Minutes: May 19, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Dan Power, MWAIS President at 12:45pm Central.

Dan welcomed MWAIS 2007 conference attendees and reviewed accomplishments of MWAIS following the 2006 business meeting, including development of a chapter newsletter and expansion of the MWAIS website. He presented a service award to Vance Wilson, retiring MWAIS Secretary.

Chelle Vician reported that MWAIS is in satisfactory financial condition, with approximately $4800 in the chapter account and additional funds expected from the MWAIS 2007 conference.

Ilze Zigurs presided over the election of two MWAIS Executive Committee positions and a proposed change in chapter by-laws. Simha Magal was elected as President-Elect, and Amit Deokar was elected as Secretary. The proposed by-laws change was to amend Article V Section 1 from "The period of office is normally two years unless decided otherwise by the Executive Board" to "The term of office for President, President-Elect, and Past President is one year and for Secretary and Treasurer the term is two years". This amendment was passed.


Dan presented service awards to the MWAIS Conference Committee, including Rassule Hadidi and In Lee, Conference Chairs, Arkalgud Ramaprasad and Matt Nelson, Program Chairs, and Michele Gribbins, Conference Location Chair.

Arkalgud Ramaprasad and Matt Nelson presented Best Paper awards as follows:

- First Place: "Information Systems Service Quality: An Examination of User Expectations" by Robert E. Miller, Thomas W. Jones and Lee Winick
- Second Place: "The Effects of Pairing Participants in Facilitated Group Support Systems Sessions" by John D. Murphy and Deepak Khazanchi
- Third Place: "Form and Function--Group Style Differences Between Computer Mediated and Face-to-Face Teams" by Leonard Branson, Thomas S. Clausen and Chung-Hsien Sung

Outstanding Reviewer Awards were presented to John Benamati, Emanuel Grant, Douglas Havelka, Pankaj, Ton Schamback, Srinarayan Sharma, and Chelley Vician.

Dan introduced new MWAIS President, Deepak Khazanchi, and the meeting adjourned at 1:15pm Central.

(Prepared by Vance Wilson, MWAIS Secretary)