



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2017
WASHINGTON, DC**

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

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

Chair James L. Gaudino called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY17 third quarter financial report.
- Received an update on FY17 institutional membership.
- Approved a revised Reserve Fund Investment Policy, including establishment of an Emergency Reserve.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Recognition

The board of directors acted to:

- Take the matter of the recognition of the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS) under advisement.

Election of New Members of the CHEA Board of Directors

The board of directors elected the following individuals to serve on the CHEA board for 2017–2020:

- Orlando Taylor, Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Research, Fielding Graduate Institute
- Jean A. Wyld, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (Retired) and Professor Emeritus, Springfield College
- Bob Kerrey, Managing Director, Allen and Company*
- Ann E. Rondeau, President, College of DuPage*
- Paula M. Rooney, President, Dean College*

** Incumbent elected to serve a second three-year term.*

Election of 2017-2018 Board Officers

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

- Chair: James L. Gaudino, President, Central Washington University
- Vice Chair: Davide Maxwell, President Emeritus, Drake University
- Secretary: Elsa Núñez, President, Eastern Connecticut State University
- Treasurer: Tim Chandler, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Towson University
- Member-at-Large: Cynthia Jackson-Hammond, President, Central State University

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eaton presented and the board approved the 2017-2018 organizational goals and budget that address CHEA's major function areas of government affairs, recognition, membership services and international quality assurance.

Government Affairs Report

Vice President Jan Friis reported that the Administration has begun to hire staff for the Department of Education. The House Education Committee held a hearing on accreditation during the last week in April. Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), announced that the Accreditation Reform and Enhanced Accountability Act will be reintroduced. Senators Rubio (R-FL) and Bennet (D-CO) have reintroduced a bill that establishes a pilot program authorizing an alternative to accreditation and permits providers to enter into contracts with the U.S. Department of Education for Title IV funding. The Education Department last week began publicly posting online when colleges have run into serious trouble with their accreditor.

The next meeting of the CHEA Board of Directors will take place September 2017 in Washington, DC. The meeting will include a board of directors retreat. Specific dates and times will be forthcoming.