

## *Highlights of the Board Meeting*

The CBE Board of Directors met by teleconference on 13 September 1999. The following are highlights of the meeting.

The budget submitted by the Finance Committee was approved unanimously.

Membership dues will not increase next year.

Sally Edwards will coordinate the new Web Editors Short Course, which will be offered for the first time in 2000.

Stacie Lemick has been asked to serve as vice chair of the Membership Committee.

The request for creating of the position of treasurer-elect will be sent to members for approval in mid-October. If approved, the

bylaws will be changed as necessary.

Election ballots will be mailed by mid-November, with a request for return by mid-January.

There will be no awards banquet at the annual meeting in 2000. Rather, two continental breakfasts have been added in the exhibit area, and awards will be presented at Monday's lunch.

The letter from CBE about the Kassirer separation from the New England Journal of Medicine has been submitted to the Journal of the American Medical Association for publication.

Seth Beckerman was appointed Web

editor, by unanimous vote. The Web editor's term will be 3 years.

The statement from the American Association for the Advancement of Science on developing practices and standards for electronic publishing in science will be put up on the CBE Web site for comment, with a disclaimer.

The board will next meet at the Crystal City Hyatt, near National Airport, possibly on 21-23 January.

Pat Huston has resigned as chair of the Administrative Committee and Monica Bradford has agreed to chair the committee.