

News from the American Association for Artificial Intelligence

Workshop Program

AAAI has supported small workshops for the last several years. This support has included publicity, printing, office help, and subsidies for other expenses. Typical grants have been \$5,000.00, although requests for up to \$10,000 will be considered. Any topic in AI science or technology is appropriate, and anyone may volunteer to organize a workshop on any topic. The organizer(s) should determine the topic, the date, the site, and the procedure for selecting papers and attendees. He or she should also decide whether preprints should be distributed.

Proposals for scientific workshops should be made to:

Professor John McCarthy
Computer Science Department
Stanford University
Stanford, California 94305.
Telephone: (415) 497-4430.
Electronic mail: jmc@su-ai.arpa.

For workshops on applied topics, applications should be made to:
Dr. Peter Hart
Syntelligence
P.O. Box 3620
Sunnyvale, California 94088.
Telephone: (408) 745-6666.
Electronic mail: hart@sri-ai.

Request for Proposals Future Conference Sites

The AAAI's Conference Committee (Jay M. Tenenbaum, Chair, Ronald Brachman, and Michael Genesereth) requests proposals from the membership for conference sites for 1988, 1990, and 1991.

The proposal should be structured around the new five day format. Based on a predictive attendance of 6,500, the proposals should include the following information:

- Description of the local AI community and its willingness to support the conference.
- Description of the variety of available housing ranging from first class hotel rooms to dormitories.

- Description of the University and/or Convention Center's large meeting rooms (ranging from 300 to 3,500 theater seating) for a minimum of three parallel sessions.

- Description of another set of three, parallel meeting rooms (used for tutorials) that can accommodate from 200 to 500 schoolroom seating each.

- Description of available exhibit space (minimum requirement of 80,000 net square feet) and service contractors.

- Description of local regulations (e.g., labor union laws, liquor licenses, and local tax structure).

- Description of local housing and convention support services from the city's Convention and Visitors Bureau. Description of procedures for process-

ing university housing reservations.

- Description of site's accessibility by air and ground transportation and local ground support transportation.

Ideally, the Conference Committee would prefer to hold the science sessions on a university campus and the engineering sessions at the larger convention facility.

For further details about this RFP, please contact:

Ms. Claudia Mazzetti AAAI
445 Burgess Drive
Menlo Park, California 94025-3496.

Submit all proposals to:

Jay M. Tenenbaum, Chair, AAAI Conference Committee
445 Burgess Drive
Menlo Park, California 94025-3496.

New Canadian Membership Rate

The AAAI is pleased to announce that, beginning in January 1988, Canadian members will be invited to join or renew their AAAI membership at the U.S. price. A change in mailing status has made this reduction possible, and we are pleased to pass the savings along to our Canadian members. Canadian-bound magazines will be sent via surface mail throughout Canada. If you have questions about this new policy, contact the Membership Coordinator. We regret that refunds of dues paid at the higher foreign rate cannot be made.

AAAI Annual Business Meeting

The 1987 AAAI annual business meeting will be held Wednesday, 15 July 1987, in the Arena at the Seattle Center during AAAI-87. All members are invited to attend!