

ACM History Committee Meeting

Minutes, July 19, 2021 (v. 1)

Welcome (Owens)

- Meeting began at 11:00am EDT / 8:00am PDT via Zoom

1. Attendees (Owens)

- Barbara Boucher Owens (chair)
- Vicki Almstrum
- David Brock
- Carol Hutchins
- Sachin Maheshwari
- Erik Rau
- Kim Tracy
- Mary Whitton
- Amanda Wick
- Chuck House (guest)

Not in attendance

- Roy Levin
- Jeffrey Yost

2. Minutes from June 2021 meeting (Almstrum)

- June 21, 2021 minutes: We approved the June minutes unanimously.

3. Brief updates on committee work

a. Budget and Finances (Whitton, Rau)

- Still waiting to receive full budget information from ACM HQ.

b. Fellowship (Tracy, Almstrum)

- The process for this year is complete.
- For the fellowship awarded for the ACM-W project, the details seem to have settled into place.

c. Publicity (Hutchins, Almstrum)

- The call with Yan Timonovsky is still pending. Carol expects to set this up by early August.

d. Turing Project (Levin)

- Roy was absent. He updated several points for the annual report.
- We discussed progress toward identifying a trainee project leader and how that relationship will be set up.

e. Web work, including ACM page update (Tracy, Owens)

- The old history blog has now been ported to the current website. This was thanks to the efforts of Rudy at ACM HQ. Kim is working to clean up that content.
- Regarding the mailing list: Kim will double-check membership on the list, for example to remove Ursula, who has left the committee.
- Regarding HC Operations Google drive access: Kim will double-check the levels of access for the various parts the HC Operations drive.
- ACTION ITEM: Barbara will help Kim inspect the content of the HC Operations drive to ensure that access is consistent and as intended.

f. Heritage Project + Preservation Outreach (Almstrum, Wick)

- Excellent progress on the Heritage project, thanks to access to the CEOHP site. Amanda and Vicki

g. Global (Maheshwari)

- India Technology Leaders Oral History project
 - Status of interview with Prof Ramaswamy
 - Transcripts of interviews to date have been corrected.
 - Sachin is planning a final interview with Prof Ramaswamy, which will be more structured.
 - Status of retrospective on Professor V. Rajaraman
 - Sachin has made good progress in arranging the three-part perspective on Professor V. Rajaraman and expects to start soon.
 - Status of storing project files on HC Operations drive
 - Sachin needs to know which versions of which files should be saved.
 - The goal is to ensure the materials that exist are somewhere where others have access. We will continue to develop the appropriate strategy.
 - ACTION ITEM: Vicki and Sachin will discuss.

h. ACM Award Video Series (House)

- Chuck mentioned the same issue of file back-up and availability to others as a form of insurance.
- Chuck says he is back in business on the project after the move to Portland.
- He is preparing a drive to send to Amanda (for CBI) and possibly to Vicki. The drive includes the 62 interviews completed so far plus 40+ releases, etc.
- There has been a good deal of progress with the transcripts.

i. Other?

- No other issues related to subcommittee work.

4. Annual Report

- We worked collaboratively to make updates to the current version of the annual report.
 - We agreed that Sachin's project will be referred to as the India Technology Leaders Video Project.
- We will finalize within the next two weeks.
- NOTE: After our meeting, Barb received a notice that annual reports are due August 15.

5. Additional business

- Discussed candidates to invite as new committee members. Barb needs everyone's feedback on the current candidates, as well as any other ideas.
- Vicki suggested looking at the websites for ACM Europe, ACM India, and ACM China to see what names pop up.

6. Upcoming meetings

Monday, August 16, 2021, 11:00 am EDT via Zoom

7. Conclusion 12:20 pm EDT / 9:20 am PDT