

Highlights of the CSE Board Meeting

The CSE Board of Directors met by conference call on 9 November 2005. Highlights of the meeting follow.

1. The Board of Directors approved the proposed 2006 budget, which includes a 5% increase in member dues for 2006. The registration fee for the annual meeting and fees for short courses will not be changed.

2. In response to the success of the scholarship program, which enables members in underdeveloped countries to attend the CSE annual meeting, the Education Council has formalized the procedures for submitting and awarding scholarships, and the board approved the procedures.

3. The board also approved financial support for the AuthorAID project, as proposed by the CSE Task Force on

Science Journals, Poverty, and Human Development. AuthorAID is a proposed system that would match authors from the developing world with volunteer editors; the editors would serve as mentors and would do developmental editing on the authors' papers before submission with the intent of helping the authors' chances of having their papers accepted.