Minutes
Business Meeting of the INFORMS Computing Society
Minneapolis, INFORMS
Monday, October 7, 2013
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Opening

The meeting was opened at approximately 6:30 PM by the chair Bill Cook.

Upcoming ICS Conference

Chair-elect Ted Ralphs announced the general chair of the upcoming 2015 ICS Conference: Paul
Brooks of Virginia Commonwealth University.
* It will take place January 4-6, 2015.
* Location will be Richmond, VA.
* Preliminary list of local, program committee (chair Brian Borchers), and plenary speaker was
announced.
* An informal vote was taken to gauge interest in conference proceedings.

Membership Report

The membership report was given by the Membership Committee Chair, Dick Barr.
He reported that we have increased the ICS membership to 594 and LinkedIn group membership to
1287.

IT Initiatives

Several IT initiatives were presented by Bjarni Kristjansson, including three Apps for the
INFORMS Meeting, INFORMS Connect for networking, and a database of member profiles.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

The Secretary/Treasurer's Report was given by Simge Kucukyavuz.
Highlights include;

* A balance of $49,612 at the end of Q2, 2013 (highest ever).
* The balance at the end of 2012 was $32,568, the increase is mainly due to the 2013 ICS
Meeting profit
* The major expenses and revenues were detailed
* The ICS membership increased from 506 in 2012 to 594 in 2013.

Nominations

Nominations for officers were taken from the floor. The list (after withdrawals) is:

* Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect:

Shabbir Ahmed
Jonathan Eckstein
Jeff Linderoth
Matt Saltzman

* Board of Directors (two members):

Sam Burer
John Chinneck

Leo Lopes
Dick O'Neill
Siqian Shen
John Siirola

* Secretary/Treasurer:

Steve Dirkse
Abhijit Gosavi
George Lan
Ilya Ryzhov

Further nominations were solicited by email.

INFORMS J. on Computing Report
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A report on the INFORMS Journal on Computing was given by Dave Woodruff.
* New initiatives (continuous publication, data in online supplement, appreciation to reviewers) were announced.
* The personnel changes in Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors were announced.
* A report on submission and acceptance statistics was given.

COIN-OR

The location of COIN-OR INFORMS Cup (sponsored by AIMMS, GAMS, and Maximal) was announced by Steve Dirkse.

The COIN-OR report was given by Ted Ralphs.

ICS Prizes and Awards
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* ICS Student Paper Award
        * Winner: Jing Xie, Cornell University
        * Paper: "Sequential Bayes-Optimal Policies for Multiple Comparisons with a Known Standard"
        * Runner-Up: Rodrigo Carrasco, Columbia University
        * Paper: "Resource Cost Aware Scheduling"
        * Selection Committee: Michael Fu (Chair), Laurent Michel, Cindy Phillips

* ICS Prize
        * John Gunnar Carlsson, University of Minnesota
        * Papers:
          "Dividing a territory among several vehicles," INFORMS Journal on Computing, 2012
          "Robust partitioning of stochastic multivehicle routing," with Erick Delage, Operations Research, 2013.
          "Dividing a territory among several facilities," with Raghuveer Devulapalli, INFORMS Journal on Computing, 2012.
        * Selection Committee: Chris Beck, Dan Bienstock, Dorit Hochbaum (Chair)

Other Business
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* Special Interest Groups (SIGs): Chair Bill Cook indicated that there is general support for the creation of SIGs, however more work is needed to identify the special interest areas. He called for a committee to be formed to create proposals. Warren Powell was nominated to be the chair of this committee in absentia.

Closing

Following the tradition starting from John Chinneck, the ICS mug was transferred to the Chair-Elect Ted Ralphs. A human pyramid was formed topped by the incoming chair, Ted Ralphs.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM.

Attendance

There were 85 individuals in attendance.

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Submitted by Simge Kucukyavuz, Secretary/Treasurer.