

OC ACM Executive Committee – online via Zoom
September 27, 2022 Meeting Agenda

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- 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 August Executive Committee minutes	Dan Whelan	Allen Takatsuka	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 August 2022

Beginning Balance	\$8,193.15	7/31/22
Deposits	\$0.00	
Cash	\$0.00	
Expenses	\$0.00	
Current Balance	\$8,193.15	8/30/22
Restricted Funds	\$2,964.20	IBM Grant
Unrestricted Balance	\$5,228.95	8/30/22

Program Meetings

Date	Speaker	Talk
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?
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

September Program Recap

- Clarification from National, only one email per event going forward, two weeks out recommended. Need clarification these are going out?
- We had 41-43 Zoom webinar attendees. It is not surprising that most used the URL on the event Meetup page to register for the webinar.
- We had five webinar participants ask to be registered with the ACM as members of our chapter.
- We had four webinar participants identify themselves as IEEE members and two as ACM members (one as an LA ACM Chapter member and the other as a student chapter member).
- 12 in-person attendees including
 - 7 - presenter/ACM officers & Knobbe
 - 5 Guests
- We encountered audio issues on the webcast during last week's program meeting.
 - Audio kept disconnecting during the presentation and had to manually be re-enabled by selecting the audio input repeatedly
 - Precise cause unknown, but may be due to the laptop used for Zoom session or having to run the input from the capture card into a USB-C hub with USB-A in
 - Will try to obtain a USB-B to USB-C cable to allow for hubless connection between capture card and USB-C-only laptops in the future
 - Audio issues were able to be corrected in published video using suggestion from Alan:
 - webinar recording's audio track was removed and replaced with audio from camcorder after syncing
- Encountered access issues with entering the 2040 building and reaching the second floor a few times due to the guards' shift change and am concerned that this might also affect potential attendees in the future. We should probably book the 1st floor conference room well in advance and always prefer it over the 2nd floor conference room whenever it's an option.

Count of Source Name Column Labels				
Row Labels	No	Yes	Grand Total	
Chapter Website		2	2	4
IEEE		9	4	13
LinkedIn		4	1	5
Meetup		8	31	39
OC-SIGAI		2	1	3
Personal Email			1	1
Twitter		1		1
Unknown			1	1
Grand Total		26	41	67

Agreed to promote via ACM National one time two weeks prior to the event. Also need to work with ACM to ensure that emails are actually being sent out since none of us have received one since March.

Lots of discussion about audio issues and testing laptop setup prior to the next meeting.

Also discussed the possibility of doing a YouTube or other social media livestream.

November Program Planning

- Clarify with Knobbe which room we'll have, preference for 1st floor if possible, if 2nd floor may need more logistics for letting people in
- Speaker Leads
 - Maja Matarić –USC Robotics and Health – Robots that care, Socially Assistive Robots
https://speakers.acm.org/speakers/mataric%C2%B4%20_14588
 - Other Leads?

Marc will follow-up with Amy to confirm that we have a conference room booked for our next meeting on November 16th and ideally for the 1st Floor Conference Room. He will also request to book that conference room for a test run a week or two prior to our next meeting.

Marc will contact Maja Mataric about speaking at our November meeting.

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

- Will continue to work on getting standalone video production hardware (Epiphan Pearl Mini) set up and hopefully ready by next program meeting
 - Requires a video input from source laptop, so will likely need to run an HDMI cable with pigtail splitter
 - Shouldn't be an issue, lengthwise, with either room and can safely run along wall, but may want to meet with Knobbe IT to measure best cable length to bring
 - Prefer not to use wireless HDMI
 - Has wired ethernet that I can bridge to wireless, but if either conference room has hot Ethernet drops, that'd be even better
 - Can livestream to our YouTube and Facebook Live channels
 - Will check on integrated Zoom streaming abilities, but worst case, HDMI out is available that can be used as a webcam-emulated input into a laptop for Zoom conferences with only a single source required.

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

Other/New Business

Marc will work on completing and submitting the ACM annual report this weekend.

Discussion about transitioning to the ACM National sponsored Meetup account. Dan will make another call to Don Black. We'll discuss actions at the next meeting if there is no progress.