

# MVS Core Technologies Project (MVSE) Opening and z/OS Hot Topics

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**SHARE** in Boston

# Our Purpose

The MVS Core Technologies Project is concerned with a broad spectrum of mainframe-related topics that provide in-depth exploration of IBM's flagship platform in both the hardware and software realms. Hardware areas of interest include System z processor, coupling facilities, Server Time Protocol (STP), and I/O connectivity. Software areas of interest include the z/OS operating system, including components like: RSM, VSM, and IOS, Parallel Sysplex, z/OS UNIX Services, JES2, JES3, TSO/E, ISPF, and enterprise presentation solutions. Advanced sessions will discuss architecture, installation, configuration, migration, service, problem determination, and exploitation of the latest System z and z/OS capabilities. Tools such as ServerPac, HCD, HCM, SMP/E, IPCS, and more are regularly discussed. The Project also offers sessions for those who are new to the platform, intended to help them quickly integrate into their environment and acquire mainframe skills and understanding of the platform, especially in z/OS.

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<sup>1</sup> Richard Reents retired from Abbot Labs last month. He can't be with us here in Boston. According to his SHARE member history, Richard was MVS requirements coordinator 1989-1994 and 1996-present. Please join me in thanking Richard for his many years of service in this important role.

# MVS Core Technologies Project Boston Schedule Overview



- I went to the **SHARE in Boston** online schedule and searched for sessions sponsored by the **MVS Core Technologies Project**. My search returned **76** events!
- Where possible, similar topics are grouped within a single day. These “mini-themes” should make it easy to get the information you need on any particular topic of interest.
- Most of our sessions can be found in rooms 207 (you’re in it now!), 302, 311 and 313. Some sessions are located in 109, 111, 200, 303, and 310. Hands-on labs are in 312.
- Special thanks to the rest of the planning team for organizing an outstanding Boston agenda: Dave Whitney & Steve Warren from IBM, Don Scrima, Jack Schudel, James Lund, Tom Conley, and Gordon Daniel.

# Meet the z/OS Developers

- This special event will take place this afternoon from 4PM to 5PM in the semi-private area of the SHARE Technology Exchange.
- Exhibit Hall D
- There are approximately 80 IBM developers here from the lab in Poughkeepsie, NY.
- This is your opportunity to meet some of the folks that write the code upon which Western Civilization runs.

## Tuesday Night Project Dinner

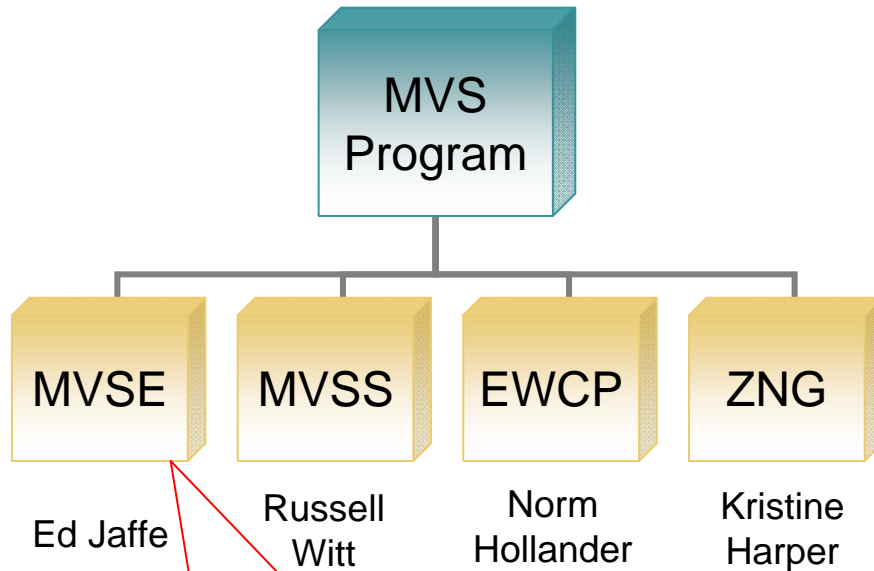


50 Dalton Street in the Back Bay, across from the Sheraton Hotel entrance.  
(617) 867-9955

- Reservation for 55 people at 7:30.
- Tables no larger than eight.
- Separate checks at each table.
- Ordering from the standard menu.
- No minimum purchase required.
- See Marna Walle or Jack Schudel to sign up for this activity.
- Meet in Sheraton Lobby @ 7:15. Not at the restaurant.



# MVS Program Organization & Leadership



MVSE = MVS Core Technologies

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Special thanks to Maura Schoonmaker from IBM for her many contributions!

