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## New SAGE Officers

by **Trey Harris**

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At the first meeting of the new SAGE Executive Committee, held 9-10 March 2001, in Emeryville, CA, the officers for the upcoming year were chosen. They are:

President: David Parter, University of Wisconsin (<[parter@sage.org](mailto:parter@sage.org)>)

Vice President: Geoff Halprin, The SysAdmin Group (<[geoff@sage.org](mailto:geoff@sage.org)>)

Secretary: Trey Harris, VA Linux Systems (<[trey@sage.org](mailto:trey@sage.org)>)

Treasurer: Peg Schafer, Harvard University (<[peg@sage.org](mailto:peg@sage.org)>)

Additional members of the Executive Committee are:

Strata Rose Chalup, VirtualNet Consulting (<[strata@sage.org](mailto:strata@sage.org)>)

Barb Dijker, NeTrack (<[barb@sage.org](mailto:barb@sage.org)>)

Tim Gassaway, Auspex Systems (<[gassaway@sage.org](mailto:gassaway@sage.org)>)

Andrew Hume (<[andrew@usenix.org](mailto:andrew@usenix.org)>) serves as the USENIX board's liaison to the Committee.

Each member of the Executive Committee was also given projects to oversee or "champion." This is not meant to be an exhaustive list of the projects SAGE or the members of the Executive Committee are involved in, but it may give you an idea of their current work:

International SAGE groups: Strata Rose Chalup, Geoff Halprin, Barb Dijker

Memo-to-Members: Trey Harris

Public Relations: David Parter

Review of SAGE policies: David Parter

SAGE Certification: Barb Dijker

SAGE Certification Test Development Committee: Trey Harris

SAGE Code of Ethics: Barb Dijker

SAGE Mentoring: Strata Rose Chalup

SAGE Publications: Peg Schafer

SAGE/USENIX restructuring: Barb Dijker, Peg Schafer

SAGE Web Site revamping: Strata Rose Chalup, Geoff Halprin, David Parter

Salary Survey: Peg Schafer

Sysadmin Internship Project: Peg Schafer

Conference Liaisons: Strata Rose Chalup (LISA 2001), Trey Harris (SNAC 2002), Geoff Halprin (BSD 2002)

The Executive Committee eagerly seeks input from members. You can contact them individually at the email addresses above, or as a group at <[sage-exec@sage.org](mailto:sage-exec@sage.org)>.

## SAGE Certification Update

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Since the last *login:* article, work has continued on the certification front. The Policy Committee has had several meetings via conference call, as they continue to develop the policies and procedures needed to implement the certification program. The SAGE Executive Committee had a lengthy discussion about certification with the purpose of refining the direction of the program. The Test Development Committee met to review and modify the questions that have been submitted to the exam item bank. Additional questions will be drafted over the next two months to complete the exam item bank needed for the first certification exam.

The certification will have practical as well as theoretical components. There will be a multiple choice test and some form of practical test. The multiple choice test that is being written now will be vendor neutral and platform independent. The practical test, still in the planning stages, will be platform specific. More information on this effort can be found on the SAGE Certification Web page: <<http://www.usenix.org/sage/cert>>.