Minutes
Business Meeting of the INFORMS Computing Society
Charlotte, INFORMS
Monday, November 14, 2011
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Opening
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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
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The membership report was given by Richard Barr. He reported that we have increased the level to 600.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report
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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
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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 California, 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
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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
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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.

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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
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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
    Intelligence
  * Selection Committee: Sam Burer (chair), David Kelton, and
    Pascal Van Hentenryck

INFORMS Fellows (Class of 2011)
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Harvey Greenberg was elected an INFORMS Fellow in the class of 2011.

Clarification of Prize rules/eligibility
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Bill Cook has agreed to work on rewriting and clarifying prize eligibility requirements during 2012.

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

NSF's AI/OR Initiative
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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
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The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM.

Attendance
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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.