# z/OS Ask the Experts Panel & MVS Program Closing

- This event will take place Thursday @ 6PM in room 207.
- It will mark the official end of the Boston conference.
- The table below lists (in alphabetical order) the IBM experts that have committed to attend. We expect other IBMers as well as established experts from the ISV and user communities.
- Come ask questions and/or join in lively debate. (With Bob Rogers there, should we expect anything less? 😊)

<b>Karla Arndt (PFA, Healthchecker)</b>	<b>Bryan Foley (Hardware)</b>	<b>Elpida Tzortzatos (RSM, VSM, ASM, z/OS)</b>
<b>Bette Brody (z/OS)</b>	<b>David Jones (JES3)</b>	<b>Marna Walle (z/OS Migration)</b>
<b>Mark Brooks (Sysplex, z/OS)</b>	<b>Jerry Ng (Service)</b>	<b>Steve Warren (BCPii, z/OS)</b>
<b>Greg Daynes (z/OS Installation)</b>	<b>Bob Rogers (z/OS)</b>	<b>Tom Wasik (JES2)</b>
<b>Greg Dyck (DB2, z/OS)</b>	<b>Horst Sinram (WLM, Storage)</b>	<b>Glenn Wilcox (Storage)</b>
<b>Harv Emery (Hardware)</b>	<b>Richard Theis (z/OS Unix)</b>	<b>Mike Wood (Storage)</b>

# Lunch Hour BOFs

- MVS Core Technologies Project:
  - Monday @ 12:15 PM (immediately after this session), Geoff Smith: z/OS Documentation Blog Live!
- EWCP Project:
  - Monday @ 12:15 PM, Ivan Gelb: Performance and Capacity Management Best Practices
  - Thursday @ 12:15 PM, Gary King & John Burg: LSPR and CPU Measurement Facility Update (more on z196)

# Meet the CA z/OS Product Developers

- An opportunity to meet speak informally with developers for CA's z/OS products.
- Wednesday evening starting at 6PM

Harvard Club  
374 Commonwealth Ave  
Boston, MA 02215

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# Last Minute Session Change

- How to Get the Most from Your IBM Mainframe Investment
  - Speaker: William Malik
  - Wednesday, 1:30 PM
  - Room 200

# **zNextGen Project**

## Boston Update

### Kristine Harper

## zNextGen in Boston

- zNextGen is the next generation of mainframe professionals.
- Boston marks the 5 year anniversary for our project!
  - Over 700 members, from 20 different countries, representing almost 200 enterprise IT organizations
- Be sure to check out sessions marked “zNG” in the pocket agenda
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# zNextGen in Boston Highlights

Day	Time	Session
Mon	6:00pm	Mastering System z – Entry Level Systems Programmer Certification
Tue	9:30am	The Fast and the Curious: Streamlining the Development of a New Mainframe Generation
Tue	1:30pm	z/OS Basics: ABEND & RECOVERY – All You Need to Know to Write Your First ESTAE
Tue	4:30pm	z/OS, z/OS UNIX & Linux Productivity Toolbag for Beginners
Tue	6:00pm	The zNextGen Project 5 Year Anniversary Celebration!
Tue	7:00pm	zNextGen Project Networking Event
Wed	3:00pm	System z Hardware Peeled: z/OS Hardware From the Inside Out
Wed	4:30pm	Problem? No Problem! How to Successfully & Quickly Find the Valuable Information You Need to Solve a z/OS Issue

# **MVS Core Technologies Project**

## Requirements Committee Update

Cheryl Watson

# Requirements Committee Update

- After SHARE in Denver, the Project formed a Requirements Committee whose over-arching goal is to improve and reinvigorate the requirements process.
- Richard Reents (Chair), Cheryl Watson (Vice Chair), Dave Whitney (IBM), Brad Carson, Tom Conley, Robert Jenkins, Sam Knutson, Mary Anne Matyaz.
- The Committee is currently attempting to clean up the requirements data base—removing requirements that are obsolete or available—with the intent to have a vote among the SHARE membership at-large to prioritize the remaining requirements list.

# Requirements Committee Update

- Future Objective – had 57 requirements marked as FO
  - Found 24 of them available
  - Retired 10 more
  - Will soon reopen 23 for discussion
- Long Range – have 212 requirements marked as LR
  - Have reviewed 130 so far
  - Found 40 available
  - Retired 15
  - Will soon reopen 75 for discussion
- Summer Project
  - Identified 15 easy, but important APARs to help speed development.

# Requirements Committee Update

- The updated responses for FO requirements have been forwarded to IBM and Dave Whitney assures us the recommended changes will be implemented in the IBM data base and synchronized with the SHARE data base soon.
- This is an ongoing effort and those involved are demonstrating a deep level of commitment to our platform.
- This also demonstrates one of the key differentiators between SHARE and other conferences—your influence. Get involved in the SHARE requirements process to help “steer” the most powerful business platform on the planet!
- To learn more about SHARE requirements, see session [2353](#) from SHARE in Seattle.

# **IBM Requirement Responses**

Prepared by Dave Whitney and Steve Warren  
Presented by Steve Warren

# Our Speakers This Morning

- Jerry Ng (IBM Poughkeepsie) – recent important APARs. I assure you, they are no laughing matter!
- Riaz Ahmad (IBM Washington Systems Center) – z/OS Hot Topics
- Remember, in all sessions:
  - Mute cell phones, pagers & PCs.
  - Take phone calls OUTSIDE – away from the door!
  - Fill out the session evaluation forms (extremely important).
  - We read all comments you make.
- **SESSION CHAIRS STILL NEEDED!** Please volunteer!
- Enjoy the week at SHARE!