

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2010
WASHINGTON, DC**

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

(These are not official minutes of the CHEA Board of Directors.)

Chair John D. Wiley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Action on Recommendations of the CHEA Committee on Recognition

The board of directors approved the CHEA Committee on Recognition's recommendations to:

- Grant six accrediting organizations eligibility to seek CHEA recognition:
 - American Council for Construction Education
 - Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation
 - Commission on Accrediting of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
 - Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs
 - National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission
 - Project Management Institute Global Accreditation Center for Project Management Education Programs
- Defer eligibility for the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs

Board of Directors *Resolution on Accreditation and Accountability*

The board of directors approved a *Resolution of the Board of Directors on Accreditation and Accountability*, addressing CHEA's ongoing role in providing a national and international forum for discussion of accountability issues such as student achievement and transparency. The *Resolution* acknowledges the importance of accountability to CHEA institutional members, accrediting organizations, associations, government and others. It reaffirms CHEA's commitment to work with all constituents on these vital issues. CHEA will distribute the *Resolution* by email and post it on the [CHEA Website](#).

CHEA Working Group on Eligibility

The board of directors completed 15 months of discussion focused on whether to expand CHEA eligibility, either by (1) modifying or eliminating the current degree-granting requirement for accrediting organizations that seek CHEA recognition or (2) modifying eligibility for institutional membership in CHEA to include non-degree schools. A key factor in this consideration is how such expansion would align with the core purposes and mission of CHEA established at its inception. These include commitment to general education, the importance of the degree and the value of the undergraduate experience. At the April 2010 meeting, the board determined not to take any action with regard to expansion at this time, but to continue consideration of this issue, with at least an annual update and review.

Election of CHEA Board Members

The board of directors elected seven individuals to serve on the CHEA Board for 2010–2013 and one individual to serve on the board for 2010–2012:

- Caesar Andrews, Paul A. Leonard Distinguished Visiting Chair for Ethics and Writing in Journalism, Reynolds School of Journalism, University of Nevada, Reno, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013*
- John C. Bravman, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Stanford University, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013**
- David G. Carter, Chancellor, Connecticut State University System, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013*
- Scott S. Cowen, President, Tulane University, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013*
- David Johnson, III, Director, Office of State Debt Collection (2009), State of Utah, former member, National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013
- Charles Larson, Chair, ViaGlobal Group, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013*
- Judy C. Miner, President, Foothill College, for a two-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2012
- Karen W. Morse, President Emeritus, Western Washington University, for a three-year term, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2013*

* Incumbent elected to serve a second three-year term

** John Bravman becomes president of Bucknell University effective July 1, 2010

Election of 2010–2011 Board Officers

The board of directors elected the following officers and members of the board's executive committee:

- William E. Kirwan, Chancellor, The University System of Maryland, *Chair*
- David G. Carter, Chancellor, Connecticut State University System, *Vice Chair*
- Karen W. Morse, President Emeritus, Western Washington University, *Secretary*
- Charles Larson, Chair, ViaGlobal Group, *Treasurer*
- Bobby Fong, President, Butler University, *Member-at-Large*
- Madlyn L. Hanes, Chancellor, Penn State Harrisburg, *Member-at-Large*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2010–2011 Organizational Goals

President Judith Eaton presented and the board approved a draft of the 2010–2011 organizational goals. Goals for next year include continuation of the [CHEA Initiative](#), focusing on seven policy areas that have emerged from the first two years of discussions; working with higher education associations and other organizations to address accountability, student achievement and transparency and other related issues; and continuing CHEA's ongoing organizational work in government affairs, recognition and membership services.

Government Affairs

Vice President for Government Affairs Jan Friis reported that the most recent U.S. Department of Education (USDE) [negotiated rulemaking committee](#) on program integrity held its third and final meeting on January 25-29, 2010. He noted that the committee arrived at consensus on 9 of the 14 issues under consideration. Proposed rules are expected to be available within the next eight weeks.

Vice President Friis reported that Congressman Timothy Bishop (D-NY) announced the introduction of [H.R. 4535 - the Diploma and Accreditation Integrity Protection Act](#) at a news conference held during the CHEA International Seminar in Washington, D.C. (January 28, 2010). The bill's purpose is to reduce the sale and use of fraudulent degrees for federal employment purposes. Representatives Michael Castle (R-DE) and Betty McCollum (D-MN) are cosponsors of the bill.

Vice President Friis reported that the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI), the federal advisory body to the Secretary of Education that provides recommendations on the recognition of accrediting organizations, is still awaiting the House of Representatives appointments. USDE has tentatively scheduled an advisory committee meeting for September 14-16, 2010.

Mr. Friis also reported on a draft [Guide to the Accrediting Agency Recognition Process](#) distributed by USDE in February 2010. The *Guide* is intended to assist accrediting organizations as they prepare federal recognition petitions as well as aid members of NACIQI and USDE staff. USDE held three meetings with recognized accrediting organizations about the *Guide* and is considering revisions.

CHEA Initiative

President Judith Eaton reported that CHEA had completed twenty visits with accrediting organization commissions, held four CEO/CAO roundtables across the United States and conducted two national accreditation fora during the past year. Activities for the remainder of the year include visiting with three additional accrediting commissions, hosting a fifth roundtable, conducting a student focus group and hosting the fifth National Accreditation Forum at the [2010 CHEA Summer Workshop](#) on June 17-18.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

**The next meeting of the CHEA
Board of Directors will take place
on September 20-21, 2010 in Washington, DC.**

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