ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, 25 August 2026

3 - 4 PM PT/6 - 7 PM ET

Attendees:
Darin Grant, Executive Committee Chair
June Kim, Executive Committee Chair-Elect
David Spoelstra, Executive Committee Treasurer
Jenny Dana, Executive Committee Treasurer-Elect
Kalina Borkiewicz, Executive Committee Director
Alla Sheffer, Executive Committee Director
Erik Brunvand, Conference Advisory Group Chair
Scott Owen, Governance Advisory Chair
Baoquan Chen, Executive Committee Director
Courtney Starrett, Executive Committee Director
Dena DeBry, Nominations Committee Chair
Katherine Ruff-Piccirilli, ACM SIGGRAPH Project Manager
Victoria Szabo, Incoming Executive Committee Member
Derek Ham, Incoming Executive Committee Member
Sheldon Andrews, Incoming Executive Committee Member

Agenda Item	**PRESENTER**
Chair's Update ● Votes ○ Motion to change the Technical Papers Chair and Program Chairs selection process as follows: For both SIGGRAPH and SIGGRAPH Asia, the Technical Papers Chair shall be chosen by the relevant Conference Chair from a prioritized list provided to the Conference Chair by the PAG. All Program Chairs must be confirmed by the EC Chair or relevant Conference Chair to avoid sanctioned appointees. ■ Motion made by Erik Brunvand. ■ Seconded by Alla Sheffer. ■ Motion passed with 81% in favor; 9 votes for and 2 against ■ Motion passed with 9 in favor, 2 voting no. ■ Voting yes are Alla Sheffer, Darin Grant, David Spoelstra, Erik Brunvand, Kalina Borkiewicz, Courtney Starrett, June Kim, Elizabeth Baron, and Chris Bregler. ■ Voting no are Jenny Dana and Boaquan Chen. ● The EC Chair welcomed the incoming EC members and thanked the outgoing EC members for their time and effort. ● 2026-2027 Action Items ○ The EC Chair and Project Manager noted the action items list has been updated for 2026-2027. EC members were asked to review and make	Darin Grant

any updates to deadlines where necessary. ● The Chair noted that the EC will be using ACMSIGGRAPH accounts going forward. There was discussion on some challenges that EC members have had with accessing items. ● Chairs Corner ○ The EC Chair noted that he will publish the chair's corner shortly. Action: 1. EC to review the 2026-2027 Action Items list and make updates as necessary. 2. Project Manager to work with ITS Chair on ACM SIGGRAPH account access.	
Conference Program Evaluation / Budget Pondering ● **Survey data as of 2025** ● **Survey data including 2026** ● **Budget pondering spreadsheet** The CAG Chair noted that the EC is looking to finalize the conference program evaluation metrics and has asked the EC to provide input into budget considerations for the 2027 conference. The EC reviewed 2025 survey data, 2026 survey data and discussed key program areas that fell in the bottom of the list from attendee feedback. The CAG Chair proposed the option of triggering a review of a program if it shows up in the bottom of 2 out of 3 category ratings between satisfaction, impact, and essential. The majority of the EC agreed that this review metric is good, though other EC members cautioned that cutting some of these programs will not necessarily result in major budget changes. Ec members noted that the Conference Committee cost is quite high, and reducing the size of the committee could help reduce overall costs. The EC also discussed potential budget considerations, with the CAG presenting initial thoughts on budget options. The EC discussed ways to reduce the expenses, including reviewing contracts for 2027. The CAG Chair also proposed deviating from the standard requirement that the conference provides an allocation to the EC: many EC members were in favor of a $0 allocation to the EC budget, though some EC members expressed concerns that this requirement helps to support years when the conference doesn't perform as well. It was noted that keeping the standard allocation will require major program changes. EC members also expressed that reducing the expenses/increasing the overall revenue should not solely be created by raising registration rates. The CAG Chair affirmed that registration rates will not be significantly raised. Action: 1. The EC agreed to continue this discussion over Slack in the interest of time.	Erik Brunvand
October 2-4 in Person Meeting The Chair-elect shared that a travel authorization will be coming out, and that the meeting will be a joint EC/CAG meeting for at least part of the meeting. The meeting will occur on Friday and Saturday.	June Kim
Bylaws Update The GAB Chair made updates to the bylaws as approved by the membership. This year's bylaw change does not need to go to the membership and a decision will be made by the ACM EC at their September 30 meeting.	Scott Owen
Vice Chair Selection The EC reviewed the list of duties for the Vice Chair position, noting that a Vice Chair	Dena DeBry

needs to be selected by the EC. The Nominations Committee Chair shared that she solicited outreach to existing EC members who were eligible to serve as Vice Chair. She also invited incoming EC members to share their interest with her. Action: 1. The EC will vote offline to select a Vice Chair.	
Positions that need to be filled: CAG and SACAG Liaisons One of the early action items in the new term is adjusting liaisons, both for SACAG and CAG but also for all committees. Liaisons will need to be selected by the EC during the next meeting.	Darin Grant
Meeting Adjourned.	Darin Grant