

Board meeting

Monday, March 12, 2007, at 13.00

ICT building, Joukahaisenkatu 3-5 B, 6th floor, TUCS conferens room

Items of the agenda

1. Validity of the meeting and presence of a quorum
2. Additional items
3. Closing of TUCS accounts 2006 (Donner)
4. Application for funding for the Salo unit (Salakoski)
5. External evaluation of TUCS (Salakoski)
6. TUCS Organisation and Structure (Tenhunen, Salakoski)
7. Date for an additional Board meeting (Donner)
8. Announcements
 - 8.1 Minutes of TUCS Board meeting of February 5, 2007
 - 8.2 TUCS conferens guarantee
 - 8.3 TUCS status and matching funding principles
 - 8.4 TUCS Regional Advisory Committee
 - 8.5 Change of Ph.D. student representative in the Board
 - 8.6 FMS International Visitors program 2006-2007
 - 8.7 Network of Finnish Graduate Schools in Information Technology (Figsit)
 - 8.8 Nordic Master Programmes

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Present:

Johan Lilius, Prof.

Jouni Isoaho, Prof.

Juhani Karhumäki, Prof.

Timo Knuutila, Prof., arrived during item 3

Reima Suomi, Prof., Chair

Jaakko Kuosmanen, Managing director

Tuomo Saarni, Ph.D. Student

TUCS staff:

Hannu Tenhunen, Prof., Director, Presenting Officer

Tapio Salakoski, Prof., Vice-director, Presenting Officer

Christel Donner, Administrative Officer, Presenting Officer, Secretary of the meeting

Department head:

Ari Paasio, Prof., present during item 4

1. Validity of the meeting and presence of a quorum

The notice of a board meeting has to be sent three weekdays before the meeting takes place. The meeting must be valid and the members present have to constitute a quorum. The meeting constitutes a quorum when the chairman and at least five members of the board are present.

The notice of this board meeting was sent on March 7, 2007.

Proposal: The validity of the meeting and presence of a quorum will be recorded.

Decision: According to proposal.

2. Additional items

The agenda of possible additional items will be handed out in the beginning of the meeting.

Proposal: Possible additional items will be presented.

Decision: The announcement items 8.6, 8.7 and 8.8 were added to the agenda.

Proposal: The Board approves the new structure and organization of TUCS as described above. The change will take effect immediately. Possible further refinements of the organization are subject to additional decisions by the Board.

Decision: The item was left on the table.

7. Date for an additional Board meeting (Donner)

An additional Board meeting is needed for handling the applications to TUCS Graduate School.

Proposal: The Board meeting will be on May 14th, 2007 at 13.00.

Decision: The additional meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 16th, 2007 at 13.00.

8. Announcements

8.1 Minutes of TUCS Board meeting of February 5, 2007

http://www.tucs.fi/downloads/minutes/board/board_20070205.pdf

8.2 TUCS conference guarantee

The conference HiNC2 – History of Nordic Computing 2 has been granted a conference guarantee of 5.000 €. The conference will be held in Turku 21-23 of August 2007 and the chairman of the organizing committee is Timo Järvi. The participants are estimated to be around 100 and the total budget is 56.500 €.

8.3 TUCS status and matching funding principles

The TUCS status and matching funding principles were discussed last year and a decision was made at the board meeting on April 24th, 2006. Further, the responsibilities of TUCS and the departments were discussed at the board meeting on June 12th 2006. The current principles can be found in appendix 03/02/07.

Appendix: [03/02/07](#) TUCS status and matching funding principles

8.4 TUCS Regional Advisory Committee

TUCS has previously decided to form a joint Regional Advisory Committee with ICT Turku and Turku polytechnic. CEO Jaakko Kuosmanen at ICT Turku is preparing the issue. As Turku Science Park is currently reorganizing itself, the joint Advisory Committee has not yet been nominated. However, the current plans remain, and TUCS will continue to wait for actions by TSP in this spring.

8.5 Change of Ph.D. student representative in the Board

Ph.D. student Kim Solin has resigned from his position as deputy member of the Board. The Ph.D. students have agreed on to propose Ph.D. student Teijo Lehtonen to be appointed as a new deputy Ph.D. student representative.

8.6 FMS International Visitors Program 2006-2007

Prof. Juhani Karhumäki informed the Board about the FMS (Finnish Mathematical Society) International Visitors Program 2006-2007. The program consists of visits of foreign researchers, as well as several international conferences and workshops. The organizers will apply for the TUCS short course status for some of the visits.

8.7 Network of Finnish Graduate Schools in Information Technology (Figsit)

The Network of Finnish Graduate Schools in Information Technology (Figsit) is an informal cooperative initiative between Finnish PhD programmes in computer science and information technology in more general. The network started in 2007 and TUCS Graduate School is one of the participating graduate schools. In the summer of 2008 TUCS will arrange a joint summer school related to the network.

8.8 Nordic Master Programmes

The Nordic Council of Ministers invites funding applications for pilot projects designed to lead to the introduction of Nordic Master Programmes. To further strengthen the educational position of the Nordic region the Nordic Council of Ministers is taking the initiative for joint Nordic Master Programmes. This initiative amounts to a call to the Nordic institutes of Higher Education to establish consortiums and to submit proposals for co-operation projects involving at least three institutions in at least three countries. TUCS will submit an application by the deadline April 20th, 2007.

Turku, March 12, 2007

Reima Suomi
Chair of the Board

Hannu Tenhunen
Director

Tapio Salakoski
Vice Director

Christel Donner
Secretary of the meeting