Minutes
Business Meeting of the INFORMS Computing Society
Charlotte, INFORMS
Monday, November 14, 2011
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Opening

The meeting was opened at approximately 6:30 PM by the
chair Robert Vanderbei. His opening remarks consisted of
an agenda outline and an overview of the ICS Officers and
Board of Directors.

Membership Report

The membership report was given by Richard Barr.
He reported that we have increased the level to 600.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

The Secretary/Treasure's Report was given by Kipp Martin.
Highlights include;

* A balance of $37,736 at the end of Q2, 2011
        this number will go down by about $3000
        due to the Business Meeting expense
* The balance at the end of 2010 was $19,174
* We had a balance of $9,266 at the end of 2001
        and have increased to over $30,000 in 2011
* The major expenses and revenues were detailed
* Dues have increased from $8 to $10
* The 2010 Austin INFORMS Minutes were approved.

Nominations

Nominations for officers were taken from the floor
        by the Secretary/Treasurer

* Vice Chair -- two nominations
        Jonathan Eckstein, Rutgers University
        Ted Ralphs, Lehigh University

* Directors -- two nominations
        Dorit Hochbaum, University of Calfornia, Berkeley
        Jill Hardin Wilson, Northwestern University

* Secretary/Treasurer -- one nomination
        Simge Kucukyavuz, Ohio State University

Further nominations were solicited by email.

Past and Upcoming ICS Conferences

Rob Dell gave a summary of the 2011 Conference.
* Rob thanked those who helped make it happen.
* Much of the revenue came from late registrations.
* Thanks were given to sponsors GAMS, Gurobi, and IBM.
* A conference volume is also available.

Bill Hart spoke about the upcoming 2013 conference
* Will take place January 6-8, 2013.
* Location will be Sante Fe, New Mexico.
* A pre-meeting event will include CooprFest 2013.
* Jean-Paul Watson will also be helping with the conference.

INFORMS J. on Computing Report

A report on the INFORMS Journal on Computing
was given by John Chinneck.
* He listed and thanked the Associate Editors.
* He gave a report on submission statistics.
* He also gave citation statistics.
* Fred Glover's Tabu Search paper is referenced over
        5000 times!
* There is a new book review section due to Harvey Greenberg.

Report on Math. Programming Glossary

A report on the Math Programming Glossary was given

by Al Holder.
* Hit counts are high over last four weeks
        59,281-75,759
* Cited 180 times in Wikipedia
* New information on Constraint Programming due to
        Chris Beck, Andrea Rendl, Serdar Kadioglu, and
        Roger Kameugne
* We are moving to an improved Wiki format.

Report on COIN-OR

The COIN-OR report was given by Lou Hafer.
* COIN-OR is moving to a new server at Clemson University
* COIN-OR now has a new Installer for binaries
* There is a CoinEasy project for new users.
* There were three new projects in 2011, CMPL,
        Djinni, and ROSE.

ICS Prizes and Awards
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* ICS Student Paper Award
        * Susan R. Hunger, Virginia Tech University
        * Paper: "Optimal Sampling Laws for Stochastically
        Constrained Simulation on Finite Sets"
        * Advisor: Raghu Paupathy
        * Selection Committee: Shabbir Ahmed (chair), Peter Frazier,
                Dominique Orban

* ICS Prize
        * Dorit Hochbaum, University of California, Berkeley
        * Paper: "Polynomial Time Algorithms for Ratio Regions and
                a Variant of the Normalized Cut," Appearing in
                IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine
                Inteligence
        * Selection Committee: Sam Burer (chair), David Kelton, and
                Pascal Van Hentenryck

INFORMS Fellows (Class of 2011)

Harvey Greenberg was elected an INFORMS Fellow in the class of 2011.

Clarification of Prize rules/eligibility

Bill Cook has agreed to work on rewriting and clarifying prize eligibility requirements during 2012.

Newsletter Editor

The new Newsletter Editor is Yongpei Guan, University of Florida.

NSF's AI/OR Initiative

Warren Powell spoke on the NSF's AI/OR initiative. He spoke about the objective of bringing together stochastic optimization with approximate dynamic programming. Also about the possibility of a special interest group in this area. He pointed out that ICS is a natural home for stochastic optimization.

Other Business
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* Robert Vanderbei was thanked for his two-year service as chair.
* Bill Hart solicited volunteers to take over as Web Master
* Bjarni Kristjansson reported on plans for more social networking
        at the 2013 Business Meeting. Plans include an ICS blog.
* Bjarni Kristjansson also made a request for donations of pictures
        from past meetings.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM.

Attendance

There were 87 individuals signing the attendance sheet. This was up from 58 at the 2010 INFORMS Austin Meeting.

Submitted by Kipp Martin, Secretary/Treasurer.