In attendance were at least 31 members of the SIGMAA QL, including the following officers: Maura Mast, Chair; John Fink, Chair-Elect; John Bukowski, Secretary-Treasurer; Aaron Montgomery, Webmaster.

1. Chair Maura Mast called the meeting to order at 5:54 p.m.

2. Maura Mast announced that John Fink would be the next Chair of SIGMAA QL. She then thanked outgoing Past Chair Caren Diefenderfer for her service to the SIGMAA.

3. Maura Mast said that our online election went well in October, as we had about 65 voters. Kimberly Vincent was voted Chair-Elect, and Semra Kilic-Bahi was elected Secretary-Treasurer, both effective February 1. She then thanked outgoing Secretary-Treasurer John Bukowski for his service to the SIGMAA QL.

4. Maura Mast mentioned that the remaining QL event at the Joint Meetings is Rick Gillman’s panel on “Calculus, Liberal Arts, and Quantitative Literacy,” on Sunday morning. She also said that Rick’s volume of MAA Notes, “Current Practices in Quantitative Literacy,” is now available.

5. Kim Vincent moved that the minutes of the January 14, 2006, business meeting be approved. Gary Franchy seconded. The minutes were approved.

6. John Bukowski gave the Treasurer’s Report. He presented the SIGMAA QL’s financial information, as of September 30, 2006. He reported that we received $1440 in dues to that point, with more to come. He reported expenses of $181 for postage, and $561 for receptions during 2006. We spent $382 for our reception at last year’s Joint Meetings, and $179 for the off-site reception at the Knoxville MathFest. We expect to spend $437 for today’s reception. He said that the balance in the SIGMAA QL account stood at $3673, which we should think about spending on some activities.

7. John Bukowski gave the Membership Report. He said that we have 231 members as of November 1, 2006, which is up from 214 last year. He noted that our numbers have increased every year, but we are still one of the smaller SIGMAAs.

8. Maura Mast gave a review of SIGMAA QL activities at the 2006 Joint Meetings and MathFest 2006. She then mentioned the activities at this meeting, which include the panel discussions and the minicourse on
Spreadsheets Across the Curriculum. Next, she outlined upcoming SIGMAA QL events: the NECQL meeting at Vassar; the MAC3 workshop next week in Miami; the NNN annual meeting, with the American Sociological Association, in Chicago in April; the PREP workshop at Moravian College in June; some events at MathFest 2007 in San Jose; the MAC3 workshop at Sleeping Lady in August; and events at next year’s Joint Meetings in San Diego. There was a handout containing all of this information.

9. Maura Mast said that there have been good discussions on the listserv. She thanked Aaron Montgomery for a great job with the QL website, which lists QL events, among other things. She also reminded everyone that we had a paper newsletter this year as well as a postcard mailing.

10. Maura Mast said that we are always looking for people to help us out – to help with sessions, to write for the newsletter, or to be an officer.

11. Rick Gillman noticed that we are building up a nice amount of money and suggested that we figure out how to spend some of it, pointing out that other SIGMAAs (EM and BIG) have done some larger events. Maura Mast mentioned that the officers have discussed these kinds of things, such as speakers.

12. Rick Gillman moved to adjourn, and Stuart Boersma seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John F. Bukowski, Secretary-Treasurer