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EDITOR'S CORNER

The results of the last elections are finally known. The new Council officers are: Peter Chen and David Hunt (members), Anton Kleywegt (Secretary/treasurer), and myself, as Vice-President/President Elect. First of all, congratulations to the new Council officers. I am truly confident that they will enjoy their new tasks and that they will contribute with fresh ideas to the organization of our Section. Personnally, I am also deeply honored to be nominated as Vice-President, and to eventually succeed as President to the great individuals who, over the years, showed us remarkable leadership when they occupied this challenging position.

For those interested in participating more actively in the life of our Section, I take this opportunity to remind you that there will be elections again this Summer, this time for two Council members to join Peter and David (in replacement of Pam Vance and Amelia Regan, thanks to both!). Nominations are welcome!

For those of you who were at the San Antonio meeting (see the minutes of that meeting in this issue), you may have noticed that one of the favorite themes of the actual

TSS News and Notes

Dissertation Prize: Winners

Dissertation Prize winners for the year 1999-2000 have been announced. The two winners of the First Prize are Hillel Bar-Gera from the University of Illinois at Chicago (supervised by David Boyce), and Diego Klabjan from Georgia Institute of Technology (supervised by George Nemhauser and Ellis Johnson). Congratulations!

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Dissertation Prize: *Nominations*

Nominations for the next Dissertation Prize are now being accepted (for dissertations completed between June 1,2000 and May 31, 2001). Dissertation supervisors should submit six copies of the dissertation, six copies of an extended abstract (not bound with the thesis), and a nomination letter by July 31, 2001 to:

Professor Ismail

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Council is the intensification of our Web activities. Along this line, our first duty was to create a new position of Webmaster, responsible for both the Web site and the mailing list. That position is now created and its first "owner" is Jean-François Cordeau (cordeau@crt.umontreal.ca), professor at the HEC in Montreal. Since he has been nominated, Jean-Francois has completely reorganized the mailing list and revamped our Web site. Please contact him if you have any suggestions on our Web activities!

The results of the last elections also mean that this is my last issue as the Editor of the Newsletter. It has been a pleasure to serve you in that respect. I wish Anton Kleywegt a lot of fun as he will succeed me, starting with the next issue of the Newsletter.

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