

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

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Attendees

Voting: Allyson Beall King, John Pastor Ansah, Peter Hovmand, Lees Stuntz, Bob Eberlein, Timothy Calncy, Diana Fisher, Hyunjung Kim, Juan Pablo Torres

Non-voting: Raquel Buzogany, Rebecca Niles

Agenda

0:05 Welcome and Agenda (Allyson)

0:05 Motions (Allyson)

0:20 MIT, French Chapters (Peter)

0:10 Dashboard and Exec Director Report (Rebecca)

0:15 Conference Report (John)

0:15 ISDC2024 Policy Council Meeting Agenda (Allyson)

Adjournment

Minutes

President, Allyson Beall King, brought the meeting to order, and introduced the agenda. She highlighted that the Finance Committee is in search of a new member and the Student Chapter is successfully being revived.

Secretary, Lees Stuntz, moved to approve the May 2024 Policy Council Meeting Minutes. Diana seconded. Motion passed.

President, Allyson, moved to approve Willem Auping, TU Delft, to the position of Policy Council Member at Large for the remainder of the 2023 - 2025 term. Bob seconded. Motion passed.

VP Chapters and SIGs, Peter Hovmand, proposed a change in the chapter approval procedure maintaining a letter for now, and continuing with a longer term effort of defining relationship with Chapters in monthly meetings of a newly formed Chapter Working Group. He listed unaddressed recommendations by the attorney that will be considered by the working group. Discussion ensued about the potential MIT and US membership and event overlaps.

Peter moved to approve the formation of the French Chapter, subject to signing of the proposed Letter Agreement. Lees seconded. Motion passed.

Peter moved to approve the formation of the MIT Chapter, subject to signing of the proposed Letter Agreement. Lees seconded. Motion passed.

Executive Director, Rebecca Niles, presented the budget vs actuals for YTD 2024. She emphasized the Society's current strong position while expressing caution, noting that it remains uncertain whether this

year's success, potentially influenced by the conference in Bergen, is an outlier or indicative of a new normal.

VP Meetings, John Pastor Ansah, shared that conference submissions, registrations, and sponsorship numbers are strong. He mentioned the challenge of encouraging students to continue attending the conference after completing their studies. Discussion revolved around the causes for larger numbers this year, the use of AI, messaging, and site capacities.

President, Allyson, presented ideas on policy council topics for the conference agenda. She asked participants about their view on what should be discussed, there were no suggestions. Allyson asked Rebecca to introduce the collective strategic planning steps as the proposed main agenda topic. Tim found the proposal fine and highlighted implementation might be challenging. Bob suggested an alternative strategy with PC members sharing their individual visions and trying to go from there. John asked if there is clarity on areas we are doing well and others we are not and use this as a starting point. Further conversation steered in the direction of focusing on specific topics instead of using the presented matrix.

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