



OREGON CHAPTER

American Statistical Association

Minutes of the Fall 2007 Meeting Thursday, October 25

1. Location: King Tin restaurant, Corvallis, Oregon
2. Participants: 26
3. Business items:
 - a. Announcement of agenda and information items for the National Board of Directors meeting on November 9th.
 - b. Announcement of the 2008 ASA Member Initiatives (formerly called the Strategic Initiative program). Due date for ideas is February 1, 2008. Dongseok suggested we write a proposal for training the secondary school statistics teachers.
 - c. President Jim Alegria proposed a timeline for producing a strategic plan for the chapter. The following timeline was agreed to:
 - Fall meeting through December: Adopt a process for developing a plan and solicit oral and written comments for the plan
 - Prior to Winter meeting: Draft plan sent to Chapter members for review
 - Winter meeting through February: Solicit oral and written comments on the draft
 - Prior to Spring meeting: Final draft sent to chapter members for review
 - Spring meeting: Vote on adopting final draft 'as is' or with minor tweaking.The following structure for the strategic plan was accepted:
 - Mission Statement
 - Strategic Goals – Where does the Chapter want to be in 5 to 10 years? The Strategic goals must support the mission statement
 - Operational Goals – These are nested within the strategic goals and carry out the strategic goals
 - d. A discussion about the strategic plan produced the following:
 - ASA is looking for grant proposals focusing on training high school teachers. (Dongseok)
 - We have made money on short courses in the past, but it may be harder to sponsor those now. (Tim)
 - Regional sections should band together to get a short course. (Dongseok)
 - Our activities in the past have included our three chapter meetings per year and participation in the science fair. We have opened a new front: high school teachers. A comment was made that volunteers to high schools don't cost us anything.

5. Presentation by Dr. Alix Gitelman of Oregon State University on *Bayesian Modeling for Non-Statisticians: Some Pedagogical Challenges*.

Submitted by Lisa Madsen, Secretary/Treasurer 2006-7.