

Wednesday, September 06, 2023

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Attendees

Voting: Brad Morrison, Allyson Beall King, Timothy Clancy, Shayne Gary, Raafat Zaini, Peter Hovmand, Raafat Zaini, Asmeret Naugle, Eliot Rich, Sara Metcalf, Lees Stuntz, Jenson Goh, Hyunjung Kim, Jeroen Struben, Krys Stave, Diana Fisher, Bob Eberlein

Non-voting: Billy Schoenberg, Willem Auping, Raquel Buzogany, Rebecca Niles

Agenda

0:05 Welcome and Agenda

0:05 Motions

0:05 Dashboard (Rebecca)

0:20 VP Updates (Sara - Conference)

0:10 MIT SD Club (Peter Hovmand)

0:20 Nominations (Lees)

0:15 Proposed Policy updates - first read (Bob)

Minutes

President, Brad Morrison, brought the meeting to order and introduced the agenda.

Secretary, Lees Stuntz, moved to approve the July 2023 PC meetings. Participants noticed the minutes had not been posted to the webportal; Willem Auping was missing from the audience list. Lees will follow up and voting will occur in a next meeting.

Executive Director, Rebecca Niles, shared the update on Society reserves. She also asked PC members to identify high quality conference presentations to support the effort of disseminating this information.

VP Meetings, Sara Metcalf, shared the historical net conference revenue from the conference, the correlation between submissions and attendance, and proposed recommendations for conference marketing.

VP Chapters & SIGs, Peter Hovmand, introduced the MIT SD group request to constitute a Chapter of the System Dynamics Society. Discussion revolved about financial limitations and how to differentiate from the Society; any person could join the Chapter, even if not enrolled in a MIT course. Reasons for the MIT alumni to be interested in this arrangement include the support provided by the SDS and the opportunity to

create a more connected network for MIT alumni. Peter mentioned that other universities could be interested in such an arrangement as well strengthening the field. It was mentioned that Bob had further discussion points but he only joined the meeting at the end of the discussion and further action will be taken after his consultation.

Secretary, Lees Stuntz, shared the status of the nomination process and two candidates put forward. Before the member vote, the campaigning rules should be clarified. Discussion ensued on how to avoid “politicking”, with options including open FAQs and encouraging members to focus on candidate’s positive attributes, potentially using a “discussion” forum. Some participants expressed reservations about establishing any rules at all.

Lees moved to approve that

“System Dynamics Society resources shall not be used for campaigning.

The Society suggests that members engage in positive comments about candidates and do not engage in negative comments about candidates.” Sara seconded. Motion passed.

Lees moved to approve that “Candidates shall not engage in campaigning, e.g. proactively reaching out to members in advocacy of their candidacy or opposition to another; other than responding to direct inquiries by members.” Seconded by Shayne. Motion failed.

Lees moved to approve that “Candidates shall not engage in any campaign activities beyond personal outreach and answering questions.” Seconded by Bob. Motion passed.

Brad asked who would like to adjourn the meeting. Shayne moved. Lees seconded. Motion passed.