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

TREASURER’S REPORT

The board of directors:
- Received the FY07 fourth quarter financial report.
- Accepted the FY07 external audit as presented.
- Approved the transfer of remaining funds from the FY07 budget to the CHEA Reserve Fund.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Appointment of CHEA Board of Directors Committees

Chair Wiley announced the appointment of members to the following committees:

Committee on Directors
- Larry L. Earvin, Chair
- Scott S. Cowen
- N. Victor Goodman
- William Kirwan
- Nancy A. Marlin
- Gregory M. O’Brien

Reserve, Investment and Audit Committee
- Treasurer R. Judson Carlberg, Chair
- Gerald G. Garbcacz
- N. Victor Goodman
- Karen W. Morse

Membership Committee
- Mary Ann Swain, Chair
- George Gollin
- Gregory M. O’Brien
- Carolyn Williams
Change in Council for Higher Education Accreditation Bylaws

The board of directors approved changes to the CHEA Bylaws regarding regular attendance at CHEA board meetings, effective September 25, 2007.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Appointment to Committee on Recognition

The board of directors reappointed the following members to the CHEA Committee on Recognition for additional three-year terms (January 1, 2008 – December 2010):

- Estela R. Lopez, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Connecticut State University System Office
- Sheryl L. Moody, Executive Director, Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools
- David Werner, Chancellor Emeritus, Southern Illinois University

Report on the Tenth Anniversary Commission

President Judith Eaton reported on the work of the CHEA Tenth Anniversary Commission that held its final meeting on September 14, 2007. The commission was established by the CHEA board of directors to acknowledge and celebrate CHEA’s tenth anniversary year (1996-97). It served as a national forum for discussion of major accreditation issues and provided oversight for the forthcoming CHEA tenth anniversary publication, CHEA Report on Accreditation: Focus on the Future (working title), to be released in late 2007.

Report on 2006-2007 Organizational Goals

President Eaton highlighted a number of key activities during 2006–07, including the CHEA Tenth Anniversary Commission, work on accreditation issues in the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, activities related to the Commission on the Future of Higher Education and CHEA membership development efforts.

Government Affairs

Vice President for Government Affairs Jan Friis reported on recent activities related to federal policy and accreditation. With regard to the ongoing reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, the Senate passed its bill in July 2007 (S. 1642) and the House of Representatives has yet to introduce any legislation. The current Senate is more favorable for accreditation than prior bills, but concerns remain with regard to a number of provisions. CHEA is working with the House Committee on Education and Labor as it develops a bill. A date is not established, although there has been discussion of introduction in October or November, 2007. The current Higher Education Act expires on October 31, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

The next meeting of the CHEA Board of Directors will take place on January 28, 2008 in Washington, DC.