

MINUTES of the General Assembly Meeting of the Simulation Society of Scandinavia (SIMS)

Wednesday 8:20, October 31, 2007, Gothenburg, Sweden

Electoral registry of individual members present at the meeting.

Peter Fritzon	Linköping University, Sweden by phone
Erik Dahlquist	Mälardalen University, Sweden
Bernt Lie	Telemark University College Porsgrunn, Norway
Esko Juuso	University of Oulu, Finland
Jafar Mahmoudi	Mälardalen Univ, Sweden
Dag Fritzon	SKF
Peter Brunus	LiU
Dietmar Winkler	Technical univ Berlin
Tuomas Kataja	Tampere technical Univ
Adrian Pop	LiU

1. Election of a Chairman for the meeting.

Esko Juuso was unanimously elected chairperson.

2. Election of a Secretary for the annual meeting.

Erik Dahlquist was unanimously elected secretary.

3. Confirming the agenda.

The participant unanimously approved the agenda.

4. Ratifying whether the meeting has been announced properly

The participants unanimously approved that the meeting has been announced properly

5. Election of two members to approve and sign the minutes together with the Chairman.

Bernt Lie and Jafar Mahmoudi were unanimously elected to check and sign the correctness of the minutes of the general meeting together with the chairperson.

6. Decision on the quorum of the meeting.

The participants unanimously approved the quorum of the meeting

7. Establishment of the register of voters.

See above the list of participants.

8. Presentation of the Board's report for the previous working year.

- Board meeting by phone conference, Oct 17, 2007. Main topic – arranging the next SIMS conference.
- Board meeting in Gothenburg, Oct 30, 2007.

- The report from Norwegian Simulation society was given by Bernt Lie. NFA annual meeting in the autumn 2007. IEA modelling and simulation on residential co-generation Oct 24-25 in Oslo.
- A DKSIM report has been given by Brian Elmegaard via email. Three meetings have been held in the board of DKSIM. The main objective has been to decide the future of the Danish association. We have decided to change it to a more informal group without any formal membership and fees. We expect to continue activities, as there is a great interest in simulation and modelling, but it will require that groups form to arrange a given meeting, as nobody really can find the time for doing the required work for organizing DKSIM. This means that DKSIM will no longer have formal organization. Efforts are now made, with the help of Erik Dahlquist, to find interested Danish organizers. Preliminary Tommy Möllback at Dong Energy will take the task to arrange the SIMS 2008 with the focus on Energy applications. He will come back within a few weeks after discussions with his colleagues.
- A FinSim report was given by Esko Juuso. Esko Juuso with FinSim and the Finnish Society of Automation (FSA) successfully organized SIMS'2006 in Helsinki Sept 27-29, 2006. 45 contributed papers, 6 vendor presentations, 4 tutorials. An exhibition with 6 companies. 74 participants attended the conference. The Finnish Automation Society organized a successful new Automation 07 Seminar in Helsinki March 27-28 and was involved with the Automaatio 07 fair in Helsinki Sept 4-6, 2007. This fair is the number one Automation Event in Baltic Sea region with almost 20.000 visitors. FinSim members had various contributions in these events and FinSim was involved as a division of FSA. FinSim has more than 200 members.
- The report from the Swedish simulation society was given by Peter Fritzson and Erik Dahlquist. Erik: Green Energy conference in Västerås, June 17-20 2007. New Trends in Automation June 17-18, 2007, as part of this. Some 200 participants. Peter: A workshop on model-based product development was organized at Linköping University in february 2007, approx 50 participants. The 2007 SIMS conference was organized by Dag Fritzson, Peter Bunus, Claus Führer, in Gothenburg, Sweden, Oct 30-31. 36 papers submitted, 28 papers accepted. Tutorials: 2, Invited speakers 4. Attendees 41.
- No report from the Icelandic simulation society.

9. Report concerning the financial situation of SIMS.

The financial report was presented. Financial situation is mostly explained in Auditors report. It also shows the number of reported national society members. The previous, current and expected balance is close to 10000 Eur(85 761 SEK). Meeting proposes to use some SIMS money for best paper awards or similar during SIMS conferences.

10. Presentation of the Report of the Auditors and decision to discharge the Board from liability for the previous working year.

The Reports of the Auditors were distributed previously to the participants.

The participants unanimously decided to discharge the previous Board from liability for the previous working year (July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007).

11. Decision on the membership fees for the following working year.

The membership fees are kept the same as previous year.(12 Euro).

12. Election of a Chairman if the term of office of the current chairman has expired or if the chairman has resigned.

Fritzson was elected as chairman 2006-2007, at the 2006 SIMS annual meeting. He will resign as chairman at the SIMS annual meeting Oct 31, if there is another candidate for chairman, otherwise stay as chairman until sept/Oct 2008. The board meeting accepted the resignation by Peter and unanimously elected Esko Juuso to chairman. It also was decided that a re-election of chairman should be done within a few years this time.

13. Election of a new board members instead of those whose terms of office have expired or who have resigned

See below. Four members were re-elected for 2006-2007. Four members have terms that have not yet expired. No Icelandic member has yet been nominated.

Bernt Lie (NO), Elected 2006-2007.

Kim Sørensen (DK) Elected 2006-2007

Kaj Juslin (FI) Elected 2006-2007

Erik Dahlquist (SE) Elected 2006-2007

Fritzson(SE), (Board memb) Elected 2005, including 2006., position up for re-election.

Jørn Amundsen (NO) Elected 2005, including 2006, position up for re-election.

Brian Elmegaard (DK) Elected 2005, including 2006, position up for re-election.

Esko Juuso (FI) Elected 2005, including 2006, position up for re-election.

The board meeting re-elected the previous members for another two years. Kim Sørensen had announced that he wanted to resign and Tommy Mølbaek was elected to replace him for one year.

14. Election of Auditors for the coming working year instead of those whose terms of office have expired or who have resigned.

Anders Sandholm was previously elected as auditor 2006.

Peter Bunus was elected now as auditor aside of Anders.

15. Election of the Nomination committee for the coming working year instead of those whose terms of office have expired or who have resigned.

Niels Houbak (DK), Tommi Karhela (FI), Peter Bunus (SE) were elected 2004 and stay in that position. Anne Elster was elected 2005.

Decision: the current committee stays.

16. Change of Bylaws.

No change.

17. Next annual meeting.

The next annual meeting will be held in Denmark preliminary together with the next SIMS conference. The arrangement committee is allowed to set the date, but preferably in September. If we can not perform the next meeting in Denmark Norway is prepared to take it already 2008.

18. Any other business.

No other business.

19. Closing of the annual meeting.

The Chairperson closed the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting are correctly recorded:

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(Esko Juuso, the Chairperson of the meeting)

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(Erik Dahlquist, the Secretary of the meeting)

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(Bernt Lie, for approval of the minutes of the meeting)

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(Jafar Mahmoudi, for approval of the minutes of the meeting)