Committee on Industrial Theory and Assessment  
Meeting Minutes ~ September 12, 2006

Attendees: Linda Silka, Bob Forrant, Craig Slatin, David Turcotte, Bill Mass, Bill Lazonick, Dan Egan, Cathy Crumbley, Phil Moss, Robin Toof and Ed March. Meeting minutes were taken by Nancy Hodge.

Conference Planning

Planning for the 2007 CITA Conference was the main focus of the meeting. A list of all abstracts received to date was distributed. At meeting time, thirty-six abstracts have been received. The deadline has been moved to September 30th. Members were asked to review the list to help with possibly themes. A sub-committee has been created; Phil Moss, Dan Egan and Robert Forrant will begin exploring possible themes.

Committee members were asked to assist with identifying people and/or organizations outside of the United States that might be interested in participating in the conference. Please send them the conference information and direct them to the CITA web site.

While discussing conference details, suggestions included a Friday night reception at the museum, a trolley ride, tours of the city and possibly trips to partnership locations. All members are asked to send ideas to Bob and Linda with ideas for the conference.

Members need to bring ideas to the next meeting regarding a keynote speaker. University and community leaders presenting together is a possibility.

Summer CITA Project Update

Summer CITA project was very successful this year. Several high school and grad students were hired to explore economic development and the arts. The group interviewed three hundred people and created a video under the supervision of Patty Coffey. The plan is to unveil the video at a red carpet premier in November at the Revolving Museum.

Update on CITA Book Project

Dan Egan and Bill Mass indicated that they are doing work on the next CITA volume. They have been working with the contributors and will make an update at the next meeting.

Miscellaneous

Bill Mass distributed the Fall Seminar Series Listing. CITA will co-sponsor the first four seminars.

The committee discussed the sustainability web link on the UML home page and the lack of information. After much discussion, it was agreed that a subcommittee needed to be formed to take further action. Bill Mass, Bob Forrant and Dave Turcotte agreed to take the lead.

2006 CITA Conference will be held APRIL 26th, 27th, and 28th.

Next Meeting: October 3, 2006 at 12:15 in RESD.