

IEEE Computational Intelligence Society

ADCOM Meeting
23 November 2008
The Riviera Hotel
Las Vegas, NV USA

Present CIS EXCOM Members:

President David Fogel
Past-President..... Vincenzo Piuri
Vice President, Finance Piero Bonissone
Vice President, Conferences..... Garrison Greenwood
Vice President, Technical Activities..... Kay Wiese
Vice President, Publications..... Jim Keller
Vice President, Members Activities..... Slawo Wesolkowski

Present Elected ADCOM Members (voting):

Bernadette Bouchon-Meunier
Gary Fogel
Jerry Mendel
Leszek Rutkowski
Pablo Estevez
Fahmida Chowdhury
Derong Liu
Laszlo Koczy
Jim Bezdek
Gary Yen
Simon Lucas
Marios Polycarpou
Fahmida Chowdhury
Chin-Teng Lin

Absent:

Toshio Fukuda
Enrique Ruspini

Editors and Chairs in Attendance:

Editor, Transactions on Evolutionary Comp.....Xin Yao
Editor, Transactions on Neural Networks.....Marios Polycarpou
Editor, Transactions on Fuzzy Systems.....Nik Pal
Editor, Computational Intelligence Magazine.....Gary Yen
TC Fuzzy Systems (Chair)..... Hisao Ishibuchi
TC Evolutionary Computation (Chair).....Kay Chen Tan

TC Intelligent Systems Applications (Chair).....	Ke Chen
TC Emergent Technologies.....	Vincenzo Loia
TC Computational Finance and Economics.....	Han La Poutre
Awards Committee (Chair).....	Gary Yen
Constitution & Bylaws Committee (Chair).	Piero Bonissone
Nominations and Appointments.....	Vincenzo Piuri
Distinguished Lecturers Program (Chair).....	Leszek Rutkowski
Educational Activities Committee (Chair).....	Rami Abielmona
GOLD	Damien Coyle
Fellows.....	Xin Yao
Multimedia Tutorials.....	Deana Delp
Standards.....	Robert Kozma
Manager, CIS Webpage.....	Julia Chung
Manager, CIS E-Letter.....	Derong Liu

Staff:

Jo-Ellen Snyder

David Fogel called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM and welcomed everyone. Role call was made.

Motion by Piuri to approve agenda

Seconded.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Piuri to approve minutes of ADCOM meeting of June 2008. Seconded.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

President’s Report – David Fogel

Fogel reported on the TAB level actions, motions passed and open issues.

Fogel reported on the actions taken by the AdCom via email vote, the results were:

Approved:

- Approval of CISDA2009
- Approval of Editorial Support for T-CIAIG

Nomination Committee Report – Vincenzo Piuri

Piuri reminded the voting body of the composition of the Nominations Committee

Officers Election: Nomination

Motion by Piuri to open the floor for nominations. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Piuri to close nominations for VP-Education. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Meeting entered into Executive Session.

Motion by Piuri to leave the executive session. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Meeting left Executive Session.

Motion by Piuri to begin election of VP-Education. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

The VP Education is: Jennie Si

Motion by Piuri to destroy ballots. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Piuri to close nominations for VP-Members Activities. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Meeting entered into Executive Session.

Motion by Piuri to leave the executive session. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Meeting left Executive Session.

Motion by Piuri to begin election of VP-Member Activities. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

The VP-Members Activities is: Slawo Wesolkowski

Motion by Piuri to destroy ballots. Seconded.
In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Past President's Report – Vincenzo Piuri

Piuri reported on the status of the Systems Council and the Biometrics Council and their activities.

Constitution and Bylaws – Vincenzo Piuri

Piuri reported on the activities of the committee. The following items were highlighted:

- MOU between INNS and IEEE CIS regarding IJCNN

Motion by Piuri to approve the MOU between CIS and INNS to govern IJCNN. Seconded.

In Favor – ALL Opposed – None Abstained – None

Piuri discussed the sequential nomination practice for elections and amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws to remove the automatic nomination clause from the documents.

Motion by Piuri to approve the removal of automatic nomination for CIS elections. Seconded.

In Favor – ALL Opposed – None Abstained – None

VP-Technical Activities Report – Kay Wiese

Wiese reported on the activities of the TCs and changes to the Chairs

Wiese presented a proposal for a new TC on Adaptive Dynamic Programming and Reinforcement Learning.

