

OC ACM Executive Committee – online via Zoom

November 24, 2021 Meeting Agenda

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- Review and approve prior meeting minutes
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Meeting Attendees

- *Michael Fahy*
- *Allen Takatsuka*
- *Dan Whelan*
- ~~*Marc Velasco*~~
- *Nilo Niccolai*
- *Winsor Brown*
- ~~*Hassan Ahmed*~~
- ~~*Ansel Teng*~~
- ~~*Don Choi*~~
- ~~*Trae Palmer*~~
- ~~*Raman Rajan*~~
- ~~*Don Black*~~
- ~~*Shirley Tseng*~~
- ~~*Cynthia Kirkeby*~~
- *Tom Phillips*
- *Farhad Mafie*
- *Jared Miller*
- ~~*Kenneth Aguilar*~~
- ~~*Jeffrey Guerra*~~
- ~~*Dawn Childs*~~
- ~~*Gabriela Pinto*~~

Motions

Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Status
Approve October 27, 2021 Executive Committee minutes	Michael Fahy	Dan Whelan	Approved

Officers

Position	Volunteer
Chair	Allen Takatsuka
Vice-Chair	Marc Velasco
Treasurer	Nilo Niccolai, Ph.D
Secretary	Daniel Whelan, Ph.D.
Communications	Farhad Mafie
Webmaster	Tom Phillips
SIGAI-OC Liaison	Ansel Teng. Ph.D.
Membership Chair	Hassan Ahmed, Ph.D.

Officers (cont'd)

Position	Volunteer
University Liaison	Michael Fahy, Ph.D.
Program Speaker Coordinators	Raman Rajan, Farhad Mafie
Program Video Coordinator	Trae Palmer
Social Media Committee	Kenneth Aguilar, Don Choi, Jeffrey Guerra, Cynthia Kirkeby, Trae Palmer, Gabriela Pinto
Membership Committee	Dawn Childs
Fundraising Coordinator	Jared Miller
Members at Large	A. Winsor Brown, Shirley Tseng, Don V. Black

Program Meetings

Date	Speaker	Talk
11/17/2021	Nader Bagherzadeh, Ph.D.	Machine Learning Computer Architecture Enhancements
9/15/2021	Dr. Rand Waltzman	Automated Influence (AI?) - What Could Go Wrong?
7/21/2021	Steven J. Steinberg, Ph.D., MPA, GISP	GIS, Location Data, Imagery and Machine Learning: Applications and Opportunities using Geospatial Information in Local Government
5/19/2021	Anandi Hira and Jim Alstad	Causal Analysis and Software and Systems Engineering
4/17/2021	Dr. Arvind Sathi and Neena Sathi	Data Science in Action using Python (Hands-On Workshop)
3/17/2021	Steve Kerler & Brad Kelso	Why Your Privacy Matters! +Annual Business Meeting and Elections
1/20/2021	Lola Awoniyi-Oteri, PhD	The 5G Revolution
11/18/2020	Michael Carey, PhD	Big Data Analytics with Apache AsterixDB

November 17, 2021 Program Event

Professor Nader Bagherzadeh, Machine Learning Computer Architecture Enhancements

Registration Channel	Attendees	"No Shows"	Total Response
ACM National Email Blast	12	30	42
Chapter Distribution List	10	20	30
Chapter Website	9	2	11
IEEE	5	2	7
LinkedIn		3	3
Meetup	22	11	33
OC-SIGAI	8	3	11
Personal Email	14	4	18
(blank)	1		1
Grand Total	81	75	156

Professional Affiliations*	
ACM (all)	21
Other ACM Chapters or Special Interest Groups (SIGs)	15
Los Angeles ACM Chapter	4
Student ACM Chapter (any)	4
IEEE (all)	25
IEEE Student Branch (any)	2

*Based on voluntary and timely response to runtime polling

Requests to be registered with ACM (users listed here)	8
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Retrospective - Nov 17 Program Event

Should/Can we improve webinar logistics with speakers?

We had a bit of a mix up getting our speaker into the 6:30 PM webinar practice session. We need to make sure that we have cell phone numbers for the speakers prior to the meeting dates.

Michael Fahy agreed to help out running future webinars. Dan will contact Michael and walk him through the Zoom logistics.

Nilo suggested that we provide our speakers with a more formal thank you for speaking at our events. Allen will follow up with a thank you to Prof. Bagherzadeh and offer to mail him an OC ACM certificate.

