

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting

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February 1, 1998 Phoenix, Arizona

Members Present: Chair Robert Glidden, Vice Chair Gordon Haaland, Treasurer Ira Lechner, Eleanor Baum, Barbara Brittingham, William DeLauder, Alfredo G. de los Santos Jr., Edward Donley, Zelema Harris, Dolores Sandoval, David K. Winter.

Members absent: John Casteen, Vera King Farris, Tom Jackson

Staff and consultants present: Judith Eaton, Gregory Fusco, Patrice Johnson, Martin Michaelson, Michael Nugent, Teddi Safman

Chair Robert Glidden called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

Investment Strategy

The board of trustees approved an investment strategy as prepared by the CHEA staff.

Nominating Committee for Board Elections

Consistent with CHEA Bylaws, the board of directors appointed a nominating committee to make recommendations of individuals to stand for election to the CHEA board of directors. William DeLauder, President, Delaware State University, will serve as chair of the nominating committee. The members are

Zelema Harris, President, Parkland College;
Ed Donley, Former Chairman, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.;
John Casteen, President, The University of Virginia;
Blenda Wilson, President, California State University-Northridge;
Brother Patrick Ellis, President, The Catholic University of America (DC);
Adriana Barrera, President, El Paso Community College;
R. Kirby Godsey, President, Mercer University (GA); and
Frances Horvath, Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, Saint Louis University.

CHEA Bylaws require that four members of the nominating committee be from the board of directors and five members be selected from recommendations of accrediting organizations and higher education associations.

Personnel Policies

Chair Glidden reported that the executive committee had reviewed and approved the CHEA personnel policies with minor changes. They are effective February 1, 1998.

Revision of CHEA Bylaws and Discussion of Board Meeting Schedules

The board acted to revise the CHEA Bylaws to establish each May meeting as the CHEA annual board meeting. The executive committee recommended that the board retain the existing meeting schedule of May, September, January-February, and July, but hold the July meeting as a board planning retreat rather than an action meeting. This schedule was approved by the board. Dates for these meetings are:

May

May 3-4, 1998

July Retreat	July 1998 (to be established)
September	September 27-28, 1998
January/February	January 31-February 1, 1999

Specialized Advisory Panel

President Eaton recommended that the board approve

- the creation of a Specialized/Professional/National Accrediting Association Advisory Panel and
- approve the appointment of six individuals to serve on the Advisory Panel from February 1, 1998 to December 31, 2000. The individuals were:

Kayem Dunn, Director, Foundation for Interior Design Education Research;
 Lawrence Detmer, Director, Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs;
 Olive Kimball, Executive Director, National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science;
 Bernard Fryshman, Executive Vice President, Association of Advance Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools;
 Carl C. Monk, Executive Vice President, Association of American Law Schools; and
 George Peterson, Executive Director, Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc.

The board approved the advisory panel and the appointment of the recommended panel members. The panel will advise the president and the board on matters related to specialized accreditation.

Government Relations Report

Mr. Gregory Fusco, CHEA's consultant on government affairs, reviewed three key areas where CHEA has been working in government and public policy issues: the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education and its recent report; the upcoming reauthorization of the Higher Education Act; and work with the Department of Education and its National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity. CHEA's current work is based on the legislative priorities established by the CHEA board of directors in Spring 1997 and is focused on building relationships with the USDE, Congress and the higher education associations, and monitoring timely issues such as distance education, outcomes, and the 1992 amendments to the Higher Education Act affecting accreditation.

Quality Assurance and Distance Education Conference

Vice president for accreditation services Teddi Safman briefed the board on the one-day Conference on Quality Assurance and Distance Learning held the day following the board meeting. The conference addressed issues of quality assurance, the importance of accreditation to distance education providers, and challenges and strategies for accreditors. CHEA intends to disseminate the conference findings.