Richard Horton was installed on 22 May as president of the Council of Science Editors for the 2005-2006 term. Horton, a member since 1994, has been a speaker and moderator at CSE annual meetings and has contributed to Council retreats. He has served on the Annual Meeting Program Committee, the Editorial Policy Committee, and the Authorship Task Force. He is editor of The Lancet.

Ana Marusic, editor of the Croatian Medical Journal and past president of the World Association of Medical Editors (WAME), has been elected CSE vice president for 2005-2006. Marusic, who joined the Council in 1993, has been a session moderator at CSE annual meetings and has served on the Nominating Committee and the Annual Meeting Program Committee. She has been CSE representative to WAME since 2003.

Jessica Ancker, a scientific writing and biostatistics instructor and a PhD candidate in the Department of Biomedical Informatics, Columbia University, has been elected a director of CSE. A Council member since 1999 and a contributor to Science Editor, she has chaired CSE's Education Committee and Annual Meeting Program Committee and has been a speaker at annual meetings and retreats.

Monica M Bradford, executive editor of Science, has ascended from vice president to president-elect.

Diane Berneath Lang, assistant director of publications-editorial at the Radiological Society of North America, continues as secretary.

Stephen Prudhomme, director of scientific publishing, American Heart Association, continues as treasurer.

Frank Stumpf, president and chief operating officer of SPI Publisher Services, continues as treasurer-elect.

Diane Sullenberger, executive editor of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), and Margaret A Winker, deputy editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) and Web editor for the online editions of JAMA and the nine Archives Journals, continue as directors.

Faith McLellan, the North American senior editor of The Lancet, remains on the board as immediate past president.