Motion to terminate the Granular Computing Technical Committee effective: 31 December 2008. Seconded.

In Favor – ALL Opposed – None Abstained – None

Neural Networks TC Report – Cesare Alippi

Reported on activities of the TC, providing the membership of the committee, conference participation, publications and the activities of the Task Forces.

Fuzzy Systems TC Report – Hisao Ishibuchi

Reported on activities of the TC including four new Task Forces, changes to Task Forces, special issues, and conference participation.

Emergent Technologies TC Report –Vincenzo Loia

Reported on the activities of the TC including activities in conjunction with conferences, publications and Task Force activities.

Intelligent Systems Applications TC Report – Ke Chen

Reported on the activities of the TC, upcoming conference activities, special issues, and the creation of new Task Forces.

Break for Lunch 12noon – 1:05pm

Bioinformatics and Bioengineering TC Report – Gwenn Volkert

Reported on the activities of the TC, the continued success of its flagship conference CIBCB and its involvement with T-CBB including special issues. She also highlighted the continued activities of the Task Forces in support of the growth of the TC.

Computational Finance and Economics TC Report – Han LaPoutre

Reported on the activities of the TC, the completed reorganization of the TC in support of its strategic plan. The activities of the TC were highlighted including renewed participation in the Cifer conference.

Games TC Report – Simon Lucas

Reported on activities of the TC, including activities that use CI technologies in games and competitions that are hosted by the TC. A brief report was given regarding the new CIS Transactions on Computational Intelligence and AI in Games.

Adaptive Dynamic Programming and Reinforcement Learning TC Report – Derong Liu

Reported on the activities of the newly formed TC, upcoming conference activities, the open search for opportunities to propose special sessions and workshops and the creation of three Task Forces.

Wiese provided reports on behalf of the chairs of the following committees:

- ECTC - KC Tan
- AMDTC - Zhengyou Zhang
- DMTC – Kate Smith-Miles

VP-Conferences Report – Garrison Greenwood

Greenwood reported on slate of conferences where CIS is a Sponsor, Technical Co-Sponsor, and presented the Conference Closing report highlighting the Conferences that are not yet closed. Greenwood also discussed the MOU for CIMSA and the IEEE MOU requirements for financially and technically cosponsored conferences.

Green wood also provided an overview of issues addressed within ConfCom and reviewed the conference calendar.

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the 50% Financial Cosponsorship of the IEEE International

Conference on Computational Intelligence for Measurement Systems and Applications.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the CIMSA MOU.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the CIMSA budget.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the general chair, dates and venue of the IEEE 2009 CIMSA.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the requested budget changes for the CIBCB 2008 budget.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to approve the general chair and venue of the IEEE 2009 ICDL Conference.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee that VP Conferences shall have the authority to sign any technical cosponsored MOU.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee that CIS members shall receive a lower registration fee than IEEE member who are not members of CIS. This registration differential shall not exceed the cost of CIS membership.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

A new relationship between EPS, IET and CIS was discussed in relationship to the CEC Conference.

Motion by Greenwood from the Conference Committee to upon receipt of a grant from the Evolutionary Programming Society in the amount of \$25,000.00, the CIS will become 100% sponsor of IEEE CEC.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Bonissone to add the word “former” before EPS.

In Favor – 10 Opposed – 5 Abstained – 3

Motion by Bonissone to change the word “formerly” to “previously” before cosponsored.

In Favor – 10 Opposed – 5 Abstained – 3

Motion by Bonissone to amend agenda to VP Finance Report followed by VP Members Activities and VP Publications.

In Favor – ALL Opposed – None Abstained – None

VP Finance Report – Piero Bonissone

Bonissone presented the Financial Statements for 2007 actuals, 2008 projection and surplus. He gave an overview of the 2008 finances performance against the budget, a 2008 Year-End forecast, and presented the 2009 Budget and Control Parameters and Key Expenses. The financial future was discussed and the significant increases in expenses and decreases in revenue that impact the CIS Financial statement.

VP Members Activities Report – Slawo Wesolkowski

Wesolkowski provided membership statistics showing the steady growth of CIS. He also highlighted the accomplishments of the Members Activities Committee and discussed the completed restructuring of the subcommittees.

