

Higher Education Chair - Annual Report, September, 2015

As I reflect back on my second year on the board of directors for ICTA, I am pleased by the work that we have done collectively. I believe that the board's success is interdependent with the success of the membership and I know that our members are accomplishing great things and succeeding in many ways. I also value feedback and invite any member to contact me with feedback, ideas, suggestions, or concerns.

The following lists the accomplishments and activities of the previous year:

- The special interest group meeting at the 2014 conference yielded many useful suggestions that I, and the board, have taken into consideration this year. Please attend the interest group meeting this year if you have any feedback or suggestions about how we could strengthen and improve the session offerings we provide for higher education.
- Top submission prizes for higher education were given for the first time at last year's
 conference. The categories were: Top Submission, Top Student Submission, and Top Faculty
 Submission. Each winner received a \$50 check and a framed certificate signed by the higher
 ed chair and the ICTA president.
- The call for papers/proposals for the 2015 conference was shared with colleagues in higher education and with the help of membership/PR-higher education representative Julie Weishar, we reached a larger audience than we have in recent years.
- Higher education submissions and proposals were evaluated, resulting in seven panels (up from 5 last year) and seven posters.

Respectfully submitted,

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