

**Minutes of IFCA Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 12, 2013, 14:00 GMT.**  
**By Conference Call**

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**Present:** Ray Hirschfeld, Director, Treasurer, Chair  
Yvo Desmedt, Director  
Tyler Moore, Director, Vice President  
Burton Rosenberg, Director, Secretary  
Moti Yung, Director

**Minutes**

- Meeting called to order 10:09 EDT/14:09 GMT.
- Minutes of the last two meetings are accepted. Amended minutes of the April 1 meeting accepted.

**Review of Actions Items**

- Ray to draft a new copyright form. In progress.
- Ray to collect the current proposal for new governance for IFCA, and distribute to directors. In progress.
- Ray to update the registration code and make live on web site. Done.
- Ray to discuss with Springer the possibility of publishing FC papers with the IET Journal of Information Security. In progress.
- Ray to send Burt FC13 registration database. Done.
- Ray to talk to Everbank about sponsorship. Done and waiting a response.
- Ray to send Tyler the ONRG grant application. Done.
- Tyler to expand FC14 website. Tyler to add travel page, information about the activities as decided, perhaps rates and workshop information. In progress.
- Tyler to sign contract with Accra. In progress.
- Tyler to ask FC14 PC's to put FC14 on conference calendars. In progress.
- Tyler to apply for ONRG grant. In progress.
- Tyler to talk to Sven about an NSF student grant. Burt will pursue NSF student grant. Done.
- Burt to send Springer completed dispatch form. Done.
- *Action item:* Burt to send Springer dispatch for workshop volume.

- Moti to inform Sven and Ahmad they are co-chairs of the anniversary committee, to do in September. In progress.
- Moti to write a letter of acknowledgement to non-local sponsors of FC13. In progress.
- Moti to talk to Google about sponsorship. In progress.
- Yvo to talk to Sven, encouraging a WECSR workshop at FC14. Done.

### **Report of director activities of this period**

- Directors activities were reported; see appendix.

### **FC13 Okinawa**

- Ray got the draft final budget from Kazue. The bottom line looks same as his informal calculations as presented in the previous minutes, with a \$2,500 USD surplus, after subtracting membership dues.
- Conference proceedings are mailed, and have been received by at least Ray if not other IFCA members.
- Workshop volume nearly complete.

### **FC14 Barbados**

- Program committee will be finalized soon, with a new CFP distributed soon thereafter.
- The submission deadline for FC14 full papers has been extended to just after the rejection deadline for NDSS.
- Yvo proposes that FC get “in cooperation status” with IACR. The time for approval is said to be about a week. There is no administrative oversight other than not having a date conflict with IACR events. The benefit is mention on the IACR website. The board agrees to the proposition.
- *Action item:* Tyler to seek in cooperation status with IACR for FC14.
- Due to the submission deadline extension, the Program Committee’s deliberation time will be shortened to 6 weeks unless the notification date was pushed back a week. In discussion, the board rejects proposing an extension of the notification date.
- Tyler has compared the current Accra quote with that of 5 years ago. Most numbers are identical, however a \$1,700 USD room charge is present on the current quote which was waived 5 years ago. Ray will ask this charge be waived.
- Budgeting for 15 student fee registration waivers, an 10 student travel awards at \$750 USD each.

- Budget has a surplus, assuming NSF funding and one each of Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsorship.
- Registration pricing is proposed at \$850/\$650/\$450 conference only, and \$1150/\$850/\$550 conference and workshop. Pricing tiers are general/academic/student.
- After a discussion it was resolved to rename academic rate to academic/author rate, and that it be offered to industry participants who are authors.
- Tyler restates that we expect an academic rate be paid for each paper presented, but this requirement can be waived on request.
- *Action item:* Tyler to send draft budget to director's list for review.
- *Action item:* Tyler (or Ray) to sign contract with Accra by next director meeting.
- Tyler will add to the FC14 website the information already discussed during the review of action items.
- Tyler asks if someone can bring a projector to FC14. If not he proposes that IFCA purchase a projector. The rental price is \$1,500 USD. Tyler brought the projector for FC09.
- Burt has a promise from NSF for \$10,000 in student awards. He is to submit the proposal to the NSF on or after October 1st.
- Tyler to handle ONRG sponsorship.
- Ray is talking with Everbank, and Moti with Google, for sponsorship.
- Tyler will forward to Burt an Intel contact he met at WEIS. Moti also to give Burt names of people at Intel. MSR, Paypal and Square mentioned as possible sponsors.
- Marcus J. and Jon C. mentioned as providing possible advice on sponsors.
- Yvo to send Burt a possible contact at American Express.
- *Action item:* Burt to get Intel contact from Tyler, and from Moti; and American Express contact from Yvo.
- Publicity for FC14: FC14 will seek in cooperation with status with IACR, as resolved previously in this meeting; and PC chairs to publish on calendars, as noted in action items.
- It is important to have the local press interview the PC chair.
- There was a discussion of finding interest by a local university in Barbados, despite a previous attempt to find such interest.

