

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 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 1:18 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The board of directors:

- Received the FY11 first and second quarter financial report.
- Received a report on CHEA institutional membership as of December 31, 2010.
- Approved a dues increase for institutional members effective July 1, 2011.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Action on Recommendations of the CHEA Committee on Recognition

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

- Grant eligibility to seek CHEA recognition to:
 - American Board of Funeral Service Education Committee on Accreditation
 - American Optometric Association Accreditation Council on Optometric Education
 - Council on Rehabilitation Education Commission on Standards and Accreditation
 - Society of American Foresters
 - Teacher Education Accreditation Council
 - American Library Association Committee on Accreditation
 - American Veterinary Medical Association
 - Forensic Science Education Program Accreditation Committee
 - Planning Accreditation Board

- Defer eligibility for:
 - Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System.
- Award CHEA recognition with a report in one year to:
 - Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools
 - International Fire Services Accreditation Congress Degree Assembly
- Award CHEA recognition to:
 - International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education.
- Approve a formal request for a change of recognized scope of accreditation and award CHEA recognition with a report in one year to:
 - American Council for Construction Education.

CHEA Bylaws

The board of director approved a change in the CHEA Bylaws.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Government Affairs Report

Vice President Jan Friis reported that on October 29, 2010, the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) published final regulations addressing program integrity and student aid programs. The regulations become effective on July 1, 2011. Mr. Friis provided information on regulations related to credit hour, state authorization, misrepresentation, incentive compensation and gainful employment.

Mr. Friis reported on activities of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI), including (1) the November 4-5, 2010 public meetings n Washington, DC on the remaining proposed regulations addressing gainful employment, (2) the teleconference meeting on November 8, 2010 during which Cameron Staples, attorney and former member of the Connecticut legislature, was elected chair and Art Rothkopf, former college president and former CHEA board member, was elected vice chair, (3) the first full meeting of the committee held on December 1-3, 2010 in Washington, DC and (4) the February 3-4, 2011 meeting of NACIQI to be held to explore the role and future of accreditation. NACIQI has been asked by the Secretary of Education to provide recommendations on accreditation and program integrity as part of preparation for the next reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. President Eaton has been asked to testify on the opening panel.

Vice President Friis indicated that the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee is likely to hold another hearing in February, 2011 to address for-profit higher education.

Mr. Friis also reported that, on October 14, 2010, CHEA hosted a meeting of approximately 30 recognized accreditors to discuss the most recent regulations issued by USDE, anticipating release of the final regulations at the end of February. The significant concerns on the part of accreditors were captured in a letter sent to USDE in November, resulting in CHEA and several accreditors meeting with Under Secretary Martha Kanter and Assistant

Secretary Eduardo Ochoa in January 2011. CHEA also met with Assistant Secretary Ochoa and USDE professional staff on October 25, 2010. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the new regulations, the new NACIQI and implementation and concerns the accreditors expressed to CHEA.

Update on the CHEA Initiative

President Eaton provided an update regarding the *CHEA Initiative*, noting that in November 2010 CHEA held its sixth national accreditation forum. This forum was the beginning of establishing an action agenda related to the next reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. She will be providing a status report on the *Initiative* at the annual conference. A seventh forum will be scheduled for Spring 2011.

The next meeting of the CHEA Board of Directors will take place May 2-3, 2011 in Washington, DC.



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