

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011
WASHINGTON, DC**

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

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

Chair David G. Carter called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY11 fourth quarter financial report.
- Accepted the FY11 external audit as presented.
- Approved the transfer of FY11 remaining funds to CHEA Reserve Funds.
- Received an update on FY12 institutional membership.

CHAIR'S REPORT

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

- Grant eligibility to seek CHEA recognition to:
 - Accreditation Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications
 - American Occupational Therapy Association Council for Occupational Therapy Education
 - American Psychological Association Commission on Accreditation
 - Commission for Interior Design Accreditation
 - Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care
 - Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
 - Joint Review Committee on Education Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Accept recommendation to award CHEA recognition to:
 - Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
- Award CHEA recognition with a report in two years to:
 - Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation

- Award CHEA recognition and approve formal requests for a change of scope to:
 - National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission
 - Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools
- Award CHEA recognition with a report in one year and approve a change of scope for:
 - Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs
- Defer CHEA recognition of:
 - American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
 - Global Accreditation Center for Project Management Education Programs
 - Planning Accreditation Board
- Defer CHEA recognition and a formal request for a change of scope of:
 - Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools

Appointment of 2011-2012 CHEA Board of Directors Committees

Chair David G. Carter announced the appointment of members to the following committees:

Committee on Directors

- Caesar Andrews, Public Member, *Chair*
- John C. Bravman, President, Bucknell University
- Dorothy Leland, Chancellor, University of California Merced
- Joe D. May, President, Louisiana Community and Technical College System
- Barbara R. Snyder, President, Case Western Reserve University
- Craig D. Swenson, Chancellor, Argosy University

Committee on Membership

- Mary Ann P. Swain, Professor, State University of New York at Binghamton, *Chair*
- Bobby Fong, President, Ursinus College
- George D. Gollin, Professor of Physics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Madlyn L. Hanes, Vice President, Commonwealth Campuses, Pennsylvania State University
- David Johnson, III, Grants and Contracts Officer, University of Utah
- Judy C. Miner, President, Foothill College

Reserve, Investment and Audit Committee

- Treasurer John E. Bassett, President, Heritage University, *Chair*
- Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University
- Charles Larson, ViaGlobal Group
- Karen W. Morse, President Emeritus, Western Washington University
- Paula Peinovich, President, National Labor College

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

New Leadership Alliance for Student Learning and Accountability Guidelines

President Judith Eaton provided the board with background information on the New Leadership Alliance for Student Learning and Accountability established in 2009 as a national organization to lead and support efforts toward gathering, reporting and using evidence to improve student learning in undergraduate education. The board reviewed Guidelines developed by the Alliance to further its goals. The [Guidelines](#) are consistent with CHEA's work on student learning outcomes and are also consistent with the emphasis on student achievement that has characterized the CHEA *Recognition Policy and Procedures*.

The board of directors endorsed the [Guidelines](#).

Appointments to the Committee on Recognition

The board of directors appointed the following members of the Committee on Recognition to three-year terms (January 2012 - December 2014):

- William B. DeLauder, President Emeritus, Delaware State University*
- Karen Hanson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Indiana University Bloomington
- David Holger, Associate Provost for Academic Programs and Dean of the Graduate College, Iowa State University

* *Reappointment*

Government Affairs Report

Vice President for Government Affairs Jan Friis reported that bipartisan support has been generated for bills introduced in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives to repeal new regulations establishing a federal definition of a credit hour and creating new rules governing state authorization. The House Education and Workforce Committee passed the bill on June 15, 2011. A date for discussion and vote on legislation has not been set by the full House. No action has been taken by the Senate on its bill.

Mr. Friis reported that the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia struck down the portion of the new state authorization regulations that applies to distance education. The U.S. Department of Education appealed the court ruling. The USDE issued a "Dear Colleague" letter to provide guidance on new state authorization provisions in the context of distance learning.

The National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) met in June 2011 and continued work on a policy agenda that may provide a foundation for the USDE and the proposal for the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, likely to get underway in 2013 or 2014. CHEA President Judith Eaton provided testimony at the June meeting. Jamiene Studley, President and CEO, Public Advocates, Inc., was elected to serve as NACIQI's new chair.

USDE has published its second set of final regulations covering gainful employment that will go into effect on July 1, 2012. The measures determine whether certain postsecondary education programs lead to gainful employment and conditions under which these programs remain eligible for federal financial assistance. USDE has issued two announcements to provide additional guidance on new gainful employment regulations. [Gainful Employment Announcement #11](#), issued on June 24, 2011, provides information regarding which educational programs are considered to be gainful employment programs. [Gainful Employment Announcement #12](#), issued July 8, 2011,

provides guidance on determining the gainful employment status and reporting requirements for degree programs where a student may, in addition to earning a degree, also receive a certificate.

Update on the *CHEA Initiative*

President Eaton called the board's attention to the *CHEA Initiative –The Fourth Year (2011-2012)*. The primary goal for 2012 is to develop recommendations for each of the eight issues identified during the past three years of work. The 2012 recommendations will be used by CHEA, working with institutions, programs and accreditors, to bring about desired change in accreditation and to develop a foundation for future policy positions.

2010-2011 Progress Report

President Judith Eaton reported on progress for the 2010-2011 organizational goals that addressed CHEA's three major function areas of government affairs, recognition and membership services.

**The next meeting of the CHEA
Board of Directors will take place
January 23, 2012 in Washington, DC.**

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