

SIGCSE Board 2025-2028

Meeting Time: August 12, 2025 at 6pm Eastern; 5pm Central; 3pm Pacific;

August 13, 2025 at 10am NZ Time; 7:30am AUS Central

Meeting Location: [Zoom](#)

Attendees:

Brian Dorn, Chair

Claudia Szabo, Vice Chair

Michelle Friend, Treasurer

Mark Sherriff, Secretary

Kemi Ola, At Large Member

Ethel Tshukudu, At Large Member

Chris Gregg, At Large Member

Alison Clear, Past Chair

Approval of 10 July 2025 Minutes

- Minutes to be approved: [Meeting Minutes - 10 July 2025 \(For Release\)](#)
- **VOTE:** Minutes approved by unanimous consent

New Business for Board

- **Ground Rules for Board Meetings**
 - The Board discussed conduct rules for Board Meetings, emphasizing that members should feel free to speak their minds. Meetings will be a collaborative environment and all should be able to participate.
- **Orientation to Conference Business**
 - Roles approved by Board for conferences
 - The Board reviewed our responsibilities for approving particular positions for conferences. Namely: leadership positions, program chair positions, and positions that have access to PII or other sensitive data.
 - Steering Committees are responsible for selecting candidates for these positions and presenting them to the Board for approval.
 - Steering Committees are encouraged to make sure their documentation for procedures for decision making and nominating individuals for positions are up to date.
 - Anyone that has access to PII, credit cards, confidential reviews
 - Steering Committees and Board Liaisons need to be aware of ACM conference timelines. Specifically, there are things that need to happen two years out. The TMRP should be completed 12 months out.
 - **ACTION** - Brian will check with Ariel at ACM to get a current list of what has currently been approved for our conferences to date.
 - [Preliminary Approval Form \(PAF\) Timeline](#)

- [Technical Meeting Request Form \(TMRF\) Timeline](#)
- **Conference Business**
 - ICER (Claudia)
 - Action Items for Board:
 - ICER 2027 chairs - Kristin Searle - PC; Sebastian Dziallas - General Chair; Sacramento
 - **VOTE:** Searle was named ICER 2027 Program Chair by unanimous consent.
 - **VOTE:** Dziallas was named ICER 2027 General Chair by unanimous consent.
 - TS (Mark)
 - Action Items for Board:
 - The TS 2026 TMRF was presented. There was significant discussion around the current cost proposal, particularly around increases in registration rates. The TS 2026 chairs and the TS SC were asked to come back with a new budget by the end of the month to address these concerns.
 - SIGCSE Virtual (Chris)
 - Action Items for Board:
 - The SIGCSE Virtual 2026 chairs asked for funding to go ahead and pay for the usage of conf.researchr.org. The difficulty is that without a current TMRF, they technically have no official budget. The Board informed the chairs to go forward and make sure the item is in the TMRF so it can be covered eventually.
 - ITICSE (Alison)
 - Information Items:
 - Planning for Madrid 2026 is well underway.
 - RESPECT (Michelle)
 - Information Items:
 - The SC is meeting later in August so there will be more to discuss at our next Board meeting.
- **GenAI Consortium Planning (Brian)**
 - **INFORMATION:** Upcoming summit in San Diego Aug 13-15. SIGCSE is going to manage a \$75K grant as a consortium member to support related programming this year.
 - The Board discussed various options for using this money, including tutorials and presentations in pre-conference events at our upcoming events. The Board will reach out to conference chairs and SCs as needed.

- **ACM OPEN Update (Brian)**
 - Papers/submissions 2 pages or fewer are not subject to APC charges, so conferences are strongly consider this fact when updating submission guidelines.
 - The Board discussed the current predicted costs for our conferences for 2026 (when costs are discounted) and the future. No final decisions were made, but the Board considered various ways to defray costs at least during the transition period.

- **SIGCSE Awards (Claudia)**
 - Claudia, as Vice-Chair and responsible for awards for the Board, informed the Board that the forms have been updated and moved to the ACM managed cloud storage. Call for nominations has been circulated with a September 1 deadline.
 - A proposal was sent to the board by Kristin Stevens-Martinez regarding the creation of a CS Ed Dissertation Award, much as the other SIGs have.
 - **ACTION:** Claudia will reach out to Kristin to discuss further.
 - The Board also will check on the current status of our New Researcher Award, as it appears to be held up somewhere at ACM.

- **Special Projects (Chris)**
 - Chris looked at the current Special Projects forms and made some updates for 2025. He is also looking for information about award winners from previous years to update the Board's homepage.
 - The upcoming deadline for Special Projects is November 15.

- **Henry Walker Travel Grant (Ethel)**
 - The Board discussed how the Travel Grant forms need to be updated and also integrated with the other award information.
 - Calls for submissions will be prepared and sent out soon.
 - **ACTION:** Travel Award winners should also be listed on the Board website.

- **Website (Brian)**
 - The Board discussed options for changing our procedures for updating the Board website after discussion with Manuel Pérez-Quiñones.
 - The Board also discussed making Webmaster a formal volunteer position like other member-facing roles, such as moderating the listservs and editing the SIGCSE Bulletin.
 - The Board began discussions on unifying our conferences URL naming schemes. Discussion will continue at the September meeting.

- **CRA-WP Grad Cohort Workshops (Mark)**
 - There was an inquiry from Susan Rodger about potential sponsorship in 2026.
 - Discussion tabled due to lack of time.

- **September Retreat Planning** (Brian)
 - The Board will have a day-and-a-half retreat in late September, hosted at Stanford University.

Next Meeting

- September 21 & 22 (in person at Stanford University)