

Attendees:

Carl Adams, IDSc
Mark Baltes, Securian
Ravi Bapna, IDSc
Matt Blumberg, Carlson Student
Chris Bretoi, 3M
John Curtin
Alok Gupta, IDSc
Van Houlson, U of Mn Libraries
Kevin Huang, Carlson Student
Kaitlin Klaustermeier, Carlson Student
Mike McFarlane, Cargill
Tim Olson, IDSc
Jessica Sun, Carlson Student
Martin Tatar, Carlson Student
Mary Texer
Yu Wang, Carlson Student

We met on Monday 4/18 for a meeting. We had 6 company representatives present.

Topics covered:

1) Alok MIS Update:

a. Carlson School Dean is leaving for U of Michigan. Impact is new Dean search could take 1-2 years given other changes going on at University and that many schools are searching. This places a lot of uncertainty on program changes in Carlson School, especially MIS

b. Master IS program will try and move forward but Provost and Interim Dean (when named) will need to decide if they really want to do this

2) Case Competition Update:

a. The Vancouver Team gave us a brief update on their competition. Singapore team leaves this week for their competition

b. The teams are recommending MIS program sponsors Case Competition next fall. Alok is supporting but will be asking companies to help fund this. More to come

3) High School Outreach: No Update

4) MIS Website Update:

- a. Tim explained the site is moving forward
- b. EABC asked them to get it into students hands and let it go viral
- c. EABC supported moving this forward

5) General Discussion

- a. It was decided we need a meeting with more board members present to discuss strategy on funding options for companies and expectations of EABC etc. There seems to be unconnected requests for funding that is not sustainable. We need a strategy and approach so companies can plan, MIS program can have expectations on what to count on, and the board needs to be more active in meetings and understand what role.
- b. ALok will be polling for meeting times that work better for people on the board. Next meeting will be completely dedicated to funding strategy discussion. Meeting will be a working session with Alok sending us thoughts ahead of time. Please come with your thoughts and insights.