January 19, 2022

Dimensions of Change: Measurements for a Metaverse

Peter Coffee, VP for Strategic Research at Salesforce

Approaching its 30th birthday, the notion of a "metaverse" is getting new attention as an arena of new technologies, business models, and behaviors. Peter Coffee joins us for a new examination of potential innovations, present trends, and lessons worth remembering from past attempts to achieve similar goals.



Please join us for our January meeting by registering at our website:
<http://oc.acm.org>

Program Planning

March 16, 2022

- Bill Dally has offered to speak on ML.

Bill has confirmed his availability and willingness to speak at our March meeting and will fly down if the meeting is in person.

Michael Fahy asked Dan to see if Bill would be willing to speak to students at Chapman University. A similar interest exists at UCI. Dan will make the request of Bill.

Future Program Event Candidates (UCI)

Machine Learning

- Stephan Mandt (anomaly detection without supervised learning)
- Roy Fox (reinforcement learning, robotics)
- Jing Zhang (ML applied to bioinformatics)
- Alex Berg (computational visual recognition, starts @UCI Spring 2022)

System

- Faisal Nawab (global scale data management)
- Sang-Woo Jun (acceleration)
- Sangeetha Jyothi (Data center networking)
- Moshen Imani (bio-inspired computing)

Theory

- Vijay Vazirani (involved with the design of early Google Ad Placement Alg.)

Informatics

- Vladimir Minin (Data analysis wrt infectious diseases)
- Stacy Branham (human-centered computing)

Future Program Event Candidates

Potential Speakers - In no prioritized or feasibility order

- Caltech Professor Yisong Yue, ML [Dan]
- Andrew Kirkland, CISO at Starbucks
- Beth Harnick-Shapiro [Marc]
- Bill Lobig VP IBM Software Development - Analytics [Marc]
- Christophe Begue, IBM - Blockchain (Mike Marin will research if he is indeed at IBM)
- John Koon, Tech Idea Research - Autonomous Cars
- Bill Cleveland – Data Visualization (M. Fahy has reached out to him)
- Alanna Gombert, Global CRO at MetaX – Blockchain
- Sushant Rao - Operational Analytic Data Stores (M. Fahy has reached out to him)
- Paul Anderson, Anderson Software Group – Go language
- Alyssa Columbus, Data Scientist at Pacific Life - Robust and Reproducible Predictive Modeling Workflows
- Dianne Cook, Prof. of Business Analytics, Monash University – Data Visualization

Topics

- Interest in potentially having a future talk focused on Privacy By Design and related best practices identified in March meeting

We need to line up speakers for our May 2022 and later meetings.

Treasurer's Report EOM Oct 2021

Beginning Balance of:	\$8,119.44 <small>(9/30/21)</small>	EOM Statement
Deposits:		
Cash		
Expenses:	\$106.00 <small>(10/12/21)</small>	PO Box Rental fee Check 3004
Current Balance	\$8,013.44 <small>(10/31/21)</small>	
Restricted funds:	\$2,964.20 <small>(10/31/21)</small>	IBM Grant restricted use funds.
Unrestricted Balance:	\$5,049.24 <small>(10/31/21)</small>	

Reports / Updates

Secretary - Dan

Comms - Farhad

Webmaster - Tom

SIGAI liaison - Ansel

Membership Chair - Hassan

University Liason - Michael

Video - Trae

Social Media - Kenneth, Don, Jeffrey, Cynthia, Trae, Gabriela

Membership Committee - Dawn

Fundraising - Jared

Career Mentoring Initiative - Don

Industry Advisory Board Initiative - Marc

Regarding ACM Local initiative and transfer of our Meetup to the ACM account, Allen is awaiting an update from Andrew Conklin. Dan offered to try to contact Don Black if that would be helpful. Michael will try to share past correspondence with Meetup regarding transferring ownership.

We had a fair bit of discussion about fundraising. The net of which is that Jared was asked to share the current sponsorship document with committee members for review, and for discussion at the January excomm meeting regarding proposed changes, etc.

Other/New Business

Registration with [Benevity](#)

Meetup ownership change update

Hybrid program event status

Future topic:

- In-person social events post-covid

Agreement that Allen and Nilo should set up our chapter to be able to receive funds from Benevity.

Allen also agreed to look into AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) and getting us registered with them if appropriate.

Once we are registered for these programs, we should promote those giving opportunities to our members via emails and announcements at our meetings.

Elections will take place at our March 2022 meeting. We should seek nominations from our members a month prior to that meeting, e.g. on or about February 16th. We had good response last year and hopefully will again this year.

There will not be a committee meeting in December.