

Association of Business Information Systems

Annual Business Meeting

Thursday, March, 10, 2016 -

1. Call to Order by ABIS President Jim Larsgaard
2. Officer Reports:
 - a. VP/Program Chair Skip Ward reported that there are 29 papers accepted for presentations (compared to 16 last year), and there are 38 ABIS registrants for the conference. In addition, ABIS will have 9 sessions with a total of 63 Authors. Skip reported that he analyzed a changing trend in topics presented; this year's focused on Innovation, Focus on Students, and Social Media.
 - b. Secretary Sherry Rodrigue presented the minutes of the March 2015 Business meeting; noting a typo on item 3B, the date should be 2017. Skip motioned to approve the minutes, Carla seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
 - c. Treasurer Carla Barber presented the final budget of 2015, showing an account balance of \$5,564.28. 2015 FDB registration was \$1810, with food and beverage cost of \$1567.14. Skip motioned to accept the 2015 budget as presented, Marcel seconded, vote taken, motion passed.

Carla also presented and discussed the projected new 2016 budget items, including the \$259.35 Web Domain Renewal and \$100 for Logo contest winner. Considering we are looking at a littler larger registration, 2016 budget should show increase.

- d. Proceedings Editor Lori Soule reported that 11 papers accepted for the 2016 proceedings, while there were 9 papers accepted for the 2015 proceedings. Discussion took place for the incoming proceeding editor to consider to request the papers in a simple one column format, it may make it easier to reformat into proceedings.
- e. Journal Editor Marcel Robles reported that there were 9 articles submitted, and current 6 were accepted for publication in the Journal of Research in Business Information systems (JRBIS), 1 was still being reviewed.

Discussion took place regarding journal's acceptance rate; if 6 of 9 accepted – 67%, if 7 of 9 accepted – 78%; Cabells currently at 75%. Robert Mitchell spoke about recent AACSB accreditation and max 30% acceptance being allowed. Ann Wilson discussed that FBD Journal is currently not in Cabells. Discussion continued in term of presenting then revising paper for journal consideration, number of revisions to possibly count as a rejection in acceptance rate, etc. Discussion was tabled until next year's meeting. Jim asked Marcel to look into Cabells policies on acceptance / rejection.

- f. The Historian/Parliamentarian report was given my Marsha Bayless. Marsha presented the updated ABIS Historical Perspective Project of all past association presidents. This year she was able to obtain interviews with Daniel Friesen and Beverly Oswald.

Marsha also brought to the officer's attention that 2018 would be the organization's 40th anniversary.

3. The FBD Report was presented by Skip Ward. Skip relayed that there are 599 registrants for the FBD Conference. ABIS has 34 full and 7 students members registered; with 29 presentations and 2 posters
 - a. The 2017 conference will be held at the Marriott Little Rock and Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock, Arkansas
 - b. The 2018 conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency and Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque New Mexico
 - c. 2019 is scheduled for Houston
4. Old Business – there was no old business to report.
5. New Business
 - a. Logo Contest –31 logos submitted by 5 members; the Board narrowed the selection from 31 – to 3 and the top 3 were displayed for the entire membership to view. A general vote was conducted by a show of hands. The winning logo was



The winner, Skip Ward was present with \$100.

- b. Journal Citations – Robert Mitchell spoke on journal citations (?? I need help on this one)
6. Selection of 2016-2017 ABIS Officers
 - a. Jim presented the traditional advancement in the slate of officers including:
Secretary to VP/ VP/Program Chair – Sherry Rodrigue
VP/Program Chair to President -Skip Ward
Marcel motioned to accept the 2016-2017 officer advancement, Robert seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
 - b. Jim stated that the current Treasurer and Historian/Parliamentarian have agreed to continue in these positions, this includes:
Treasurer - Carla Barber
Historian/Parliamentarian - Marsha Bayless
Robert motioned to approve the current positions, Marcel seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
Discussion took place as to include Webmaster to Carla's title.

- c. Jim opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Jim stated that the Board has asked Degan Kettles to consider the nomination and he accepted. No other nominations were made.
Marcel motioned to close nominations, Marsha seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
Marcel motioned to elect Degan as Secretary, Marsha seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
 - d. Jim opened the floor for nominations for Journal Editor. Jim stated that the Board has asked Lori Soule to consider the nomination and she accepted. No other nominations were made.
Sherry motioned to close nominations, Carla seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
Marcel motioned to elect Lori as Journal Editor, Ann seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
 - e. Jim opened the floor for nominations for Proceedings Editor. Jim stated that the Board has asked Clive Muir to consider the nomination and he accepted. No other nominations were made.
Marcel motioned to close nominations, Carla seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
Carla motioned to elect Clive as Proceedings Editor, Sherry seconded, vote taken, motion passed.
 - f. The ABIS 2016-2017 officers are:
 - President – Skip Ward
 - VP/Program Chair – Sherry Rodrigue
 - Secretary – Degan Kettles
 - Journal Editor – Lori Soule
 - Proceedings Editor – Clive Muir
 - Treasurer – Carla Barber
 - Historian/Parliamentarian – Marsha Bayless
 - g. Incoming President Skip Ward presents Past President Jim Larsgaard with a Retiring President's gavel.
 - h. The recipient of the ABIS 2016 McGraw-Hill Education Distinguished Paper Award were acknowledged.
 - Robert B. Mitchell, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
 - Ravi Thambusamy, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
7. Further business - there was no further business to discuss
8. Move to adjourn - Skip motioned to adjourn, Carla seconded. The board meeting was adjourned by general agreement of the attendees.