Minutes

For the University of Massachusetts at Amherst Student Chapter of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) Officers Meeting on September 27th, 2011 in the Lederle Graduate Research Center, room 123, starting at 5:30 PM E.S.T.

2011-2012 Academic Year Officers Present:

• President: Dong "Michelle" Li
• Vice President: Tulay Varol
• Secretary: Asli Ozen, Sara Saberi
• Webmaster: Heng Chen
• Treasurer: Joanne Oh

New Business:

1. Fall Activities

We began by discussing about the activities for Fall semester. We tried to decide between a Bowling Night and a Ping-Pong tournament. After discussing about the drawbacks and advantages we decided on a Bowling night (tentatively scheduled for October 20th 9:00 pm). We also decided on another end of semester party, which attracts great attention from students.

2. Financial Concerns

Michelle asked Joanne, the treasurer, to update the financial status and report back to her. As far as he knows, the chapter finance status is still in a good shape.

3. New speaker series

We tried to decide on a certain topic from the applications of Operations Research to bring to Professor Nagurney so that she can advise us on people who will be willing to come for a presentation. We thought about healthcare, aviation, energy applications as well as humanitarian logistics. We decided to give ourselves some time to figure out some people that would be of interest and then reconvene again.

4. Secretary Missions

Amir Masoumi, last year’s treasurer agreed to attend our meeting to help us lead the meeting as well offer us his opinions in the discussions. As well as these, he passed on the e-mail, facebook and twitter accounts to the new secretaries, Asli and Sara. We really appreciated his help.

5. Michelle adjourned the meeting at 6:30 PM.