Minutes: May 6, 2006

The meeting was held in Grand Rapids, MI, and called to order by Dan Power, Interim President at 12:40pm Eastern.

Attendees were welcomed to the conference by Dean H. James Williams, Seidman College of Business, and Dean Paul Platkowski, Padnos College of Engineering and Computing.

Conference Chairs Simha Magal and Paul Leidig reported paid attendance of 54 participants and recognized event staff and conference sponsors: Prentice Hall, Mid-American Journal of Business, and GVSU Campus Dining.

Pete Tinsley, Deputy Executive AIS Director addressed the audience, providing an overview of AIS and its functions. AIS has 4,027 current members, with 2,470 in the Americas region. MWAIS and SAIS (Southern AIS) are the two current U.S. chapters. The AIS offices are open weekdays 8:30-5:00pm eastern.

Dan Power introduced the Interim MWAIS officers. IIze Zigurs conducted an election of officers. Dan invited attendees to consider volunteering for officer and support positions in future years. After the ballots were counted, the interim officers were elected by unanimous vote. Deepak Khazanchi was elected by unanimous vote to the position of Incoming MWAIS President.

Chelley Vician moved that the bylaws be amended to allow all Executive Board members to make deposits to the chapter bank accounts. The motion was seconded by Ilze Zigurs and passed by unanimous voice vote.

Dan described planned MWAIS member services, including annual conferences, web resources, and newsletters.

Doug Havelka presented awards sponsored by the Mid West Journal of Business for best papers:

- First place to Matthew Nelson and Rosie Hauck for "Embedding Student Clickers in an Introductory Management Information Systems Course"
- Second place to Dale Ganley and Clifford Arthur-Cochise Lampe for "How Deep Runs the Karma? Structural Holes and Social Capital in an Online Community"
- Third place to Marie Buche and Joanne Scillitoe for "The Impact of Gender on Sources of Social Capital within Technology Incubators: Technology Learning in Ventures with Female Founders"

Ilze presented recognition plaques to conference chairs Simha Magal and Paul Leidig and to program chairs Barbara Klein and Cheri Speier.

Rassule Hadidi presented an overview of the MWAIS'07 conference scheduled to be hosted by the University of Illinois-Springfield. The conference is planned to begin at 1pm May 18 and run through 5:15 pm May 19, 2007.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm Eastern.

(Prepared by Vance Wilson, MWAIS Secretary)