



Economics Chapter of the System Dynamics Society

To: Economics Chapter of the International System Dynamics Society
From: Oleg Pavlov, Chapter President
Date: August 6, 2006
Re: Minutes of the chapter meeting

A chapter meeting was held on July 24th, 2006 during the 24th International Conference of the System Dynamics Society in Nijmegen, the Netherlands. We convened at 13:00 and adjourned at 14:10. Seventeen people were present. Below are the topics that were discussed during the meeting.

1. We raised the possibility of setting up a Wiki-type website for the chapter. Lars Weber and David Wheat volunteered to look into this issue.

Note: As of August 6, 2006, Wiki site is up and running! It's available at

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Economics_Chapter_of_the_System_Dynamics_Society

According to Lars, the site was created primarily by Susan Voigt (Lars's student). Susan, Lars, David, many thanks!!!

2. During the meeting, it was noted that it would be very desirable to compile an economics-related system dynamics bibliography. If anyone is interested in participating in this effort, please let me know (opavlov AT wpi.edu). Or you can directly add relevant citations to the chapter's Wiki site.
3. We spent several minutes talking about participating in economics conferences. Two economics conferences were suggested as meeting places for the chapter: an AFIT meeting, which is usually held in April, and a Computational Economics conference, which is usually convened in June. Several chapter members have successfully participated in AFIT 2006; we can do the same next year. If interested in AFIT, please contact Michael Radzicki. I also would like to discuss further the possibility of us attending a Computational Economics conference; in 2007, it will be in Montreal, Canada. If you have suggestions about other conferences that we should go to, please let us know. Active and continuous participation by our members in economics conferences may indicate that there are sufficient interest and ample body of work to justify a special issue of the System Dynamics Review devoted to economics.

4. Prior to the conference, Michael Reilly and I worked on printing a small batch of custom-made t-shirts with economics chapter insignia. Thanks to Michael's perseverance and his financial backing, the t-shirts were printed. Even though Michael could not attend the conference, he shipped several t-shirts to Nijmegen. During the meeting, two t-shirts were raffled off. The winners were Vladimir Shiryayev and Andrey Koblov. Please contact Michael Reilly ([reillycm AT cox.net](mailto:reillycm@cox.net)) if you have further questions about t-shirts.



In the photo (left to right): Vladimir Shiryayev, Michael Radzicki, Andrey Koblov, and Oleg Pavlov. Photo credit: Souleymane Bah.

5. An issue that was left unresolved during the meeting was the election of a new President-Elect of the chapter. Hence, please submit your nominations. The President-Elect will become President in July 2007.