



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2006

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

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

Chair Richard Traina called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY06 first and second quarter financial report.
- Approved changes to the CHEA fee structure and fee amounts, effective July 1, 2007.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The board of directors accepted the committee on recognition's recommendation for eligibility for the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures

After presentation by the CHEA Committee on Recognition, public comment and deliberation in executive session, the CHEA Board of Directors adopted proposed revisions to the 1998 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures. The action by the CHEA board is the culmination of 27 months of drafting, discussion and public comment on the policy. The revisions are effective January 23, 2006.

CHEA Institutional Eligibility and Recognition Policy

The CHEA Board of Directors took action to delete a section of the 1997 CHEA Institutional Eligibility and Recognition Policy dealing with the transition to CHEA recognition for organizations recognized either by the Council on Postsecondary Education (COPA) or by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation (CORPA). The revision is effective January 23, 2006.

CHEA Mediation Process

The board discussed the history and status of the Mediation Process established by CHEA in 1998. The purpose of mediation is to provide service to CHEA institutional members through efforts to resolve disputes that may arise between institutions and accrediting organizations in the course of an accreditation review.

Government Relations

Stephanie Gold, Hogan and Hartson, LLP, reported on the status of the Higher Education Act reauthorization in both the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives. She provided information on key substantive developments since September 2005 and noted that CHEA communicates often with congressional staff and has submitted written comments focused on provisions in the bills that relate to religious missions, right to counsel and transfer of credit. CHEA continues to track other provisions in the bills, including provisions related to student achievement, growth and public information.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

The next meeting of the CHEA Board of Directors
will take place on May 1-2, 2006 in Washington, DC.
