Executive Committee of the Ph.D. Program in Computer Science
April 6 2006

Secretary

Ioannis Stamos, Hunter College

Attendance

Ted Brown, Executive Officer
Segei Artemov, Graduate Center
Gary Bloom, CCNY
Kent D. Boklan, Queens College
Yung Kong, Queens College
Gwang Jung, Lehman College
Ioannis Stamos, Hunter College
Galathara Kahanda, Brooklyn College (student representative)

Minutes

- The committee approved the multiple position forms of Profs. Haralick, Herman, and Artemov.
- Prof. Artemov mentioned that the Computer Science’s website of the Graduate Center needs serious redesign. It is urgent to fix at least the bad links.
- The committee went through the schedule of the April 27/28 meeting with the reviewers.
- The decisions of the Curriculum Committee meeting of March 16 were discussed.
- All four minor changes of the Curriculum Committee meeting were approved unanimously.
- The executive committee discussed the list of courses that were considered to becoming permanent by the Curriculum Committee. The Executive Committee decided to send back the following two courses to the Curriculum Committee with positive recommendations.
  1. “Computer Networks”. The faculty members supporting the class should revise the class description in order to make it appropriate for a graduate class.
  2. “Computational Geometry”. The Executive Committee feels that this class deserves to become permanent. The class is being supported by at least two faculty members who are leading authorities in the field (Janos Pach and Peter Brass). The class is also of general interest since its applications span areas from databases to robotics.
- The committee suggests a change in the title of the approved permanent course “Statistical Models, Stochastic Processes, and Optimization with Computer Science Applications”. The committee believes that this title is very broad for one class. The following is one of the suggestions for a new title: “Statistical Models in Computer Science”.