

2013 INFORMS ANNUAL MEETING
Aviation Applications Section Business Meeting Minutes

- Meeting held on October 6, 2013 at 6:15pm in Minneapolis, MN.
- Approximately 35 were in attendance.
- AAS Chair Thomas Vossen opened up the meeting by introducing all section officers, and provided a review of the past year.
- AAS Vice Chair Senay Solak provided an overview on finances and membership:
 - There has been an increase in membership numbers and revenues compared with numbers from the last year. The overall membership increased by about 25% and the overall revenues increased by about 6%.
 - Current number of members is 651, with 414 student, 230 regular, 5 retired and 2 other category members.
 - Dues revenue increased slightly from \$1400 to \$1500 per year, while interest revenue from the \$10,000 bank account was about \$40/year.
 - Key expenses (e.g. awards, food and beverages, INFORMS labor-admin charges) have been mostly the same as last year, except for the Best Presentation Award expenses.
 - There is an expected net loss of approximately \$100 this year.
 - Membership dues for 2014 are the same at \$20/\$20/\$20 for regular, retired and non-INFORMS members, but the student members will now be paying \$5 instead of having a free membership they had before.
- AAS Vice Chair Senay Solak provided an update on the AAS web activities on behalf of Webmaster Heng Chen:
 - A new section has been created on the AAS website for recent publications. Recent works published in INFORMS journals is listed here. If you would like to include your published or working papers then please contact AAS Webmaster Heng Chen (heng@som.umass.edu).
 - The site is updated regularly for upcoming events, funding opportunities, AAS business, etc. These include conferences, meetings, competitions like AAS Dissertation Award and AAS Best Presentation Competition, scholarships, research funding opportunities, AAS newsletters, financial reports and meeting minutes. Please contact Heng for any ideas, suggestions or posting requests.
- Marcial Lapp, AAS Cluster Chair for the 2013 INFORMS Annual Meeting, provided an overview of the organized sessions. Overall, the number of sessions is at around the same levels as previous years.
- This year's AAS Dissertation Award Committee was chaired by Amedeo Odoni and also included Amy Cohn, David Lowell, Avijit Mukherjee, and Vikrant Vaze. On behalf of the AAS Dissertation Committee, committee chair Amedeo Odoni presented the 2012 Dissertation Award to Farshid Azadian and an Honorable Mention to Bo Vaaben.
- AAS Secretary/Treasurer Vikrant Vaze provided an overview of the newly instated Best Student Presentation Competition. This year's competition had 10 participants from seven different universities spanning across three different continents. The winner was announced

on Tuesday Oct 8th just before the keynote presentation by Theresa Wise (CIO of Delta Airlines). The judging committee was chaired by Shervin AhmadBeygi and included Nicole Adler, Hamsa Balakrishnan, Lavanya Marla, Milind Sohoni, and Senay Solak.

- AAS Chair Thomas Vossen reminded about open positions in the next round of elections to be held in Fall 2014. Open positions include Cluster Chair, Dissertation Prize Award Committee Chair, and a volunteer for guest editor role for the AAS annual newsletter.
- AAS Chair Thomas Vossen asked the members for any other business issues. None was brought up.
- Location and directions for the Dutch treat dinner, which was to take place at Salsa A La Salsa restaurant, were announced.
- The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by AAS Secretary/Treasurer Vikrant Vaze