

Communication and Technology Interest Group Business Meeting

Date: April 27, 2007

Meeting Called to Order: 8:05 a.m. by Cathy Wright

Name change approved yesterday. We are officially CAT.

Jason is the new president / esteemed Pooh-Bah of CAT.

First VP if interest panel chair is unwilling/unable to do it, past chair would take over—having in place will allow the VP to make some decisions.

NCA—co-chair structure...suggestion

Cathy will be Jason's back-up.

49 members in interest group

Financially ECA is doing very well.

Next year will be in Pittsburgh from April 30-May 4

Theme: Making a Difference—connect others through scholarship and teaching

Kudos to Roxanne on marketing

Talk to business professionals about being on a panel.

We are probably going to lose some panels because of restructuring. They are going to look at member numbers vs. the number of panels approved for each interest group.

Media Ecology—Roxanne

100th Anniversary is 2009 in Philadelphia

Anniversary book that will be published—authors are writing pieces now. It will be published by Oxford University Press.

2010—Baltimore Inner Harbor, new venue

2011—Providence/ Washington D.C. / Puerto Rico

CAT Manual:

- By-laws online / please add to manual
- Contact list
- Minutes
- Pass alongs

Group needs to vote for ECA Executive Council Representative—Cathy interested in position. Nominations closed. Cathy elected.

Need paper reviewers for next convention, a sign-up sheet was passed.

Encourage people to get panels from different schools.

Cathy passed the book to Jason.

Needed to vote for 2009 program chair—Davis Folger nominated.

Question for Pittsburgh conference at the Omni William Penn—can we bring in outside equipment?

Lobby for technology—need to get it in for the first time

Suggest we get publishers to support a technology enabled room.

Panel ideas:

- Social e-networking
- Gaming (Renselar)
- How technology changes communication research
- Xerox star—CMU
- Arpanet—CMU
- Collaboration through technology
- Political campaigning and the Internet
- Emoticons
- Collaboration across programs—class between schools; presence in virtual space
- Critical evaluation of software from publishers
- New technology—pod casting, etc.
- “The Cutting Edge”
- EBooks / technology from publishers
- WiFi in cities—results / effects on urban planning
- Best practices

Looking at creating a multiple collaborative eBook—digital media PDF

Meeting adjourned 9:00 a.m.

Executive Council Meeting Notes from Cathy Wright

4/26/07

Name change from Human Information Technology to Communication and Technology was presented and unanimously approved.

ECA's First Vice President needs verbiage in our by-laws about what occurs if an interest planner is unable or unwilling to continue as interest planner. Who would be the back up? We need an interest chair and back up.

If the interest chair slacks off, then the past chair should be the contact.

Chair communicates with chair-elect about the decisions made.

Discussed numbers interest groups. Minimum number is 25; we have 49 as of April 17, 2007.

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Discussion of 2008 Convention:

- In Pittsburgh
- William Penn Hotel (same as 2005)
- Dates: April 30-May 4
- Theme: Making a difference
 - o Search for ways to connect with others thru scholarship and teaching.
- Great opportunity for CAT
 - o Ask for people to organize panels today.

100th Anniversary Convention (2009)

- Philadelphia
- Same hotel as last year
- Be certain to vote for logos
- 100th Anniversary book to be published

2010 site

- Baltimore, Inner Harbor
- Not at the hotel ECA was at before

2011 site

- Boston
- Washington DC
- Providence

Survey for the Institutional self-study task force—please complete and pas out extras if necessary.