

# CHEA Board of Directors Meeting

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## September 25, 2001 Washington, DC

### Summary of Major Actions

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

**Chair John T. Casteen III called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.**

### Treasurer's Report

The board of directors approved the Treasurer's Report through June 30, 2001.

#### **FY01 Audit**

The board of directors accepted the FY01 audit as presented.

#### **Information**

CHEA has received a grant from The Ford Foundation of \$250,000 to support the CHEA international seminar, international database, and to assist with the establishment of an international commission.

### Chair's Report

#### **New Board Members**

The board of directors approved the appointments of Michael F. Adams, President, University of Georgia, and Richard Traina, Trustee and Treasurer, George I. Alden Trust and President Emeritus, Clark University, to the CHEA board of directors to serve from September 25, 2001 to June 30, 2004.

### President's Report

#### **Committee on Recognition**

The board of directors approved the reappointment of Lawrence "Mac" Detmer, Consultant, and Mary Ann Swain, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Binghamton University, SUNY, to the committee on recognition for the term January 2002 through December 2004.

The board of directors approved the appointment of Caesar Andrews, Editor, Gannett News Service; Patrick J. Ford, S.J., Chief Operating Officer, Chief of Provincial Staff and Provincial Assistant for Higher Education, Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus; and Malvin A. Williams, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Alcorn State University, to the committee on recognition for terms from January 2002 through December 2004.

#### **New Members for the CHEA Specialized/National Advisory Panel**

The board of directors approved the appointment of Milton R. Blood, Managing Director, AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business and Steven A. Egglund, Executive Director, Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS), to the specialized/national advisory panel for terms beginning January 2002 through December 2004.

#### **Establishment of CHEA International Commission**

The board of directors approved the establishment and initial membership of a CHEA international commission for a three year period from September 2001 through September 2004.

This commission is part of the international initiative funded by a Ford Foundation grant and will provide a forum for discussion of key issues such as quality assurance in distance learning, exploring the role of market forces and quality, balancing national and supra-national organizations, and enhancing equity for students and for nations.

### ***CHEA Principles for United States Accreditors Working Internationally: Accreditation of Non-United States Institutions and Programs***

The board of directors approved the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) *Principles for United States Accreditors Working Internationally: Accreditation of Non-United States Institutions and Programs*. These principles provide a framework for U.S. accreditors as they undertake reviews of non-U.S. operations in countries outside the US.

[\*Principles for United States Accreditors Working Internationally: Accreditation of Non-United States Institutions and Programs \(33KB; pdf\)\*](#)

### **Joint Statement on the Transfer and Award of Credit**

The board of directors approved revision of the *Joint Statement on the Transfer and Award of Credit* developed in 1978 by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), the American Council on Education (ACE), and the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC). These revisions address distance learning and incorporate the four criteria contained in the *CHEA Statement to the Community: Transfer and the Public Interest* (2000).

[\*Joint Statement on the Transfer and Award of Credit \(53KB; pdf\)\*](#)

### ***CHEA Statement on Good Practices and Shared Responsibility in the Creation and Application of Specialized Accreditation Standards.***

The board of directors approved the *Statement on Good Practices and Shared Responsibility in the Creation and Application of Specialized Accreditation Standards*.

[\*Statement on Good Practices and Shared Responsibility in the Creation and Application of Specialized Accreditation Standards. \(35KB; pdf\)\*](#)

This advisory statement is the work of the AAU/NASULGC Task Force on Accreditation, the CHEA Specialized/National Advisory Panel and the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA) and contains 10 principles that accreditors and institutions should observe in the development and application of specialized accreditation standards.

## **Committee on Recognition**

Vice President Judith Watkins reported that 48 accrediting organizations were deemed eligible to be considered for CHEA recognition by the CHEA board of directors between January 2000 and May 2001. One organization had its application denied, one has withdrawn, and one has been deferred. She also noted that 27 organizations have been recognized to date, one was deferred and one was remanded to the committee on recognition. There are 12 to 14 eligibility reviews and 21 recognition reviews scheduled for completion by for May 2002.

The next meeting of the Committee on Recognition is November 27, 2001 in Washington D.C.

## **Government Relations**

President Eaton reported that several major positions in the US Department of Education remain vacant, including the Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education and the Director of Accreditation and State Liaison Division.

## **Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions**

President Eaton, reporting for Sandra Elman, Chair of the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions (C-RAC), indicated that C-RAC is making significant progress on its grant from the Pew Charitable Trust to develop additional tools and capacity to address student learning outcomes and the relationship of evidence of student learning and accreditation and institutional judgments about quality. C-RAC is also forming a

committee to explore alternative models for addressing the accreditation of foreign-based institutions.

### **Specialized/National Accreditation Association Advisory Panel**

The next meeting of the specialized/national advisory panel is October 16, 2001 in Washington D.C.

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.*

*The next meeting of the CHEA Board of Directors is January 21, 2002, in San Francisco, California. The board meeting will be held in conjunction with the CHEA 2002 Annual Conference.*