

Highlights of the CBE Board Meeting

The CBE Board of Directors met in September 1998 in Washington, DC. Highlights of the meeting are as follows.

Status of Name-Change Proposal

The board agreed that if members vote to change the organization's name to Council of Science Editors, the change would take effect in January 2000. Ballots with candidates for 1999-2000 offices and a call for a vote on the name change will be mailed in January 1999.

Educational Programs

The board endorsed a proposal presented by Faith McLellan, on behalf of the Education Committee, for planning for

retreats, short courses, and workshops.

Annual Meeting

Washington, DC, has been selected as the site for the annual meeting in May 2001.

The board approved an increase in the annual-meeting exhibitor fee from \$500 to \$750 and instructed the Finance Committee to include \$4500 in the budget for annual-meeting speakers' expenses and honorariums.

Headquarters Administration

The Administrative Committee has surveyed committee chairs and the board about their experience with Drohan Management Group, the new association-management

firm hired to run CBE's headquarters. Outgoing committee chairs will be asked to complete another performance evaluation in June 1999. In addition, Kathy Hoskins, CBE's new executive director, was asked to give a preliminary evaluation of working with the CBE board and committee chairs and members. In the interim, the Administrative Committee will monitor performance. The board therefore voted to supersede its previous decision to undertake a formal request for proposal process in the next year regarding the operation of CBE Headquarters and delay any such action until it is deemed warranted.