#### **IFCA corporate/association business**

- Yvo to complete due diligence and then be installed as director.

- Ray moves to amend the IFCA membership guidelines to remove the words “and program committee members” in the article on special memberships. The effect of which is to no longer provide IFCA membership to program committee members who do not register for the conference.
- The reason for the amendment is the cost of proceedings. All members get proceedings. Typically membership is by conference attendance. With larger program committees and many members not attending the conference, the cost of proceedings becomes a problem.
- Moti leaves conference at 11:06.
- Ray calls consent among remaining directors and the motion carries.

### **New and concluding business**

- Next meeting Thursday, October 31, at 10:00 EDT/14:00 GMT.
- Yvo proposes a recognition award to promote the use of security measures by financial institutions.
- As a separate initiative, Yvo and Moti have proposed the creation of IFCA fellows. This award recognizes outstanding research or service for the advancement of Financial Cryptography.
- Yvo asks the board to move in haste towards the consideration of these two initiatives. Ray will place the items on the agenda for next meeting; and Yvo will have short written proposals at that time.
- Yvo will meet with IFCS about the special issue on financial cryptography, and asks whether the board has decided or not to move ahead with the special issue. As we have not yet discussed this with Springer (entirely out of deference to our relationship with Springer, not out of any copyright concern), Yvo will delay raising the topic until his next meeting with IFCS in six months.
- This topic will also be brought to the top of the agenda for the next IFCA board meeting.
- Yvo believes IFCA should “bring FC closer to bankers” by selecting as location a banking center, such as Honk Kong. Placed on a future agenda.
- The chair hearing no objection, the meeting is adjourned at 11:16 EDT/15:16 GMT.

## **Appendix: Agenda**

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- minutes of previous meeting(s)
- review of action items
- report of activities this period
- FC13 Okinawa
  - budget
  - proceedings
- FC14 Barbados
  - program committee and CFP
  - submissions
  - budget
  - website
  - contract
  - sponsorship and grants
  - publicity
- FC15 Puerto Rico
- FC16 20th anniversary
- FC long-term planning
- IFCA corporate/association business
  - directors due diligence
  - membership guidelines
  - IET special issue
  - award for deployment in financial institutions
  - fellows
  - foundation
- new and concluding business
  - next meeting date

## **Appendix: Activities of Directors**

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### **\* Tyler's Activities**

- worked with Ray in has role as GC of FC14
- FC14 budget
- FC14 website.

### **\* Ray's Activities:**

- renewed IFCA SSL certificate
- contacted Everbank about sponsorship and possible workshop
- marked up program committee list and updated online CFP
- drafted proposed amendment to the IFCA membership guidelines

- sent workshop acceptance notification
- checked FC13 conference proceedings order
- followed up with Springer to correct invoices for FC12 conference and workshop proceedings
- updated registration and payment code for FC14
- met with Hinde ten Berge to discuss Dutch foundation
- minor maintenance of IFCA website
- contract negotiations with FC14 hotel
- usual treasurer and chair duties

\* Burt's Activities:

- activities as sponsorship chair: SouthCom, NSF, various at RSA, Jon C. contacted.
- created and delivered dispatch list for conference volume to Springer.
- wrote up minutes
- normal duties of secretary

\* Moti's Activities:

- discussed IFCA business and provided guidance to Ray, Ahmad and Sven.

\* Yvo' Activities:

- normal duties of a director

## Appendix: Open Action Items

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**End of Minutes** \_\_\_\_\_