

AIS Awards – Fall 2017

Another year with no major catastrophes. In other words, a success.

There was just one known problem with the 2017 ballot. I failed to catch the reclassification of Droll Troll from MDB to SDB, and it appeared on the ballot as an MDB. It will now get its three years of eligibility in the correct class.

This year, for the second time, more judges voted on-line than using the paper ballot. Every increase in on-line voting further validates the effort put into setting it up. There is no expectation or intention of getting rid of the paper ballot at any time in the foreseeable future. At some point there may be an option for judges to request not to receive a paper ballot.

I again set things up so that Apprentice Judges could go through the whole voting process, but their votes would not be counted. For the second time four investigated the system. Not a large number, but good candidates for on-line voting in the future.

There were no problems using the local printer for the 2017 ballot.

I am working on a draft of the 2018 ballot.

Gerry Snyder
Awards Chair