

## **Agenda for SACLA2007: Annual general meeting**

Date: 3 July 2007

Time: 14:00

Venue: Gwayi conference room, Elephant Hills Hotel, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

### **Present:**

Chairman SACLA2007 : Dr S.B. Mangena,

Conference delegates: I Brown, V Midze, S von Solms, R von Solms, J Greyling, V Pieterse, L Goosen, W Nel, J van Biljon,, representatives from NUST, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Zambia (names to be supplied by Dr Mangena).

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Publication of journal papers – V Midzi

Final Report On SACLA2006 – I Brown

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Any other business

### **Minutes:**

Publication of journal papers – V Midzi

Upon a discussion of the publication of the SACLA2007 papers, Dr Mangena undertakes to investigate the publishing of the papers in a journal with an ISBN number and communicating the possibilities to the delegates. Dr L Goosen offers help in editing the proposed journal issue.

### **Final Report on SACLA2006 – I Brown**

Prof I Brown (on behalf of the SACLA2006 Chairman) gives a final statement on the finances of SACLA2006. Apart from the R15000 seed money which was paid over to the organisers of SACLA 2007, there was a surplus of R3000 left in the SACLA2006 account and that has been transferred to an UCT account. A proposal is accepted that the incoming executive (Chairman of SACLA2008) will take over this surplus, the finances and sponsorships for 2008.

### **Next Host**

The University of South Africa (UNISA) offers to host SACLA2008. There is no counter offer. UNISA's representative Dr J van Biljon proposes that UNISA will select a committee of which the chairman will also be the chairman of SACLA2008. This committee as well as the venue for SACLA 2008 will then be communicated to all SACLA members as soon as possible. The proposal is unanimously accepted and confirmed by Dr Mangena. Prof R von Solms enquires about the tradition that an offer is made for hosting the conference two years in advance (2009). No offer is made and it is suggested that a host for 2009 should be cultivated in order to be ready to accept in 2008.

### **Any other business:**

Prof B von Solms warns about the danger of diverting from the original aim of SACLA, stating that SACLA'S aim is addressing teaching and learning issues while that of SAICSIT is research. Prof J Geyling advocates the use of the SAICSIT masters and doctoral symposium for developing researchers looking for a less threatening environment.

Dr Mangena states that no papers were rejected for SACLA2007 and advocates this open approach since this is the only opportunity for lecturers from non-South African universities to interact with other computer science

lecturers. While noting the request for openness, the stringency of review is left to UNISA as the next host.

The Deputy Vice chancellor of NUST, Prof L.R. Ndlovu gives a vote of thanks to Dr Mangena as Chairman of SACLA2007, the conference secretariat, Microsoft SA for funding and all the conference delegates.

On behalf of the conference delegates Mr U Averweg conveys sincere thanks to Dr Mangena and the organising committee from NUST for the conference and the fine spirit in which the organisation was done.

The AGM for SACLA2007 is closed.

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Prof JA van Biljon (UNISA)

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Dr SB Mangena (NUST)