Highlights of the CSE Board Meeting

The CSE Board of Directors met on 20 May 2008 in Vancouver, BC, Canada. Highlights of the meeting follow.

1. The Board agreed to move ahead with CSE’s strategic planning initiative, and the Executive Committee will meet in fall 2008 for further discussions.

2. Leadership training for CSE directors and committee chairs was re-established with a focus on educating new leaders in managing CSE’s finances for committee work and special projects.

3. The African Medical Journal Partnership Project was conceived by the Fogarty International Center and the National Library of Medicine. The program launched in 2003 with the aim of fostering a medical-journal capacity-building program in Africa. CSE serves as the administrative body for the project. The CSE Board voted to approve the continuing relationship with the African Medical Journal Partnership Project after changes were made to improve administrative procedures.

4. The Board was informed that the theme for the 2009 Annual Meeting will be “Show Me the Data: The Science of Publishing”. The meeting—2–5 May 2009 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania—will feature several practical sessions and will have a particular focus on research.

5. The Board voted to allocate $5,000 from CSE reserves to fund the administrative expenses for the global theme issue on climate change (planned for launch in May 2010).

6. The Board voted to dispense with the 3-year cycle of rotating the annual-meeting location among three cities, beginning in 2011.

7. Barbara Gastel, editor of Science Editor, noted that Ken Heideman is the new Solutions Corner editor, Caroline Simpson joins Leslie Neistadt as a new publication manager, and Bernard Appiah (a 2006 CSE International Scholar) will be an intern for the publication in 2008–2009.

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