Minutes of the ICS Business meeting: Monday, 14 Nov, Nashville TN

meeting called to order at 18:30 after some social time.

ICS Prize (agenda)
ICS Student Paper Prize (agenda)

Sec/Treas Steve Dirkse reported on the financials (looking good) and the membership (looking good). See agenda for his report. Steve shared his view that the current financial picture indicated no increase in the dues rate was warranted. The positive financials prompted a suggestion by JP Watson w/ support from Bruce Golden that the extra money be used for a good cause, like student scholarships for the ICS meeting.

David Woodruff reported on JoC. There are some major changes considered: be prepared for discussion of these in Austin, and see the agenda for his report.

Ned Dimitrov reported on progress organizing ICS 2017 in Austin. See agenda for his report.

Bill Hart reported on COIN-OR. He highlighted the recent news that Pyomo has been recognized by inclusion on the R&D 100 list. See this <u>link</u> for a video about Pyomo that features several ICS members on the Pyomo team.

The outgoing officers were recognized: Directors John Chinneck and Sam Burer. Nominations were taken from the floor for new Directors:

Hande Benson, Jim Ostrowski, Miles Lubin, Karen Ardaal

Nominations will remain open for 2-3 weeks after the meeting!!

Dick Barr requested nominations for the Greenberg Award. Nominations are due 15 Dec so the award can be presented in Austin. See the agenda for full details.

Matt Saltzman gave the President's Report: see the agenda for details. Matt's suggestion that SIGs should be formed "bottom-up" (i.e. like-minded groups of people with special interests could form and choose their own names) was met with approval by an informal show of hands.

The meeting was adjourned, sans human pyramid, at 19:11.

Steve Dirkse, ICS Secretary/Treasurer

# INFORMS Computing Society Business Meeting 2016

## **Agenda**

- ICS and Student Prizes Nick Sahinidis and Hande Benson)
- Financial Report (Steve Dirkse)
- Nashville Cluster (Cole Smith)
- Austin Meeting (Ned Dimitrov)
- Journal on Computing (Dave Woodruff)
- COIN-OR Report (Bill Hart)
- ICS Board Nominations
- Greenberg Prize Nominations (Dick Barr)
- Chair's (Brief) Remarks (Matt Saltzman)

## ICS Prize

The ICS 2016 Prize is awarded to Iain Dunning, Joey Huchette, and Miles Lubin for their creation and development of the JuMP open-source modeling language for mathematical programming, as detailed in the following two papers:

- Miles Lubin and Iain Dunning, "Computing in operations research using Julia," INFORMS Journal on Computing 27.2 (2015): 238-248.
- Iain Dunning, Joey Huchette, and Miles Lubin, "JuMP: A modeling language for mathematical optimization," to appear in

## ICS Student Paper Prize

The 2016 INFORMS Computing Society Student Paper Award Winner is Georgina Hall, Princeton University, for the paper,

 "DC Decomposition of Nonconvex Polynomials with Algebraic Techniques."

Advisor: Amir Ali Ahmadi

## ICS Student Paper Prize

- Runner-up: Hadi Charkhgard, University of Newcastle
- Runner-up: Terrence Mak, Australian National University
- Special Recognition: Iain Dunning, Swati Gupta, John Silberholz, MIT

## Reports

- Financial Report (Steve Dirkse)
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## **Board of Directors**

- Two nominations needed (two, replacing John Chinneck and Sam Burer)
- Current officers and volunteers: Matt Saltzman, Cole Smith, Steve Dirkse, Simge Kucukyavuz, Laura Albert, Shabbir Ahmed, Erick Moreno-Centeno, Rob Dell, Yongpei Guan, Ojas Parekh

# Harvey J. Greenberg Award for Service

## **Call for Nominations**

- Given in recognition of their impact on the INFORMS Computing Society
- Is a "lifetime achievement" award, given every two years
- There must be achievement as well as service

## **Criteria:**

- Member of ICS for five years.
- Major contributor to ICS and its objectives.
- Not a previous recipient of this award.

## Call for Nominations

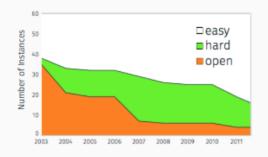
# Members Encouraged to Nominate a Candidate

- The Service Award
   Committee invites ICS
   members to nominate a candidate.
- Each nomination must include:
  - A letter presenting the case for the nominee
  - Endorsements by three ICS members
- Only one endorsement per ICS member

### **How to Nominate**

- Send nominations to barr@smu.edu
- Deadline: December 15
- Winner will be announced at the upcoming 15<sup>th</sup> ICS Conference in Austin on January 15, 2017

## **CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO MIPLIB 2017**



Since 1992, MIPLIB has been a key driver for computational progress in mixed integer programming.

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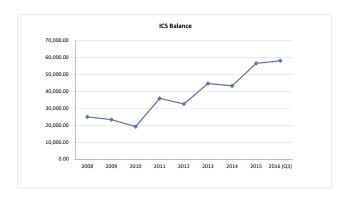
Go to miplibsubmissions.zib.de to submit your instances to the

## 6th Mixed Integer Programming Library

Deadline: Februar 28, 2017

An initiative by Arizona State University, COIN-OR, CPLEX, FICO, Gurobi, MIPCL, MOSEK, NuOPT, SAS, and Zuse Institute Berlin.

