
INFORMS Computing Society Business Meeting Minutes, October 13, 2008

Attendance

A list of those signing the attendance sheet at the meeting is attached to the end of this document.

Opening and Chair's Remarks

The meeting was opened at 6:46 PM by Chair Robin Lougee-Heimer, who then offered some remarks. A big thank you was given to John Chinneck for his service as ICS chair. A cup was presented to John to facilitate the consumption of his favorite beverage. Next Robin thanked the officers stepping down. This included Rob Dell (Board), Pascal Van Hentenryck (Board), and Harvey Greenberg (Newsletter Editor). Robin also thanked the a number of project and committee chairs. This included Pascal Van Hentenryck and Laurent Michel (Webmasters), Bill Hart (Blog Master), Dick Bar, Harvey Greenberg, Karla Hoffman, Irv Lustig, and Ted Ralphs (Membership Committee), Jill Hardin, Kevin Furman, Allen Holder, David Rader, Ceasar Rego, Arthur Hanna, Chris Beck, Harvey Greenberg, Ariela Sofer (ICS Education Committee), Rob Dell (Leading Edge Tutorials), Allen Holder (Math Programming Glossary), and Harvey Greenberg (Newsletter). Robin reported on a new record of 105 ICS sessions at the Washington meeting.

Reports

Secretary and Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was delivered by Kipp Martin. He reported that ICS is in good shape with a balance of over \$27,000. Much of the surplus is due to a very successful 2005 Maryland ICS meeting.

At this time nominations were taken to fill two board memberships. Jill Hardin and Bill Hart were nominated from the floor. Nominations were closed and nominations by email were then solicited.

Membership Committee Report

Dick Barr gives his report -- as of 9/2008 we were at 448 members, down from 535 last year. Last year we had many student sign-ups. We need 500 to avoid to probation. Ideas were suggested for San Diego such as \$7 for the beer/wine but free membership.

ICS Education Committee

Jill Hardin gave a report from the education committee. They will deliver a final report in Charleston on an appropriate curriculum for undergraduates planning to work/study at the OR/CS interface.

ICS Tutorials

Rob Dell spoke. Wants to improve attendance. Rob asked for suggestions for future topics.

Math Programming Glossary

The Math Programming Glossary was discussed. The big issue is updating the HTML. A motion was made to pay for a student to update the pages. The motion passed and a student will be hired.

INFORMS JOC Editor Report

John Chinneck delivered the JOC report. The new Area Editors are Bob Fourer (Modeling: Methods and Analysis), Winfried Grassmann (Computational Probability and Analysis) Alexander Tuzhilin (Knowledge and Data Management), and David Woodruff (Heuristic Search and Learning). The new

Associate Editors are Erwin Pesch, Jean-Paul Watson, Hande Yaman, Theodoros Evgeniou, and Gediminas Adomavicius.

There is a new area Computational Biology and Medical Applications with Harvey Greenberg as the Editor. The Associate Editors for this area are Allen Holder, Ming-Ying Leung, and Russell Schwartz. Manuscript Central is up and running. A special issue on High-Throughput Optimization is coming. Sponsors announced included AIMMS, ARKI, GAMS, Haverly Systems, IBM, ICS, and LINDO Systems.

ICS Newsletter

Thanks were given to Matt MacLeod is the Assistant Editor. Jeff Lindereth was announced as the new editor.

COIN-OR Report

Robin Lougee-Heimer gave the COIN-OR report. COIN-OR is a strategic Partner of ICS. There are now over 30 projects with 55 developers. She announced that the first COIN-OR Vendor Workshop was given at the Washington INFORMS on Saturday, October, 11. ICS members were also invited to attend the COIN-OR Cup meeting at 9 PM.

Prizes

The 2008 ICS Student Paper Award was given by Alper Atamturk (other members were David Morton (Chair) and Nick Sahinidis. The award was a \$500 honorarium with free registration at the ICS conference. The winner was Guanghui Lan for "Efficient Methods for Stochastic Composite Optimization" A thank you was given to the Mica Foundation for funding this award.

Jim Orlin (chair) announced the ICS Prize. The committee also consisted of Mike Trick and Pascal Van Hentenryck. The winners were Bob Day and S. Raghavan for "Fair Payments for Efficient Allocations in Public Sector Combinatorial Auctions."

Conferences

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Announcements were made about the following conferences

ICS09

CORS/INFORMS 2009

2009 INFORMS Annual meeting

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Other Announcements

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Bob Vanderbei is organizing the Sponsored Sessions for the 2009 INFORMS Annual meeting and is soliciting titles for sponsored sessions.

Bill Cook announced the new journal "Math Programming Computation".

Matt Saltzman is outgoing Software Review editor for OR/MS Today and solicited a replacement.

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Adjourned

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The meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

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