

Association of Business Information Systems

Executive Board Meeting
Wednesday, March, 09, 2016
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

2015-2016 Executive Board

President	Jim Larsgaard
VP/Program Chair	James (Skip) Ward
Secretary	Sherry Rodrigue
Treasurer	Carla Barber
Past President	Joselina Cheng
Journal Editor	Marcel Robles
Proceedings Editor	Lori Soule
Historian/Parliamentarian	Marsha Bayless (Ex-Officio)

Board members present:

Jim Larsgaard, James (Skip) Ward, Sherry Rodrigue, Carla Barber, Marsha Bayless, Marcel Robles, Lori Soule

Not present at this meeting:

Joselina Cheng

Call to Order of the 2016 meeting of the ABIS Executive Board; 9:48 PM

Officer Reports:

VP/Program Chair Report (Skip Ward)

The VP/Program Chair report was given by Skip Ward. He related that **29** papers were submitted, and all were accepted. 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.

There are currently 34 full and 7 students registered for ABIS, and there were 28 registered at the end of last year's (2015) conference. Last year there were 561 registered for the FBD conference.

Secretary Report (Sherry Rodrigue)

Minutes from our 2015 Executive Board meeting were presented by Sherry Rodrigue. Discussion took place with procedures to handle accepted presenters that do not show to present; Jim plans to email presenter and CC their Dean.

Discussion also took place on the Social Media initiatives ABIS implemented this past year (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook) and how we can improve that outreach.

Treasurer Report (Carla Barber)

Carla Barber gave the treasurer's report. Carla reported that the ABIS bank account had a 2015 ending balance of \$5,564.28.

Carla also presented and discussed the projected 2016 budget. Items new to the 2016 budget will include \$259.35 Web Domain Renewal and \$100 for Logo contest winner. Discussion took place regarding the challenge of the bank account in Weatherford OK. Jim will look into resolving this situation; possible involving an accountant and re-setting up the organization with a proper EIN number.

Proceedings Editor Report (Lori Soule)

Lori Soule reported there are **11** articles in our 2016 proceedings, compared to 10 in 2015. All of the 2016 proceeding are online.

Discussion took place in regards to marking/updated the online proceedings to reflect no-shows.

JRBIS Journal Editor Report (Marcel Robles)

Marcel Robles reported that in 2015 **9** manuscripts were submitted. Currently, 6 were accepted with a 7th under review.

Discussion took place on the acceptance rate for our journal.

Historian/Parliamentarian Repot (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.

Nominations for ABIS Office

For 2016, ABIS will need to elect multiple positions. Traditionally the current Secretary moves to VP/Program chair, and the current VP/Program Chair moves into the position of President. Skip and Sherry indicated they would be willing to accept the new position.

The current Treasurer (Carla) and the current Historian/Parliamentarian (Marsha) agree to hold the respective offices for the coming year.

Secretary: Jim e-mailed Degan Kettles on 03/07/2016 and asked him if he would accept the nomination. Degan accepted the nomination.

JRBIS Editor: Marcel Robles has submitted her resignation for her position as JRBIS Editor, and Lori Soule has agreed to accept the nomination for JRBIS Editor.

Proceedings Editor: Clive Muir has agreed to accept the nomination.

The floor will be open for other nominations at the annual Business meeting the following morning and votes will take place once nominations are closed.

FBD Report

Jim and Skip reported on what was communicated at the 2016 FBD Board Meeting that afternoon. There are currently 599 registrations with 180 sessions. They are satisfied that the Hotel/room and Food and Beverage commitments are met.

Old Business

There was no old business to report.

New Business

The officers reviewed all 31 logos that were submitted to the contest. Submitters' names were not disclosed. After an open vote, the top 3 logos were decided upon and agreed to be presented at tomorrow's business meeting.

The vote will be taken by a show of hands, and the winner will win \$100.

Adjourn: 11:09 PM