

CEE Broadening Participation and Workforce Development
7/14/2020 Call Notes

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Discussion:

1. Admin Reminders
 - a. August IPR (Akli) – if you're going on vacation at the beginning of August send in your IPR input before you check out. Lorna will check in with Maytal to prepare for the data pull. August 1 falls on a Saturday and the period covered will be May 1 – July 31.
 - b. Quarterly Meeting (Akli) – Tuesday, September 1 & Wednesday, September 2 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm CT – Susan will submit a request for the Terminology Task Force Update and review with XSEDE leadership, possibly training coordination. Currently no need for a Code of Conduct session.
 - c. Terminology Review Task Force (Mehringer) - had its kickoff meeting with about a dozen participants representing all the areas of XSEDE. Susan Mehringer is co-chairing with Susan Lindsay. Identified the plan, items that need immediate attention, set up a google folder for documents. The scale of the effort is extremely large when taking into consideration all XSEDE assets and maybe PIF can be used to support developing or adapting some tools and using some XSEDE-allocated resources to support the effort. Due to context issues, some materials would have to be reviewed manually. Also, must consider informing processes and guidelines for all areas that receive materials from others.
2. Communications
 - a. MRC Newsletter (Herold) – July newsletter sent this morning with C4C, EMPOWER, and PEARC20 Hackathon information. Next issue beginning of August.
 - b. Mailing List Management (Holly) – Continuing working. Lower priority than the workshop support and terminology review task force.
3. Conferences – (Herold)
 - a. PEARC20 – send your activities to Valerie. We'll share with CEE-BP-WD team, publicize as appropriate through ER, MRC list, and ACSC Faculty workshop participants.
 - b. TAPIA – still working out details of increased sponsorship and how to leverage the XSEDE sponsorship to promote jobs as XSEDE partners and sites and host interviews. Need to complete this by August 3. Also need to check deadlines for submitting “ad” and other materials. Ad needs to be coordinated with ER.
 - c. GHC is virtual. SACNAS, SC20, and ERN are being monitored for changes to their status.
4. Education (Cahill)
 - a. XAB Recommendation (JIRA) - Consider how XSEDE's education programs can benefit larger community – Education team met and Kate is drafting the response. Once it is ready will send to Linda/Kelly for refinement and approval. Linda will enter the response since the WD L3 is the responsible party.

- b. No other items at this time.
5. EMPOWER (Weeden)
- a. Aaron reviewed the first reports from the summer cohort participants and things appear to be going well for all 20 participants.
 - b. Extended the deadline to July 31 for mentor project submissions and student applications
 - c. Since last call the number of projects has increased to 5 to 10.
 - d. Promoting on Champions list, via presentation on Champions call today, the MRC list, and with the ACSC faculty to increase the number of projects.
6. Training Materials, Badges, & Roadmaps et al (Mehringer)
- a. August 4 – 5 – next HPC monthly workshop focused on big data
 - b. July 15 Neocortex – PSC event not using registration – experimental AI resource in early stages
 - c. July 16 Security – SDSC
 - d. Roadmap for containers is in review by the training team
 - e. Badges will be on the agenda for the next training team call
 - f. Materials updates include Python and new Jetstream API
7. Broadening Participation (Akli)
- a. Advanced Computing for Social Change Faculty Curriculum Development (Akli/Cahill) –Zoom, SLACK, Google drive, and HPC University are setup, Jay and John working on the education allocation. Linda will send the participant list to Lorna for review and focus group planning. Kate is sending Vensim installation information for the next email to participants.
 - b. Advanced Computing for Social Change Student Workshop (Gomez) –Some sessions being repeated due to the spread across time zones and obligations that impacted student availability. The pre-event survey didn't identify any technology issues. Rosie will send DataCamp information to Linda/Kate to share with faculty as a potential resource for R and Python tutorials that can be used in the classroom.
 - c. EAGER - STEM Illinois: The Land-Grant Model of Outreach and Education to Nurture Future Underrepresented Computer Scientists (Akli) – Linda has call following this with Ruby. Will be pointing her to some local resources to support the project that will potential create the opportunity for students to visit sites and have in-person interaction when social distancing restrictions are lifted.
8. Due to ACSC workshops and PEARC20, next call will be 8/4.