

CEE Broadening Participation and Workforce Development
6/30/2020 Call Notes

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The agenda is as follows:

1. Admin - Linda
 - a. NSF Panel Report Response – Shared the report with CEE-BP-WD staff. Kelly and Linda are working on the response to the one recommendation that belongs to CEE. There is a second one assigned to CEE-BP but it appears to be misplaced and should be assigned to ECSS. Invited input by email if they have any ideas on how XSEDE might support Social Justice – current national crisis.
 - b. August IPR – reminder that the process will begin the beginning of August so if taking vacation at that time send material ahead of time.
2. Communications
 - a. MRC Newsletter – Valerie will send out this week.
 - b. Mailing List Management – John continues the cleanup process and should be finished within the next week.
3. Conferences – Valerie reported not substantial updates. Linda/Rosie exploring potential for increasing level of Tapia sponsorship.
4. Education
 - a. XAB Recommendation (JIRA) - Consider how XSEDE's education programs can benefit larger community – the education group will review on their next call and provide input to Linda for review before updating Jira. Kate confirmed she has Jira access and can update the item. Jay sent Kate the text from the meeting minutes. This is an item that appeared last week but was from an April XAB meeting.
5. EMPOWER
 - a. the current cohort of twenty students submitted their first monthly reports which Aaron will be reviewing.
 - b. Currently recruiting for fall cohort; only one mentor project submitted; this round may be slow due to COVID-19 impact on fall plans for students and faculty; push through social media channels (Valerie takes the action); consider pushing application deadline into August.
6. Events and Workshops
 - a. Advanced Computing for Social Change Faculty Curriculum Development – Thirty-five registrations; requested syllabi to assist in selection process.; target 20 to 24 maximum; will send emails on July 6th confirming acceptance; will be offered again in early December and a short version created for those interested but not currently teaching courses.
 - b. Advanced Computing for Social Change Student Workshop – Rosie if finalizing the agenda and using the successful SPICE Data Science Institute model for virtual delivery.

- c. EAGER - STEM Illinois: The Land-Grant Model of Outreach and Education to Nurture Future Underrepresented Computer Scientists – Linda needs to provide suggestions to Ruby Mendenhall

Training

- d. Susan M. and Susan Lindsey are co-chairing the terminology review task force which was created in response to complaints about the June boot camp parallel programming presentations use of Master – Slave.
- e. Monthly HPC Series August topic is big data and there isn't any terminology issues in the big data content
- f. How to Write a Successful Allocations Proposal schedule for July 1st
- g. New User Training Webinar
- h. Python Performance Tuning led by Cornell