

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015
WASHINGTON, DC**

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

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

Chair Dorothy Leland called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY15 first and second quarter financial report.
- Received an update on FY15 institutional membership.
- Received a report from the Reserve, Investment and Audit Committee.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The board of directors approved the Council for Higher Education (CHEA) Committee on Recognition's recommendations to:

- Grant eligibility to seek CHEA recognition to:
 - Commission on Sport Management Accreditation
 - National Association for the Education of Young Children-Early Childhood Associate Degree Accreditation
- Deny eligibility to seek CHEA recognition to:
 - Masters in Psychology and Counseling Commission on Accreditation
- Award CHEA recognition to:
 - ABET
 - Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
 - The Higher Learning Commission
- Award CHEA recognition with a report to:
 - Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board of the Society for Landscape Architecture

- Defer the CHEA recognition decision for:
 - AACSB International
 - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges
- Deny CHEA recognition to:
 - Society of American Foresters

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Government Affairs Report

Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Vice President for Government Affairs Jan Friis reported on the organization of education committees in the U.S. House and Senate. Representative John Kline (R-MN) will continue as Chair of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce. Virginia Foxx (R-NC) will continue as Chair of the House Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training, with Robert Scott (D-VA) as Ranking Democrat on the Education Committee and Ruben Hinojosa (D-TX) continuing as Ranking Member of the Higher Education subcommittee. In the Senate, Lamar Alexander (R-TN) is Chair of the HELP Committee, with Patty Murray (D-WA) becoming the Ranking Democrat on the committee.

With regard to reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, Senator Alexander has made it known that he would like to have a draft of a reauthorization bill by Memorial Day. Representative Kline has said that he would like to complete reauthorization this year.

In December 2014, USDE released a framework for its proposed college ratings system and intends to release the system itself in time for the 2015-2016 school year. USDE also published proposed regulations intended to improve accountability of teacher preparation programs. CHEA will be holding briefings on accreditation for both the House and the Senate in the next several months.

2015 Annual Conference and CIQG Meeting

President Judith Eaton provided information about the 2015 Annual Conference and CIQG Annual Meeting to be held immediately following the board meeting.

**The next meeting of the CHEA
Board of Directors will take place
May 4-5, 2015 in Washington, DC.**

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