APPROVED BY AIS COUNCIL ON JUNE 10, 2019

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AIS Council Meeting
Friday, March 8th, 2019 | 9am - Noon EDT | Online

Attending: T.P. Liang, Matti Rossi, Jason Thatcher, Shu Schiller, Vishal Midha, Matt Nelson, Lakshmi Iyer, Rhonda Syler, Traci Carte, Ryan Wright, Ritu Agarwal, Stacie Petter, Tilo Böhmann, Ming-Hui Huang, Carol Saunders
Attending Staff: Lise Fitzpatrick, Tenez Quarles, Brook Pritchett
Regrets: Alan Dennis, Heikki Topi

9:00am

Item#
1 TP Liang Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions
2 S. Schiller Approval of Minutes of Dec 2018 Council Meeting
Tilo moves, Ritu seconds. All approve. Minutes approved.

3 TP Liang Approval of Agenda

REPORTS Item#
4 TP Liang President's Report
Liang reports on major activities of the AIS council such as the celebration of the 25th anniversary, developing member conduct guidelines, and signing contracts with journals. AIS is calling for applicants for the AIS Historian. Liang also reminds the AIS election, which is running till March 18th.

5 A. Dennis President-Elect's Report
Dennis is not present at the meeting. Liang shows the report on the screen. No questions nor discussions.

6 M. Rossi Immediate Past President's Report
Rossi reports on AIS – ICIS Relations Task Force, WITS and WISE, and ECIS. Böhmann clarifies the ECIS conference about the one-day pass.

J. Thatcher Member At Large
No report.

7 V. Midha
Treasurer's Report. Midha reports that the budgets for two conferences AMCIS and ICIS both have been approved. Finance Committee Report. Midha reports that the committee has voted and approved the three contracts for Meeting Expectations (ME), RGI, and BePress with ME and

RGI for two years' and BePress for three years' renewal.

8 M. Nelson/L. Fitzpatrick
Nelson reports on the AIS Office updates. 2019 is an important year for AIS. The IBM global conference sponsor proposal has just been approved. There is a lot of efforts and updates. Journal open access is coming as well. Pritchett adds about the 25th anniversary celebration. A website has been built and the team is crowdsourcing the content. The content will be cross posted through multiple channels. Membership campaigns. Our membership renewal language has been updated to help retain our members. Pritchett shows a video of the logo transformation. Members discuss the logo design in detail such as colors, shapes, elements, meaning, and branding.

9 S. Schiller
Schiller shows the Reminders List from Prior Meetings. Members add updates to a number of items listed. Schiller will update both the reminders list and the approved initiatives.

10 T. Carte VP Conferences Report
Carte reports on conference budgeting, linking conferences and journals, and the new AVPs. New AVPs have been appointed, one for AMCIS and one for ICIS. Carte updates on bids for conferences. Members clarify that we have defined the AVP roles at the December 2018 meeting. Nelson clarifies that we now make the official bylaws change, which is to be approved at this March meeting. Members add that some approved decisions need to be updated on the website. Members suggest that we have a process to make sure these approved decisions are updated.

11 R. Agarwal
Agarwal presents the ICIS Representative Report. Conferences are going well. Selection for ICIS 2020 has been completed. We need to think about how to enhance SIG involvement. Members discuss TREO talks and Paper-a-thon at ICIS. Some raised questions about TREO and how it's affiliated with ICIS.

12 R. Wright VP Membership & Chapters Report
Wright reports on membership growth and chapter growth. Our doctoral students are growing. Our conferences now have a lot of doctoral students. Wright reminds that our healthy chapters tend to have healthy communities.

13 S. Petter
Petter reports on Region 1. AMCIS 2018 had a great success. But member satisfaction was lower than expected. Poster session has always been a challenge. Now poster is optional and the decision is up to the conference. For instance, 2019 will not have a poster session. The 2019 paper submissions have just finished and the number was in line with last year.

14 T. Böhmann Region 2 Report
Böhmann reports on Region 2. ECIS had very strong number of submissions this year. The

region will have a region board meeting in March. ECIS 2021 now has two bids from Romania and Copenhagen but Copenhagen is also bidding for ICIS 2022. We could ask one of the teams to postpone a year. Members discuss the politics and conflict of interests. Böhmann talks about INFORMS and impact and suggests considering creating a specific award. Members agree that we need the appropriate measurement for impact.

15 M. Huang Region 3 Report
Huang reports on Region 3. Progress of PACIS 2021 Sydney. The conference chairs are aware of its high registration fee and are working on it. Locations for PACIS 2022 could be Singapore, Hong Kong, and Macau. PACIS 2019 in Xi'an has received over 400 submissions with over 1000 authors from 51 countries. Top three countries are China, Australia, and Taiwan. The conference is starting a new initiative: a Chinese track.

16 C. Saunders VP Publications Report
Saunders reports. Dorothy Leidner will be the new EIC of JAIS. A committee was formed to consider open access to some or all AIS journals and proceedings and will make recommendations soon.

17 R. Syler VP Student Chapters Report
Syler reports. This time of the year is very busy for student chapters. The 2019 Student Conference will be held in April. Finalists of student competitions will take place in Philadelphia in April.

