

Highlights of the CSE Board Meeting

The CSE Board of Directors met on 9 May in conjunction with the CSE annual meeting in San Antonio. Highlights of the meeting follow.

1. Rebecca (Becky) Pope, the newest member of the CSE staff at Drohan Management Group, joined us for the first time.
2. The new membership directory has been mailed. Over 1000 members have renewed their memberships thus far.
3. About 400 attended the 2000 CSE annual meeting; 112 attended the four short courses this year: 20 each in the manuscript editors and managing editors courses, 33 in the journal editors course, and 39 in the new Web editors course.
4. There has been about a 20% increase in revenue from sponsors since 1999. The CSE Web site will link to new sponsors' sites and will maintain these links for a year. The vendors liked the continental breakfasts this year and felt that the traffic was good—these will be continued next year.
5. Editorial policies will continue to be put up on the Web site and published in *Science Editor*. On the Web site, the policies will be put up in PDF format so that they can be downloaded.
6. In fall 2000 an informal 2-hour session will be held at the University of California, Santa Cruz, with Drummond Rennie, Michael Callaham, and Susan Eastwood as coordinators to gather editors on the campus. This will be the first Editors Network Regional Task Force event. They will look for a volunteer to keep the group going informally and then, in 2001, perhaps offer the short course for journal editors on the campus of the University of California, San Francisco.
7. Frank Davidoff will be taking the recommendations of the Authorship Task Force to the May 2000 meeting of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors in Copenhagen. Next year's CSE annual meeting will include another retreat on authorship, as in 1999, and the stakeholders in the discussion will be invited to participate. The Office of Research Integrity has proposed cosponsoring this event with CSE.
8. The final audit will be completed soon, and a final budget, with notes, will be distributed to the board by Michael Held.
9. A task force containing at least one representative of a society publisher and one of a commercial publisher will be appointed to study the appropriate publisher for the next edition of *Scientific Style and Format*. The options are (1) continue to copublish with Cambridge, (2) self-publish, and (3) publish with another publishing house. This task force, chaired by Paul Bozuwa, will present its recommendations to Michael Held for evaluation.
10. The 2003 annual meeting will be in Pittsburgh.
11. Faith McLellan will work with the Sponsorship Committee, in collaboration with the board, to develop a policy on advertising (for example, in the membership directory, annual-meeting program, and *Science Editor*) and other commercial interests.
12. Barry Davis will use suggestions from board members and send the marketing request for proposals to several groups or individuals for consideration.
13. The 2001 annual meeting will focus on serving the user-reader. There will be no posters at the 2001 meeting. Ann Link and her committee will consider developing an optional evening out or a postmeeting activity in addition to the program.
14. Five *GuideLines* have been published and others are being considered, including (1) in-house style guides (Claudette Upton), (2) editing to grade level (Karen Popham), and (3) digital figures (Michael Held).
15. *Science Editor* is looking for new columnists because Sally Edwards and Lorraine Loviglio have "retired" from their columns. Barbara Gastel noted that she is also looking for a new editorial board member, preferably in the physical sciences, and an advertising manager.
16. Tad Parker announced the board liaisons for the coming year: Faith McLellan to Sponsorship, Michael Held to Publications, Blaire Mossman to Nominating, Monica Bradford to Membership, Cheryl Iverson to Education, Kay Niyo to Editorial Policy, Blaire Mossman to Awards and Honors, Tom Lang to Program (Annual Meeting), and Tad Parker to Administration.
17. The board will next meet by conference call on Monday, 18 September, from 11 AM to 2 PM EST.