

# SIGAda

The ACM Special Interest Group on Ada

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## 2005 SIGAda Election Results

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In Spring of 2005, ACM conducted an election of SIGAda Officers. A new slate of officers was elected, with the term of office running from 1 July 2005 until 30 June 2007. The incoming elected SIGAda Officers are:

Chair:	Dr. John McCormick
Vice Chair for Meetings and Conferences:	Dr. Ricky E. Sward, Lt. Col. USAF
Vice Chair for Liaison:	Mr. Chris Sparks
Treasurer:	Dr. Martin C. Carlisle
Secretary:	Mr. Clyde Roby
International Representative:	Mr. Dirk Craeynest

This leaves SIGAda in very capable hands for the next two years. In fact, any of the nominees would serve SIGAda well. Thank you to the competing candidates: Mr. David Harrison, Mr. Greg Gicca, Mr. David Botton, Ms. Ann S. Brandon, Mr. Thomas A. Panfil, and Dr. Pascal Leroy. A very special thanks goes to Dr. Ben Brosgol for serving as the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Also approved was a new set of Bylaws. SIGAda is chartered under ACM. Our original Bylaws were approved on 18 June 1984. Since then, much has changed. We now have the Internet, a Home Page, and elections by electronic means. We conduct business different now than we did before, for example, in 1984, local SIGAda Chapters were managed by SIGAda. Today they are managed by ACM. We were living with an outdated set of Bylaws eight years ago and there was attempt to include it on the ballot, but the timescales were not right. The major significant changes are:

- Correct references of Local SIGAda Chapters belonging to SIGAda. Local SIGAda Chapters now report directly to ACM.
- Update responsibilities of every SIGAda Officer position with current responsibilities.
- Add the Ada Letters Managing Editor as a member of the SIGAda Executive Council.
- Include other Ada Letters Editors as members of the SIGAda Extended Executive Council.
- Order of succession changed to reflect a single successor for the position of ACM SIGAda Chair.
- Added a statement indicating the Newsletter is distributed to the SIGAda membership.



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- Eliminated the two year term for the Newsletter Editor, as this was not done in practice.
- Provided a distinction on the differences between Working Groups and Committees.
- Identified the 4 standing Committees and identified their mission statements.
- Added a requirement for Committee and Working Group Chairs to submit a report to the Chair or annual SIGAda EEC for a viability assessment. Criteria for this assessment are identified.
- The election process has been updated to reflect the changes required by ACM that we have been following in recent years.
- Changed the process for changing the Bylaws to reflect the changes required by ACM, as reflected in the set of Bylaws recommended by ACM.
- Provides authorization to conduct business by an email vote of the Executive Committee.
- Eliminates the opportunity to restrict attendance at business meetings; business meetings are now open to all.
- Business meetings identified as the Extended Executive Committee (EEC) meetings now allow all EEC members in attendance to cast a vote.
- Eliminates the quorum and proxy requirement of SIGAda Executive Council. It should be noted that the Bylaws recommended by ACM currently do not require either a quorum or a proxy mechanism.
- Defines Local SIGAda Chapters now as being managed under ACM, as was done in practice.
- Includes the Chair of a Local SIGAda Chapter as a member of the EEC.
- Identifies the types of resources that SIGAda will make available to a Local SIGAda Chapter, if requested.

The new set of Bylaws was approved effective 23 June 2005. They may be viewed in their entirety at:

[http://www.acm.org/sigada/SIGAda\\_bylaws.html](http://www.acm.org/sigada/SIGAda_bylaws.html)

The retiring slate served from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2005. The retiring slate includes:

Chair:	Mr. Currie Colket
Vice Chair for Meetings and Conferences:	Mr. David Harrison
Vice Chair for Liaison:	Ms. Ann Brandon
Treasurer:	Dr. John McCormick
Secretary:	Mr. Clyde Roby
International Representative:	Dr. Jean-Pierre Rosen
Past Chair:	Dr. Ben Brosgol

As retiring Chair, I would like to publicly thank each of the officers who served me so well over the last 4 years. They did a yeoman's job in performing their duties. David put on 4 technically and financially successful conferences, now vital to the Ada Community; Ann served as liaison to the software engineering community with the Ada Advocacy Program, keeping Ada visible at software engineering conferences; John kept a sharp eye on our finances, not only keeping us within our mandatory required balance, but also keeping us from going under; Clyde served as our web wizard and communications expert, keeping us all connected; Jean-Pierre coordinated important SIGAda business with the Ada international community; and Ben kept me from getting in too much trouble (very much appreciated). As a consequence, SIGAda is vibrant and viable and posed to support the needs of the Ada and SIGAda community for the next term of officers and well into the future. A very special thanks to each.



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Our next elections are scheduled for spring of 2007. If any of you are interested in running for a position, please let me know as soon as possible. There may be activities today that you can be involved with as a volunteer that will help position you for an elected position of more responsibility. I now ask Ben to step aside to become the Past Past Chair as I become the Past Chair.

It has been a wonderful experience working with all of you. The new slate of officers brings in new blood in all but one officer position. This is good. You will be bringing in new ideas to help evolve and grow SIGAda to the benefit of the entire Ada community. Godspeed.

Sincerely yours,



Currie Colket  
Chair ACM SIGAda

