Minutes: May 22, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Simha Magal, MWAIS President at 11:15 am CST.

Simha Magal welcomed MWAIS 2009 conference attendees. He thanked the conference attendees and the conference organizers and sponsors for putting together a great professional event.

He handed out service awards to the Conference Co-chairs: Omar El-Gayar, and David Olson, Program Co-chairs: Amit Deokar and Troy Strader, and Local Arrangements: Surendra Sarnikar and Donna Fawbush.

MWAIS President, Simha Magal and the Conference Co-chair Omar El-Gayar presented a token of appreciation to the keynote speakers Kevin DeWald, and Hesham Ali.

MWAIS President, Simha Magal and the Conference Co-chair Omar El-Gayar handed the Best Paper awards as follows:

- 2nd: “Website Complexity: Objective vs. Subjective Measures” by Yi “Maggie” Guo, University of Michigan – Dearborn; Dianne Hall, Auburn University
- 3rd: “An Approach to IT Adoption in Micro-enterprises: Insights into Development” by Mehruz Kamal, Sajda Qureshi; University of Nebraska at Omaha

Simha thanked Deepak Khazanchi and presented him with a service award for his service to MWAIS, as the Past-President of MWAIS.

Simha thanked the executive committee members of MWAIS for their support.

Deepak Khazanchi presided over the election of the MWAIS Executive Committee positions. The following slate of candidates were earlier proposed by a nomination committee consisting of Dan Power, Fiona Nah and Fred Niederman:

- President-elect: Matt Germonprez
- Secretary: Amit Deokar

The new candidates were elected unanimously. Other existing executive committee members continuing in their positions include: Chelley Vician (Treasurer), Ilze Zigurs (At-large Director), Matt Germonprez (Membership and Publicity Director), Matt Germonprez (Newsletter Editor), Alanah Davis (Newsletter Assistant). Other changes include: Simha Magal as the Past-President, and Rassule Hadidi as the President, for the following year 2009-10.

Ashish Gupta presented the planned venue and agenda for MWAIS 2010, to be hosted by Minnesota State University, Moorhead, South Dakota during May 20-21, 2010.
Simha introduced new MWAIS President, Rassule Hadid, and the meeting adjourned at 11:45 am CST.

(Prepared by Amit Deokar, MWAIS Secretary)