

**Illinois Economic Recovery Commission
Innovation Committee**

**Minutes
November 30, 2009**

The Committee convened at 1 p.m., at the Thompson Center. Committee members present were: Sona Wang (Chair), Ellen Carnahan, Anders Gustafsson (by phone) and Lee Shapiro (by phone). Invited speakers were: Matthew Summy, David Miller, Maura O'Hara, Linda Darragh, and Jason Felger. Others present were Alex Rorke (Commission Co-Chair), Jennifer Weisensee (State of Illinois), Tom Jacks (NWU) John Brodson (ESC), Michael Johnson (ESC), Irving Miller (ESC), Donna Williamson, Laura Pearl (by phone), K. Lefleur, and Dennis Sienko.

The minutes of November 16, 2009 were approved as written.

Sona Wang announced that the committee meeting scheduled for December 14, 2009 has been rescheduled to December 15, 2009 to accommodate an invited speaker. The Committee will meet on that date at 1 p.m., at the Thompson Center.

Matthew Summy, President & CEO of the Illinois Science & Technology Coalition, made a presentation on behalf of the Coalition, and responded to a few questions.

David Miller, President of the Illinois Biotechnology Industry Organization, made a presentation on behalf of the Organization, and responded to a few questions.

Maura O'Hara, of the Illinois Venture Capital Association, made a presentation on behalf of the Association, and responded to a few questions.

Linda Darragh, of the Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship, and Jason Felger, of the Chicagoland Entrepreneurial Center, made a presentation on the Cluster Acceleration Program, and responded to a few questions.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for December 7, 2009, at 1 p.m., at the Thompson Center.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.