18 H. Topi VP Education Report
Topi is not present. Liang shows his report on the screen. No questions nor discussions.

19 L. Iyer VP SIGs & Colleges Report
Iyer reports on the highlights of senior scholars, diversity and inclusion, transition to Higher Logic, involvement with SIGs at conferences, and activities for the 25th anniversary celebration. She discussions the AVPs and how to connect with someone who would like to serve as AVP. She reminds that the VP position is up for election next year.

BLOCK VOTES Item#
0 min 20 M. Nelson Add AVP / AP updated (Block Vote)
Wright moves to modify AIS Bylaw 6.5(d) for the assignment of Associate Vice President. Saunders seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

0 min 21 M. Nelson Add VP to Regional Rep / AP updated (Block Vote)
Wright moves to modify AIS Bylaw 6.5(p) to add AIS Vice President to the title of AIS Regional Representatives on AIS Council. Saunders seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

AGENDA POINTS

Agenda Points in order of AIS Strategic Goals (Adopted December, 2010)

The following agenda points may or may not be taken in the order listed. The president will establish the order at the time of the meeting.

#1 Promote AIS as a global leader for excellence in information systems research, practice, and education.
22 Nelson & Wright
AIS & Bocconi University - Ph.D. Student Travel Grant
Matt and Ryan add background information. Members discuss the details of the funding such as what if they don't spend the total amount. Member suggests that all awardees should help spread out the word and help other students.
Wright moves to approve the formation of the "AIS & Bocconi University PhD Student Travel Grant Program". Iyer seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

PhD Student Membership Grant
Nelson adds background information. We have some funds to award doctoral students in developing countries with the membership. The committee will come up with the specific criteria later. Iyer thanks and adds that SIGs constantly ask for support for doctoral students.
Wright moves to approve the formation of the "AIS PhD Student - AIS Membership Grant" Program. Iyer seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

#2 Position information systems as a leading profession in the service of society.

#3 Lead and promote excellence in information systems education.

#4 Lead and promote excellence in information systems scholarship.
23 C. Saunders Journal of Business Analytics (Approval as AIS Affiliated Journal)
Saunders explains that the goal is to make a critical mass of journals available to our members, journals with good to high quality, to increase the number of niche journals in our e-Library such as Journal of Business Analytics. By creating a critical mass, other journals will want to become AIS Affiliated journals.
Saunders moves to approve Journal of Business Analytics as an AIS affiliated journal. Iyer seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

24 C. Saunders EIC Publishing in AIS Journals
Saunders explains that the goal is to improve our processes in all our AIS journals. This came from the Publication Committee whether to allow EIC to publish in the journal or not. Arguments against it are that AEs and SEs can be biased and it does not look good for the journal. The Publication Committee felt that the EICs should not publish in their journals during the EIC's tenure. The committee came up with the policy that was shared in basecamp and was proposed as a new bylaw.

Saunders moves to approve the following addition to the bylaws:
11.3.2 Publishing as the Editor-in-Chief of an AIS Journal
Editors-in-Chief and Co-Editor-in-Chiefs of all AIS journals are not to submit articles to or publish articles, research notes, research essays, issues and opinion pieces, reviews or any other types of publication except editorials or Special Issue forewords in the journal for which they serve as Editor-in-Chief during their tenure as Editor-in-Chief (EIC). An exception is if a manuscript that they authored or co-authored was submitted to the journal prior to the start of their term as EIC. In such case a footnote on the title page should explain that the manuscript was submitted for review before their term as EIC began.
Petter seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

#5 Cultivate a community by providing services and products to meet the diverse needs of members and related communities.
25 R. Wright Distinguished Membership
Wright: the membership committee worked on the details of the distinguished membership. Wright adds that they are working on the details and the process.
Wright moves to approve the establishment of a new Distinguished Member Award, which will be managed by the VP of Membership and Chapters. Petter seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

26 R. Wright Renaming of Distinguished to AIS Presidential Emeritus Award
Wright explains that we are changing the name of the award. Members discuss the title and the most appropriate name for this award. Members talk about the LEO awards.

27 M. Nelson Change Member Beginning Date
Nelson explains that this is a follow-up with our discussion in December 2018.
Nelson moves to modify AIS Bylaw 6.6 Tenure to change Council Member terms to begin September 1. This will take effect with elections of 2019 and become effective Sept 1 2020. Saunders seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

28 M. Nelson Member Suspension & Censure Bylaw
Nelson explains that there are some remedies added to our bylaws, which are very important.
Nelson moves to approve the modification of AIS Bylaw #4.2 Member Expulsion and add the new AIS Bylaw #4.3 Member Censure. Carte seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

29 M. Nelson Member Conduct Committee
Nelson presents that AIS has a research conduct committee but we don't have a member conduct committee. We will create the policy later and our attorney will work with us and review this in the fall. We can possibly vote on this policy in December 2019. Members agree that this is very important for our association.
Nelson moves to approve the formation of a new AIS standing committee called the AIS Member Conduct Committee (MCC) and modify AIS Bylaws #10.1, and add new AIS Bylaws

#10.2 (P) and AIS Bylaw #10.3(P) to establish the AIS Member Conduct Committee in AIS Bylaws. Petter seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

Summary, Discussion, Confirmations, New Business

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30 TP Liang President's Summary Comments
Liang thanks all members.

31 TP Liang New Business
Liang invites new business. None.

Noon EDT TP Liang Adjournment
Meeting adjourns at 11:33am.