## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 3 - DECEMBER 2006 ROUND 3 ANALYTIC GEOMETRY OF THE STRAIGHT LINE

## **ANSWERS**

A) _		:_		
B)				

C) 
$$x = _____, y = ______$$

A) The segment connecting A(1, 8) and B(6, -2) crosses the *x*-axis at point *P*. Determine the ratio BP: AP.

B) Given: *A*(0, 2006) and *B*(4250, 0)

The point C(p, q) is the point on  $\overline{AB}$  with integer coordinates that is closest to, but different from, point A.

The point D(r, s) is the point on  $\overline{AB}$  with integer coordinates that is closest to, but different from, point B.

Find 
$$p + q + r + s$$

C)  $\triangle PQR$  has vertices at P(-12, 0), Q(14, 0) and R(2, 42). There is a single point S(x, y) in the interior of  $\triangle PQR$  that is equidistant from points P, Q and R. Find the numerical values of x and y.