

CACS/AIC 2010

Fredericton, NB

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Expenses.....2009

Amount	Description
\$5.00	
\$0.06	
\$6.00	CIBC Service Charge
\$1,164.00	Cherry Insurance, Directors Liability
\$52.94	Robertson, Stromberg, Pederson, legal fees
\$1,152.80	G.W. Robinson auditors, financial audit
\$10.00	Dr. Gord McCalla, annual return fee
\$128.71	Davis +henderson Cheques
\$23.53	Peter Cribb, Fedex shipping charge
\$410.24	Michelle Craig - printing of posters and hotel for CACS meeting in Windsor
\$7,212.50	CRA Association dues US \$6,428.75
\$1,631.10	Dr. Gord McCalla reimbursement for travel expenses to attend annual CACS/AIC meeting, Windsor, June 3-6, 2009
\$11,668.11	TOTAL

CACS/AIC	Ledger 2009_ in Brief
Year-end balance	\$225,057.82
Dues Received	\$35,900.00
Expenses	\$11,791.82
Net Balance in Bank	\$249,166.00

Expenses: From Jan 2010 to 15th May 2010	
Amount	Description
\$1,099.39	Cherry Insurance, Directors Liability
\$1,163.00	Ernst Grundke- travel to Windsor for presentation to CACS
\$2,000.00	Aaron Delcoux- CSMythbuster winner
\$1,000.00	Chris Oliver- CSMythbuster winner
\$500.00	Mark Michel- CSMythbuster winner*
\$26.95	Mailing and posters - Michelle Craig
\$183.75	Robertson, Stromberg, Pederson, legal fees
\$6,863.75	CRA Membership
\$12,836.84	TOTAL

CACS/AIC	Ledger 2010_ in Brief
Year-end balance	\$249,166.00
Dues Received	\$39,200.00
Expense	\$12,836.84
Balance in Bank	\$275,529.16

Report of the CACS/AIC Awards Committee

Computer Science Chairs Meeting

May 2010

Members of the CACS/AIC Awards Committee

Gord McCalla (Chair), Derek Eager, George Labahn, Clement Lam, Jonathan Schaeffer

Outstanding Young Computer Science Researcher Prize

This year the Awards Committee reached a milestone, awarding the inaugural prizes for Outstanding Young Computer Science Researcher. The winners are

- Aaron Hertzmann, University of Toronto
- Bin Ma, University of Waterloo
- Eric Schost, University of Western Ontario

Prize Awards

- CASCON conference in Toronto, November 1-4, 2010 (the 20th anniversary conference).
- Details are still being worked out with the CASCON organizers, but we hope to make this a fairly high profile event and to get some press coverage, as well.
- The prizes come with a \$1000 honorarium and a trip to the awards ceremony

Application Process Changes

- We would like a “public abstract” of the research accomplishments of the nominee to be included in the nomination package. This would not only help the committee to “parse” the nomination, but also facilitate publicity after the winners are chosen.
- We want to also include referees’ reports with the nomination, rather than having us solicit them. This will speed up the decision process, and may help make a better decision in close cases.
- We want to move the submission date up a bit to facilitate an earlier decision, say submission by December 1 (after the NSERC discovery grant deadline) and decision by February 1. This should give the winners a bit more lead time to make their plans to attend the ceremony in May or early June.
- Finally, we would like to change the wording of the “Call” to allow us to select “up to 3” candidates, should we not get enough quality candidates. This year we had only 5 nominees, and they were very good, so we could select 3 very high quality winners. While we expect the number of nominees to go up as the Prize gets established, we want to guard against a situation where we don’t receive 3 quality nominations.

Other Prizes

- “**Distinguished Service Prize**”: awarded to a Canadian academic who has served computer science well over their career. This is the prize for which we have the most consensus among committee members.
- “**Outstanding Computer Science Researcher Prize**”: for Canadian academics who have made brilliant contributions to research over their career. This is another possible prize that has been discussed by us and at Chairs meetings. One problem here is the “cold start” problem, since there are so many superb candidates in Canada (including Turing Award winners).

Capturing Pioneers

- Their Stories
- Recognizing their contributions
 - ... before it is too late
- Ideas are solicited about whether this is a good idea or a mandate for the Awards Committee