### ICS Treasurer's Report Steve Dirkse, GAMS Development Corp.



#### Financials: 2015-16

|                | 2009       | 2010       | 2011      | 2012       | 2013      | 2014       | 2015      | 2016 (Q3) |
|----------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Revenue        | 2,977.15   | 2,466.73   | 3,580.00  | 4,328.00   | 6,103.00  | 5,330.00   | 5,100.00  | 3,895.00  |
| Expense        | 7,154.01   | 3,650.10   | 4,540.82  | 2,936.10   | 3,669.17  | 6,724.00   | 4,400.00  | 2,407.24  |
| Meeting Profit | 2,523.61   | (2,925.66) | 17,618.33 | (4,656.30) | 9,632.26  | 0.00       | 12,603.03 | 0.00      |
| P/L            | (1,653.25) | (4,109.03) | 16,657.51 | (3,264.40) | 12,066.09 | (1,394.00) | 13,303.03 | 1,487.76  |
| Balance        | 23,283.87  | 19,174.84  | 35,832.35 | 32,567.95  | 44,634.04 | 43,240.04  | 56,543.07 | 58,030.83 |

Other revenue mainly from dues

≥ 2014: \$5000≥ 2015: \$4765≥ 2015q3: \$4545

▶ Main annual expenses (2015, 2016q3):

▶ business meeting: \$2000, \$2000

award expenses: \$1900, \$1900

▶ Journal on Computing: \$550, \$550

#### Membership Trend



#### Membership

|                 | 2011 | 2012-2016 | Opt. Society (2013-16) |
|-----------------|------|-----------|------------------------|
| Regular         | \$8  | \$10      | \$10                   |
| Student/Retired | \$1  | \$5       | \$10                   |

The increase in membership was due primarily to student memberships:

2014: 193 student, 421 regular

2015: 612 student, 445 regular

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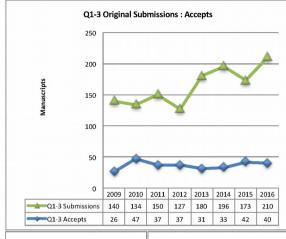
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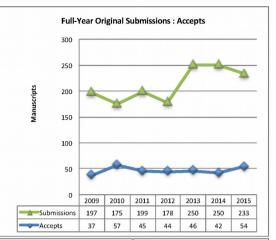
- Data with the paper is working!!
- I think we should consider major changes to the journal. Please attend the ICS Meeting in Austin to talk about it. One opportunity:

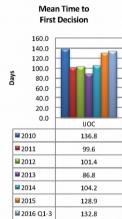
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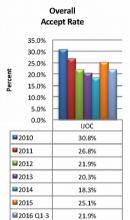
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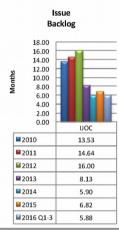
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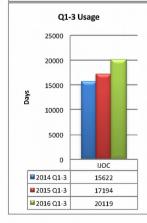


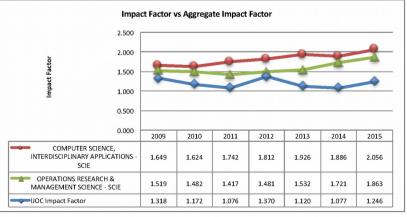






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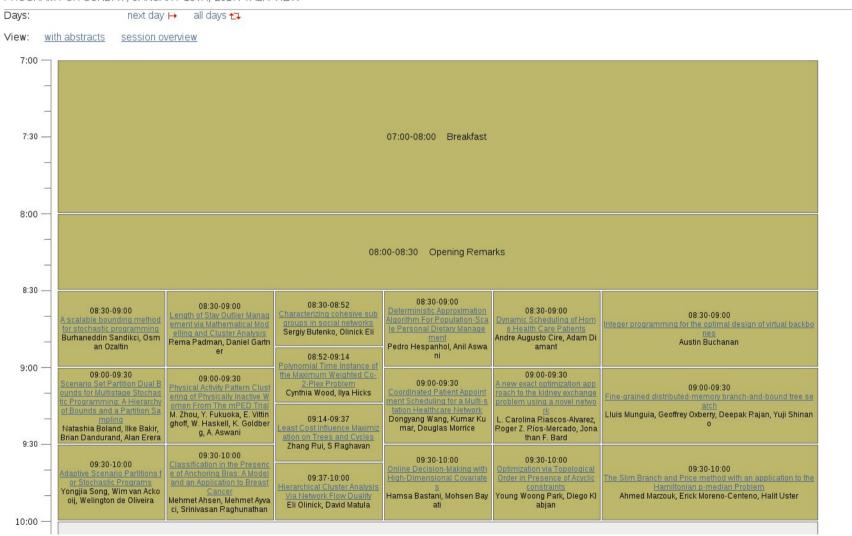
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You are invited to Austin to attend the 15th INFORMS Computing Society (ICS) to learn and share your expertise and experiences. The ICS addresses the interface of OR and computing. Since their earliest days, OR and computing have been tightly linked. The practice of OR depends heavily on the availability of software and systems capable of solving industrial-scale problems; computing is the heart of OR in application. ICS is INFORMS' leading edge for computation and technology. Major ICS interests are algorithms and software for modeling, optimization, and simulation. ICS is also interested in the leading edge of computing and how it affects OR. The theme of the 15th ICS Conference is Healthcare Analytics.

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- Dimitri Bertsekas, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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  Analysis and Approximate Dynamic Programming

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