Minutes

The University of Massachusetts at Amherst Student Chapter of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) Officer Meeting came to order on leap day, February 29, 2008 in the ISOM G28 at 5:00pm.

2007-2008 Academic Year Officers Present:

- President : Qiang (Patrick) Qiang
- Vice President: Trisha Woolley
- Secretary: Deanna Kennedy
- Speaker Series Coord.: Trisha Woolley
- Treasurer: Amir Masoumi
- Webmaster: Zugang (Leo) Liu

New Business:

1. ISOM Open House for new undergraduates to be held on April 5th, 2008. The Isenberg School will host its annual Open House on Saturday, April 5th, for students accepted into the Isenberg School as incoming freshmen for Fall 2008. The purpose of this Open House is to give these accepted students and their families one final look at the Isenberg School before making their final decision as to where to attend college. The INFORMS student chapter calendar of events was sent to coordinator, Lizzy Kazinskas. Officer participation and club representation at the Open House discussed.

2. Upcoming activity night moved from March 14th to March 27th (Thursday). Potential activities included bowling, billiards, movies, or ping pong. It was decided that a billiards event would be held.

3. Treasurer reported on status of club account. It was also suggested that one person purchase the supplies for the end of the semester party to minimize paperwork.

4. End of the semester party was discussed. It is scheduled for May 8th, 2008.

5. It was mentioned that Tina Wakolbinger, University of Memphis, INFORMS Judith Liebman Award, 2006, and past president of the UMASS chapter will participate in a panel discussion titled “How to Setup and Sustain a Student/Regional Chapter” at the 2008 Southwest Regional INFORMS Conference.

6. Participation in lunches following lectures was discussed. Members interested in participating in one of the lunches at the faculty club should contact Trisha at umassinformatics@som.umass.edu. Lunch assignments are coordinated on a first come first serve basis.

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 PM E.S.T