

Minutes Board Meeting of the Simulation Society of Scandinavia (SIMS)

Thursday October 13, 2005, Copenhagen, Denmark

Present at the meeting (* - board member):

Peter Fritzon*	Linköping University, Sweden
Erik Dahlquist*	Mälardalen University, Sweden
Esko Juuso*	University of Oulu, Finland
Kaj Jusling*	- <i>not present</i>
Kim Sørensen*	- <i>not present</i>
Bernt Lie*	Telemark University College Porsgrunn, Norway
Anne Elster*	Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim
Jørn Amundsen	Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, PC Chair 2005
Brian Elmegaard*	Technical University of Denmark

1. Opening of the meeting

The chairman Peter Fritzon opened the meeting.

2. Approval of the quorum and announcement of the Board meeting

The participants unanimously approved the quorum of the meeting and that the meeting has been announced properly.

3. Approval of the agenda

The Board members unanimously approved the agenda. The Board members unanimously approved that non-members of the board may adjoin the meeting.

4. Approval of the minutes from the previous Board meeting

The Board members unanimously approved the board meeting minutes from September 24, 2004.

5. Election of a member for approval of the minutes of the Board meeting

Anne Elster was unanimously elected to check and sign the correctness of the minutes of the board meeting together with the chairperson.

6. Report from each national organization members Norway, Denmark, Finland and Sweden

- The report from Norwegian Simulation society was given by Bernt Lie, Anne Elster and Jørn Amundsen. Successful organization of SIMS'2005 in Trondheim, approx. 65 participants, 40 papers + 4 keynote talks. NFA (the Norwegian SIMS organization) has some meetings/courses every year.
- A DKSIM report was given by Brian Elmegaard. One meeting: Aspects of simulation at the DKSIM annual meeting, April, approx. 25 attendees. A Danish simulation day is planned in Aalborg Nov. 16 on the simulation of fuel cells. A new DKSIM web page is operational, with guest book, discussion forum, etc.

- A FinSim report was given by Esko Juuso. A seminar on the benefits of simulation in process industry was organized jointly with other meetings in April on the Ferry between Helsinki and Stockholm, approx. 20 people. The second meeting was on power plants on the same ferry. Automation'2005 organized by the Finnish Automation Society in Helsinki in Sept. 2005, approx 250 participants for the whole conference. FinSim contributed to this event, e.g. special sessions on simulation.
- The report from Swedish simulation society was given by Peter Fritzson and Erik Dahlquist. Erik: Organized a conference/workshop "New trends in automation", June 20, keynote speakers, 45 attendees, Frank Doyle invited from U. Santa Barbara. Peter F: Organized two conferences with reviewed paper submission: the 4th International Conference on Modeling and Simulation in Biology, Medicine, and Biomedical Engineering (BioMedSim'2005), Linköping University, Linköping, Sweden. May 26-27, 2005, with approx 25 attendees; and 2nd Conference on Modeling and Simulation for Safety and Security (SimSafe'2005), Linköping University, Linköping, Sweden. May 30, 2005, approx 25 attendees.
- No report from the Icelandic simulation society.

7. Journal Publication Issues Including SIMPRA and SNE

- Brian Elmegaard is area editor at SIMPRA. Last year, 11 papers were selected from SIMS'2004 for resubmission, reviewed, and finally 8 of those were selected for a special issue of SIMPRA.
- Anne Elster (main responsible) and Jörn Amundsen, and the local committee will select papers from SIMS'2005 for review for a special SIMPRA issue, and will contact Jürgen Halin, editor-in-chief for SIMPRA.
- SNE publication could be offered for the other papers, perhaps an offer for all SIMS papers. Perhaps publish extended abstracts, shorter than conference papers. Table of contents from the conference, and a short description of the conference. Anne Elster will forward this information to Esko Juuso who will forward it to Felix Breitenecker.

8. Next SIMS Conference

- 2006 will be organized by FinSim in Finland. Esko Juuso will chair the conference on behalf of FinSim. Probably in late August or late September, should not collide with the Modelica conference in Austria in September, and not the ECOS pulp and paper conference in early July.
- 2007 probably in Sweden, possibly in Iceland. Peter Fritzson tentatively responsible for finding program chair for SIMS'2007.

9. Future SIMS Activities

- Trondheim will organize PARA'2008, int conf on parallel computing. Previous time over 200 people attending.
- SimSafe'2006 will be organized by Örebro University, probably in May 2006.

10. Next board meeting

The date for the next meeting has to be decided later.

11. Any other business

Might use Interwise/Netmeeting for internet board meetings in the future (Brian has good experience).

12. Closing of the Board meeting.

The Chairperson closed the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting are correctly recorded:

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(Peter Fritzson, the Chairperson and secretary of the meeting)

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(Anne Elster, for approval of the minutes of the meeting)