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Present: see attached.

**AGENDA**

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**1. Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

President Barnhart called the meeting to order. Secretary/Treasurer Thomas followed. Thomas reported an end-of-year balance of \$14,006.39 with a net loss for 2005 of \$33.73 on revenues of \$4,025.16, \$3,729.00 of which came from dues and the balance from interest earnings, and expenses of \$4,058.89, \$2,700.00 of which was spent on awards and \$1,309.55 on the San Francisco Business Meeting. Thomas reported that the annual audited financial statements will be placed on the Society's website.

Thomas also reported that his key duty as Secretary is to finalize the Society's Policies & Procedures manual. The goal in preparing the manual is to capture not only the policies of the Society but also to maintain the institutional knowledge of the Society.

**2. TSL Dissertation Award**

Dissertation Award Committee Chair Mark Hickman presented. The committee consisted of Hickman, Michel Bierlaire, Ann Campbell, Alan Erera, and Don Hearn. The committee read through a larger than normal 26 dissertations. Hickman cited originality, practicality, and quality of composition. The winner of the award was Christian Liebchen for the dissertation entitled "Periodic Timetable Optimization in Public Transport." The dissertation was supervised by Rolf Moehring at the Technical University of Berlin. As Honorable Mention, Hickman announced Anne Goodchild for her dissertation entitled "Crane Double Cycling in Container Ports: Algorithms, Evaluation and Planning." The dissertation was supervised by Carlos Daganzo at the University of California - Berkeley.

### **3. TSL Award for Best Paper**

Best Paper Award Chairman Paolo Toth presented. He announced that Patrice Marcotte, Rolf Moehring, Warren Powell, and David Ryan served on the committee. The committee reviewed seven submissions. Toth announced the award winners as Michel Bierlaire and Frank Crittin for their paper "An Efficient Algorithm for Real-Time Estimation and Prediction of Dynamic OD Tables", which appeared in *Operations Research* 52, 2004, 116-127. As Honorable Mentions, Toth announced T.W.M. Vossen, M. Ball for their paper "Slot Trading Opportunities in Collaborative Ground Delay Programs", which appeared in *Transportation Science* 40, 2006, 29-43, and J.R. Correa, A.S. Schulz, N.E. Stier-Moses for their paper "Selfish Routing in Capacitated Networks", which appeared in *Mathematics of Operations Research* 29, 2004, 961-976.

### **4. Cluster Chair's Report**

Cluster Chair Huseyin Topaloglu presented. He announced 44 TSL invited sessions for the conference and eight additional contributed sessions in the area of transportation science and logistics. Topaloglu offered thanks to Paulette Bronis of INFORMS and to the SIG Cluster Chairs.

### **5. Report of the Editor-in-Chief of *Transportation Science***

Editor-in-Chief Hani Mahmassani reported that the journal is in good health. Submissions have increased from an average of 12 – 13 per month to around 15 per month. Mahmassani reported that 75% of submissions are receiving first decisions in four months and 88% receive a decision in six months. Revised submissions are being handled in 90 days 85% of the time. Mahmassani reported an acceptance rate of 16% with minor revisions accepted 100% of the time and major revisions accepted 90% of the time.

Mahmassani announced Teo Crainic as a new associated editor for intermodal and Elise Miller-Hooks as a new associate editor for stochastic and dynamic networks and for emergency and disaster management. There are also three special and focused issues in

development. Gilbert Laporte repeated the call for submissions to the special issue on Freight Transportation and Logistics.

Mahmassani was asked if the reported statistics could be posted on the journal's website. Mahmassani responded that INFORMS is moving towards posting statistics for all of its journals.

Area Editor for Transportation at *Operations Research* Mike Ball reported 30 submissions for 2006. This number is up from previous years.

## **6. Membership Update**

Vice President Savelsbergh reported an increase in members from 735 to 811 in the past year. Of the 811, 375 are paying members.

## **7. Announcement of 2007 Cluster Chairs**

Savelsbergh announced Kevin Gue as the Cluster Chair for the 2008 INFORMS Annual Meeting to be held in Seattle. Gue announced that he would like develop a web seminar for identifying characteristics of "bad talks." He is also seeking input on the best ways to exchange research ideas.

Janny Leung and Martin Savelsbergh were announced as the Cluster Chairs for the 2007 INFORMS International Conference in Puerto Rico. Anton Kleywegt was announced as the Cluster Chair for the 2008 IFORS Meeting to be held in South Africa.

## **8. Upcoming Elections of TSL Officers**

Savelsbergh called for nominations for the upcoming TSL elections. Nominations are sought for Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer.

## **9. Announcements and Reminders**

Barnhart reminded the Society about the upcoming INFORMS International Meeting to be held in Puerto Rico July 8 – 11, 2007.

It was announced that the upcoming TRISTAN conference has been moved to Phuket, Thailand.

It was announced that the IFORS 2008 conference to be held in South Africa has its website up and running.

Michel Gendreau announced a conference on metaheuristics to be held in Montreal June 25 – 29, 2007.

The TSL website has links to all of the announced conferences.

## **10. Presentation of TSL Initiatives**

Savelsbergh announced that TSL is seeking comments and suggestions regarding initiatives that will improve the value and visibility of the Society. He listed six:

1. Wiki website
2. Access to accepted but not yet appearing papers in *Transportation Science*
3. Improving industry connections
4. Increase TSL presence at conferences
5. Organize TSL plenary/tutorial at INFORMS Annual Meeting
6. Increase dues to \$20
7. Provide Society funds for SIG activities.

Current, the Wiki website is the priority of the Society. The hope is to develop a website that is the web's main repository of transportation science and logistics information.

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