link the domain to it.

<span style="color:red">Bryan Dixon will have a mockup example of the website hosted on GitHub for us to consider in the spring.</span>

## 6.4 Virtual Conference

Do we want to organize a virtual summer conference, maybe the best papers of all the regions for the year? Cathy might have some other thoughts.

<span style="color:red">Cathy Bareiss will poll the membership about the timing for a virtual summer conference.</span>

# 7 New Business

## 7.1   Budget Rules

Can we draft a standing rule/policy regarding penalties for regions that fail to stay within a reasonable budget? This may include not reimbursing travel for the board representative for that region.

Ed Lindoo/Bryan Dixon for background

**Action Item:** Potentially formulate a rule/motion

<span style="color:red">Request that all regional treasurers submit updated budgets to the national treasurer and Comptroller two weeks prior to the conference. More education from regional reps with the regional treasurer and potentially factor in contingencies.</span>

## 7.2   Travel Reimbursement (Ed Lindoo)

A reminder that SIGCSE registration is not included for Spring Board Meeting reimbursement costs.

## 7.3   MFA for CCSC Google Workspace Accounts

Should we enforce MFA for our workspace accounts?

**Action Item:** Formulate a motion to enforce or not

<span style="color:red">Motion: Cathy Bareiss moves to turn on multifactor authentication. Mohamed Lotfy seconded. Motion carries. (Mark Bailey turned it on effective 10/19, with a week grace period for new members, allowing all possible MFA options).</span>

## 7.4   NSF Grant PROPOSAL

Update regarding NSF Grant from Michael Shindler

<span style="color:red">Cathy Bareiss and Michael Shindler will continue working on this. Short update on conversation at the next board meeting.</span>

## 7.5 New Board Member Orientation

Update from Michael Shindler regarding new board member orientation/on-boarding process materials and potential approval of them.

We currently have nothing prepared to present at this time, other than the start of a list of topics to be included in orientation material: two travel meetings a year, regional report, board mailing list, Google organization, travel reimbursement, etc. At the board's discretion, we volunteer to continue work on this project, and incorporate participation of and/or feedback from the new board members about their experiences during the first few months of their participation on the board, as we have likely lost some of our initial confusion about how things work due to the passage of time.

Respectively submitted,

Michael Shindler and David Largent

<span style="color:red">Document will be shared with new regional reps.</span>

## 7.6 Advertising Regional Conferences and Google Group Spam

Should the board pay to advertise regional conferences? How do we deal with spam on the Google Groups? Policy for usage and advertising here?

These groups exist:
- CCSC Announcements - ccsc-announce@ccsc.org - all CCSC members, only board members can post
- CCSC Board - ccsc-board@ccsc.org - CCSC board members
- CCSC Members - ccsc-members@ccsc.org - all CCSC members, anyone can post
- maybe also a ccsc-conference-coordinators (not great name) for all conference committee members from all regions?

## 7.7 Susan Dean Award

Mark Bailey asked if CCSC could return to awarding more than one award? Can we attribute a cash award for it?

There can be up to three awards.
Cannot cover cash awards at this time. Revisit in a few years.

## 7.8 CCSC Board Google Group

Mark Bailey suggested we stop using gaggle for a board google group.

**Action Item:** Formulate a motion to move to Google Group

Motion: Michael Shindler moves to use Google Group instead of Gaggle. Mika Morgan seconded. Motion passes.

## 7.9 Format of Future Board Meetings

Possible options:
- One virtual meeting a year and one fully in-person meeting a year
- Half of the board go to one meeting, and half go to another meeting
- Suggestion is that the treasurer and Comptroller do some research to determine what would save the most money

Committee: Ed Lindoo, George Dimitoglou, Bryan Dixon, Mark Bailey

From our bylaws:
- Annual Business Meeting: The Consortium will hold an Annual Meeting once during each fiscal year. The date and place of this meeting shall be selected at the previous Annual Meeting by a vote of those attending the meeting and shall be communicated to all members at least sixty days before the 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 site 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.

**This could be solved by moving to GitHub.**

# 9 Announcements

**Cathy Bareiss requests membership reports from regional reps.**

**10 Adjourn**
**Motion to adjourn by Cathy Bareiss, seconded by Mika Morgan. Motion passes.**

**Meeting ended at 10:40am.**