

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2008
WASHINGTON, DC

Summary of Major Actions and Discussion

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

Chair John D. Wiley called the meeting to order at 12:46 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY08 first and second quarter financial report.
- Approved the renovation, furnishings and equipment budget for the CHEA office.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Report on Executive Session

The board of directors approved the CHEA Committee on Recognition's recommendation to approve a change of scope for the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

Report on CHEA Specialized/National Advisory Panel

George Peterson, Executive Director of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology and chair of the CHEA Specialized/National Advisory Panel, reported on the panel's December 11 meeting. The panel recommends to the CHEA Board that a formal meeting be convened via CHEA to explore ways and means of creating a unified higher education position on the nature and role of voluntary accreditation and its proper relationship to federal authority.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tenth Anniversary Commission Report and Recommendation

President Judith Eaton provided a report of commission activities and its recommendation to establish an ongoing national forum for consideration of accreditation issues. The board of directors unanimously approved the recommendation.

The president also noted that the commission provided oversight of the forthcoming CHEA publication, *U.S. Accreditation and the Future of Quality Assurance*, to be published in spring 2008. President Eaton acknowledged and thanked board member Scott Cowen, chair of the commission, for his efforts during the commission's term.

Government Affairs

Vice President for Government Affairs Friis reported that the Committee on Education and Labor in the U.S. House of Representatives passed the "College Opportunity and Affordability Act" (H.R. 4137) reauthorizing the Higher Education Act (HEA) and that CHEA was able to significantly impact the accreditation section of the House bill prior to Committee vote. He noted that H.R. 4137 is scheduled for a House floor vote the week of February 4, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

**The next meeting of the CHEA
Board of Directors will take place
on May 5-6, 2008 in Washington, DC.**

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