

**7.** Tom Hehir, Director of the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, gave the opening presentation.

**8.** A panel of deans explored issues related to college development. The panel consisted of David Breneman, University of Virginia, Rod McDavis, University of Florida, Camilla Benbow, Vanderbilt University, and Carole Ames, Michigan State University.

**9.** Richard Kunkel and Jeff Gorrell from Auburn University and Liz Rothlein, from the University of Miami presented on Large Scale School Reform and Colleges of Education.

**10.** Karen Gallagher, University of Kansas, Jane Applegate, University of South Florida, Steve Bossert, Syracuse University, Allen Glenn, University of Washington, and John Oehler, Virginia Commonwealth University presented a panel discussion on Accreditation.

11. Several sessions were available during the afternoon of October 19th

- Meredith Gardner, of The Strategic Edge, Inc. presented a workshop, "Handling Difficult Relationships."
- The associate deans of the association met.
- The executive committee met briefly.

**12.** David Imig provided a contextual scan.

**13.** Business meeting: Twenty-seven members were present A. Task Force Reports:

- Accreditation: This task force will create "one pagers" on performance and standards-based education and assessment.
- Cultural Diversity: A report is still being prepared. Rodney Reed will be asked to attend the fall meeting to present the report.
- Technology: A website is being constructed with links to AACTE and the Holmes Partnership

B. The associate deans are planning to arrange breakfast and afternoon sessions.C. Elaine Jarchow cannot serve on the Executive Committee because of commitments in Saudi Arabia. President Oliver has appointed Harold Cheatham, Clemson University, to complete her term.

D. The forthcoming elections were described by Dean Oliver.

E. Next year's meeting will be in San Francisco. The preferred hotels are the St. Francis or the Marriott on the waterfront.

F. A Task Force on Accountability/Higher Education Report Card was established. Dean Marty Kaufman, Oregon State University, will chair.

G. A motion to accept the report on the Preparation of the Professoriate withdrawn. The membership decided to study the report, send suggestions to Dr. Yarger and consider again in the fall

H. A discussion of the purpose of the Association followed. A variety of positions were presented and actions suggested. These included:

 A greater connection with Washington, DC leadership/congressional staff to shape policy

- Rethinking the Association's stance on taking positions that AACTE cannot take
- Crafting resolution statements
- Use of resources to support an intern or lobbyist or media specialist to help liaison with congressional staff and represent the positions of the Association.
- Focusing on a few particular issues that highlight the uniqueness of this Association of doctoral degree granting institutions
- Providing extensive inservice for new and experienced deans in vital subject areas such as working with presidents and provosts, development of faculty, alternatives to university-based educator preparation (e.g., AT&T virtual academy), outcomes-based budgeting, or collegiate guarantees

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