

MINUTES OF THE TSS MEETING, *PHILADELPHIA*

Minutes of the
Transportation Science
Section Meeting,
Monday November 8,
1999

1. The meeting was
called to order by
Marius Solomon, TSS
president, at 6:20 p.m.

2. Garrett Van Ryzin,
chair of the TSS
Dissertation Prize
Committee, announced
this year's winners of
the award. The first
prize was awarded to
Padma Ramanujan
from the University of
Massachusetts at
Amherst (advisor:
Anna Nagurney).
Honorable mentions
were awarded to
William Hall from the
Massachusetts Institute
of Technology
(advisor: A. Odoni)
and Nicola Secomandi
from the University of
Houston (advisor: E.
Kao).

3. On behalf of Gilbert
Laporte, editor of
Transportation
Science, Solomon
reported on the good
situation of the
refereeing process at
the journal. Also, the
editor's efforts to
increase the number of
pages allocated to the

8. Solomon
announced that
Warren Powell has
been nominated to
form a committee to
give a name to the TSS
Dissertation Prize.

9. Solomon updated
the members on his
efforts to merge the
TSS with the Section
on Logistics and the
Section on Location.
The merger will create
a new Society that will
be organized as a
federation of Sections.
This new Society will
organize a single
cluster of sponsored
sessions at each
INFORMS meeting.
Solomon invited the
members to give their
suggestions about the
name of this new
Society.

10. Mark Daskin raised
the issue of the
possible integration of
the Railway and
Aviation groups within
this new Society.
Solomon explained
that the plan is to
proceed in two steps:
first, merge with
Logistics and Location,
then try to integrate
Railway and Aviation.

11. Several members
discussed the possible

13. Xu Jun Eberlein
represented the TSS at
the Subdivisions'
meeting held the day
before. According to
Eberlein, the
discussions during this
meeting focused on the
participation of the
Subdivisions to the
"practice"-oriented
Spring conferences. In
particular, INFORMS
would like to obtain,
from each subdivision,
an estimate of the
number of members
that present themselves
as "practitioners", as
well as an account of
the activities involving
practical aspects.

14. Gazis suggested
that the TSS should
sponsor a new Prize on
applications in
Transportation
Science.

15. Solomon and
Daskin discussed about
the implication of the
TSS at the practice
meeting. Solomon
suggested to hold a
TSS conference
simultaneously with
the Spring meeting and
to invite practitioners
to give talks at this
meeting. Daskin
pointed out that such a
meeting should involve
people from academia

journal have been successful: 40 additional pages per year are now available. In particular, the section "In this issue" has been removed, leaving out additional pages.

4. Thanasis Ziliaskopoulos, coordinator of the TSS sessions in Philadelphia, announced that there are 13 sessions sponsored by the TSS.

5. Solomon announced the results of the June elections. Pamela Vance and Amelia Regan have been elected on the TSS Council.

6. Solomon updated the members on the good situation of the Web site of the TSS, managed by David Bernstein, Webmaster of the TSS.

7. Solomon announced that the TSS will sponsor Odysseus 2000, the First International Workshop on Freight Transportation and Logistics, organized by Teodor Crainic and Hans-Jurgen Sebastian, that will be held in Chania, Crete in May 2000.

benefits of the merger for the TSS, as well as for the other Sections. Denos Gazis raised the opinion that a major benefit for the other Sections is the access they gain to the journal Transportation Science. According to Ismail Chabini, the merger will bring new members to the TSS, in particular practitioners. David Hunt expressed the opinion that the merger will give the TSS a better representation in INFORMS committees, and will ensure that votes are not divided among the different Sections.

12. Solomon asked the members if they agree on a motion that will allow the TSS to pay annually an amount of 300\$ to the Chair of the Dissertation Prize Committee, to cover expenses related to mail, fax and photocopies. The motion is adopted unanimously.

and does not need to be held simultaneously with the INFORMS conference.

16. Daskin informed the members about the new INFORMS policy on online publications: all INFORMS members can now have access to 10 online publications for 99\$/year.

17. Solomon congratulated Daskin for the wonderful job he accomplished as Vice-President, Publications.

18. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Anthony Chen, Utah State University	David E. Lucas, University of Arizona	Marius Solomon, Northeastern University
Yun Chen, Air Force Institute of Technology	Jeff McGill, Queen's University	Garrett van Ryzin, Columbia University
Mark Daskin, Northwestern University	Sanjay Melkote, Princeton University	Travis Waller, Northwestern University
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