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Dear Midwest Gateway INCOSE members and affiliates,

As we transition to a new year, I'd like to introduce our newest members of your chapter Board of Directors:

President-Elect - Marcos Chu  
Secretary - Tariq Ashraf  
Director 1 (07/08): Brian Beyer  
Director 2 (07/08): Steve D'Urso

Congratulations and thanks to all candidates for their willingness to actively participate in our chapter as well as all members who voted in this election. These newest board members will be joining Mason Myers (President), Bill Bezdek (Treasurer), Steve Recker (Director 06/07), Al Bruns (Director 06/07), and myself (Past President) in leading us in 2007. We'll look forward to continued progress by the new board and help from all throughout 2007 in capturing and communicating the virtues of Systems Engineering and INCOSE. Thanks to Jack Howard, Ann Lynn, and Dick Mayer who will be leaving the board but hopefully participating in other capacities with our chapter.

By now members should have received and even perhaps read our new, revitalized chapter newsletter issued this month (Web Link: [http://www.incose.org/mdwest/Newsletters/INCOSE\\_Newsletter-06-12.pdf](http://www.incose.org/mdwest/Newsletters/INCOSE_Newsletter-06-12.pdf) ). We expect to continue publication at least on a quarterly basis. If you'd like to contribute an article to this publication, please forward it to Steve Recker or myself. If you're not currently a member, please consider joining us and becoming actively engaged. You can refer to our chapter web site for membership benefits information and an easy application process ( <http://www.incose.org/mdwest/JoinINCOSE.htm> ).

Thank you all for the very strong support we saw throughout the year at our numerous chapter meetings (avg. attendance was about 35). Membership participation is at the heart of our chapter and INCOSE, so your attendance at meetings and involvement behind the scenes is vital. Thanks to Bill Schoening for serving as our Programs Chair. Since Bill is once again expanding his work with INCOSE and otherwise (including a possible 2009 International Symposium bid by a Midwest team that includes our chapter), please let me or Mason know if you'd be interested in taking over as Programs Chair or presenting at an upcoming meeting. Our chapter meetings are an excellent venue for testing concepts, exchanging ideas, and learning something new.

Finally, I'd also like to thank you for not only supporting me as your Chapter President this year but also helping to place me this Fall on the INCOSE Board of Directors as your new INCOSE Region 1 Representative (one of six regions around the world). It's truly an honor to be selected by one's peers as a representative for them at a broader level. Please let me know what you think INCOSE can be doing or doing better at large and I'll keep you periodically posted regarding our progress. Here's wishing you a great 2007 and that all of your systems endeavors are a complete success!

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