2010 Annual Conference

Mainstreet Economics
Labor Markets and Health Care in America

Hamline University
Sundin Music Hall

St. Paul, Minnesota
October 29, 2010
8:30 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast
        Poster Session (Posters displayed by economics undergraduates and graduates)

9:10 a.m.  Welcome and Introductory Comments
        Parker Wheatley, College of St. Benedict/St. John’s University,
        MEA President
        David Stern, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs,
        Hamline University

9:20 a.m.  Heller Distinguished Lecture – Taxing Ourselves
        Joel Slemrod, University of Michigan
        Professor of Economics and Paul W. McCracken Collegiate Professor of
        Business Economics and Public Policy
        Introduced by Laura Kalambokidis, Applied Economics, University of Minnesota

10:30 a.m.  Break

10:45 a.m.  Labor Markets in Middle America
        Session Moderator: Fahima Aziz, Hamline University
        Speakers:
        Colleen Manchester, Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota
        Use of Work-Family Practices in the United States
        Terry Fitzgerald, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
        Middle American Stagnation

11:55 a.m.  Luncheon – Klas Center, Kay Fredericks Room, 3rd Floor
        12:30 p.m.  Presentation of Awards
        12:45 p.m.  Business Meeting
        Treasurer’s Report (Dan Fairchild)
        Election of Officers (Rob Grunewald)
        1:00 p.m.  Luncheon Speaker
        Art Rolnick, Human Capital Research Collaborative, University of Minnesota
        The Economics of Early Childhood Education

2:10 p.m.  Implications of Health Care Reform – Sundin Music Hall
        Session Moderator: Jennifer Schultz, University of Minnesota, Duluth
        Panelists:
        Jean Abraham, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota
        Stephen Parente, Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota
        Andrea Walsh, Executive Vice President, HealthPartners

3:20 p.m.  Closing Remarks and Adjournment
        Jan Werner, University of Minnesota, incoming MEA President