

OC ACM Executive Committee – online via Zoom  
November 23, 2022 Meeting Agenda

<https://acm-org.zoom.us/j/98337251728?pwd=V1IMMWJOMGIHSFRMbVAwYTgrbnhWUT09>

- Review and approve prior meeting minutes
- Officers and Volunteers
- Treasurer's Report
- Treasurer Position
- Program Meetings
- Committee Reports / Updates
- New/Other Business

# Meeting Attendees

- *Michael Fahy*
- *Allen Takatsuka*
- *Dan Whelan*
- *Marc Velasco*
- ~~*Nilo Niccolai*~~
- ~~*Winsor Brown*~~
- ~~*Hassan Shah*~~
- ~~*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 Executive Committee minutes	Michael Fahy	Dan Whelan	Approved

# Officers

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

# 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	Don Choi, Cynthia Kirkeby, Trae Palmer
Membership Committee	Dawn Childs
Fundraising Coordinator	Jared Miller
Members at Large	A. Winsor Brown, Shirley Tseng, Nilo Niccolai, Ph.D

# Treasurer's Report EOM October 2022

Beginning Balance	\$8,104.54	9/30/22
Deposits	\$0.00	
Cash	\$0.00	
Expenses	\$0.00	
Current Balance	\$8,104.54	10/31/22
Restricted Funds	\$2,964.20	IBM Grant
Unrestricted Balance	\$5,140.34	10/31/22

Michael reported on a minor snafu with the USPS regarding our PO Box renewal

# Program Meetings

Date	Speaker	Talk
01/18/2023	Mara Matarić	Robots that care, Socially Assistive Robots (TBD)
11/16/2022	Dr. Kuansan Wang	A roadmap for regulating AI systems
9/21/2022	Dr. Alex Kurz- Chapman University	Smart Contracts
7/20/2022	Ilke Demir, Ph.D. Senior Staff Research Scientist at Intel Corporation	Embattling for a Deep Fake Dystopia
5/18/2022	Cynthia Kirkeby	NFTs - Fad or Leading Trend?
3/16/2022	William J. Dally, Ph.D. Chief Scientist & Sr VP Research, NVIDIA Corp	Deep Learning Hardware: Past, Present, and Future
1/19/2022	Peter Coffee, VP for Strategic Research at Salesforce	Dimensions of Change: Measurements for a Metaverse
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?

# November Program Recap

## Audio issues

- Currently presenter is mic'd and video from camcorder and mic feed into the AV mixing device which we split off via to a laptop for zoom broadcast.
- The USB Splitter (proper term) does not work with any laptop that doesn't have native USB (we think?), all we know is it worked with Dan's laptop in the past.
- 1<sup>st</sup> floor, has No live ethernet port
- Very poor wifi (if using knobguest), we almost couldn't do zoom at all
- No speaker zoom client unless speaker brings their own or we supply – were investigating as an option while getting setup
- Did not want to risk switching laptops or have a way to present chair's slides before speaker (display took 1 min to refresh after connecting to a laptop)
- Did not have time for a dry run do to initial setup and wifi issues

## Options going forward?

- Hybrid or in-person?
- If we continue hybrid
  - Find zoom compatible hardware with the above splitter among whoever is attending
  - Supply a "speaker" laptop that is compatible
  - Youtube livestream
  - Need to have commitment for X number of people in the room to support?
  - Other requirements?
- Which room do we want?
  - 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> floor?

## Attendance

Meetup 18  
Chapter Website 4  
IEEE 2  
Unknown 3

Lots of discussion about our purpose and whether hybrid is reducing participation. Decided to go to in-person only format for January meeting. Marc to contact Knobbe about the possibility of improving the Guest WiFi.



# January Program Planning

- Maja Matarić said January would work better for her
  - USC Robotics and Health – Robots that care, Socially Assistive Robots  
[https://speakers.acm.org/speakers/mataric%C2%B4%20\\_14588](https://speakers.acm.org/speakers/mataric%C2%B4%20_14588)
  - Requests honorarium to support travel expenses from Pasadena
  - Propose taking to dinner before the talk

Marc to find out what the honorarium cost would be and to share that info with committee members.

# 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)
- **Dr. Chang (AI and Medicine) - Shirley**

## 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
- **Dr. Anthony Chang of St. Joseph's/CHOC/AiM (Shirley / Cynthia)**

Topics

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

# Reports / Updates

Secretary - Dan

Comms - Allen

Webmaster –Tom

SIGAI liaison – Ansel

Membership Chair - Farhad

University Liaison – Michael

Video – Trae

Social Media - Don Choi, Cynthia Kirkeby, Trae Palmer

Membership Committee - Dawn

Fundraising - Jared - Review sponsorship document

Career Mentoring Initiative - Don

Industry Advisory Board Initiative - Marc

Trae set up an OC ACM presence on a Mastadon served social network

# Other/New Business

Dan recapped discussions with Don Black regarding our Meetup Group transfer to the ACM.

Farhad suggested an Executive Committee in person get together. Marc will poll committee members for availability.