Wesolkowski presented the DLP Guidelines and the e-Letter Guidelines.

Motion by Wesolkowski to approve the DLP Guidelines as presented.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Wesolkowski to approve the e-Letter Guidelines as presented.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

VP-Publications Report – Jim Keller

Keller provided a review of the activities of the Publications Committee and related journals.

Motion by Keller to approve up to \$5,000.00 in 2008 and up to \$15,000.00 in 2009 for Editorial Support Services.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Keller to establish Recognition for Outstanding Service as an Associate Editor, and Reviewers, uot to 3 per category for CIS sponsored publications.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Motion by Keller to establish Recognition for Outstanding Service as an Associate Editor, and Reviewers, uot to 3 per category for CIS cosponsored publications, pending approval from responsible Steering Committee.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Transactions on Neural Networks Report – Marios Polycarpou

Reported on the status of T-NN highlighting that it became a monthly publication beginning January 2008. Polycarpou also reported on the key statistics of the journal. The goal of reducing the sub to first decision time was also discussed.

Transactions on Fuzzy Systems Report – By Jim Kller on behalf of Nik Pal

Reported on highlights of TFS, the impact factor is at it highest point as of 2008 and well ahead of its competitors. Special issues and updates to the TFS website were also discussed. The transition to Manuscript Central has stabilized and frequency of problems are diminishing.

Transactions on Evolutionary Computation Report – Xin Yao

Reported on the transition to the next E-i-C, the drop in impact factor in 2007 from 2006 and the trend across the competing journals.

Transactions on Computational Intelligence and AI in Games Report – Simon Lucas

Reported that the preliminary editorial board is nearly completed, the nominees have accepted to serve. Manuscript Central went live in September and submissions are anticipated, a conscious effort will be made to solicit submissions.

Transactions on Autonomous Mental Development Report – Zhengyou Zhang

Reported that the Manuscript Central site is currently in test mode, the journal website to provide information to prospective authors has been established. Candidates for the Editorial board are currently under evaluation.

Editor, CI Magazine – Gary Yen

Reported on the status of the Magazine, a request for overrun pages was approved by to allow the complete presentation of the planned issue. This signifies a healthy growth from the previous year. A style guideline is under development to educate our authors to better identify papers suitable for the CIM, as opposed to those better submitted to our three transactions. CIM was reviewed by the TAB Periodical Review Committee on April 16. Valuable suggestions were offered by the PRC members and our responses were also submitted to address each and every concerning issue raised by the PRC.

IEEE Transactions on NanoBioscience - Kay C. Wiese

Reported on the developments with the *IEEE Transactions on NanoBioscience*. Last year was a busy year recruiting a new Editor in Chief. The outgoing EIC is Carmelina Ruggiero and the Steering Committee has accepted the recommendation of the Search Committee to appoint Michael Hughes as the new EIC. Michael has served the journal well in his previous role as Senior Editor. The impact factor is doing well and has increased over the past three years. CIS members have supported the journal as authors, reviewers and Associate Editors over the past years, particularly from the Bioinformatics and Bioengineering Technical Committee.

Liaison to IEEE Press – Gary Fogel

Reported on the activities of the IEEE Press and the CI book series and provided details on the following:

- Press Restructure
- Expert Now!
- CIS Book Series

Awards Committee Chair Report – Gary Yen

Yen briefly discussed the new awards that will be presented to the AdCom commenting that additional work needs to be done prior to a more formal presentation to the AdCom for approval.

New Business

Fogel announced the next meeting will be held on June 14, 2009 in conjunction with IJCNN 2009 in Atlanta, GA, USA. All committees will be scheduled to meet on June 12 and June 13.

The second meeting will be held December 6, 2009 in Honolulu, Hawaii. All committees will be scheduled to meet December 4 and December 5.

Fogel expressed thatnk to Fahmida Chowdhury, Derong Liu and Toshio Fukuda for their dedicated service to the AdCom.

Fogel extended Thank to Jim Keller for his dedicated service as VP Publication.

Motion by Bonissone to adjourn the meeting. Seconded.

In Favor – All Opposed – None Abstained – None

Meeting adjourned 5:00 PM.