

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**CAS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2006**  
**Marriott Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL**

**CAS ELECTION RESULTS**

The Board congratulated the winners of the 2006 CAS election: Chris Carlson – President Elect; and Brian Z. Brown, Charles A. Bryan, Mary D. Miller, and Joanne Spalla – Board Members-Elect. The Board also congratulated Executive Director Cynthia Ziegler on her appointment by the members to the Executive Council, as a result of the approval of proposed changes to the CAS Constitution and Bylaws on the 2006 ballot. A new Task Force will act over the next six months to identify candidates for potential appointment of non-CAS members to the Board, pursuant to the approved changes to the Constitution. The Board noted that the proposals to expand the rights of Associates were not adopted by the membership.

**2007 FY CAS BUDGET**

Consistent with the Board's interest in making important member service investments, the budget includes new educational spending initiatives such as funds for the development of more efficient and effective syllabus material and funds for the development of more robust continuing education opportunities. These initiatives amount to \$120,000 in FY 2007.

In addition, several new seminars are being offered in 2007, and the CAS is hosting the 2007 ERM Symposium and the 2007 international ASTIN Colloquium.

**INTERNATIONAL VISION**

The VP-International presented the draft International Vision as a work-in-progress for Board feedback. She stated that the CAS has raised its international profile significantly, and is actively speaking for General Insurance at the International Actuarial Association (IAA). Our relations with the other English-speaking societies around the world are currently very robust and cordial, and continue to evolve.

Many opportunities are currently presenting themselves in China and India. Mainland China is in great need of general insurance expertise, and would welcome involvement from the CAS, such as co-sponsoring seminars, providing copies of exam materials for universities, and other forms of co-operation. The Indian Insurance Institute has contacted the CAS about using our lower exams as part of a proposed actuarial technician certificate. The Taiwan actuarial society (AIROC) will begin using CAS and SOA exams exclusively in 2008, with the exception of one local regulatory exam.

**SOA IMAGE CAMPAIGN**

Representatives of the SOA outlined the public relations effort that the SOA has undertaken on behalf of the image of the actuarial profession. They emphasized the desire of the SOA to work jointly with the CAS and others on this project, and they would welcome both creative and financial assistance in the Campaign.

**CAS PRIZE AND AWARD AUDIT REPORT**

The Board resolved to rename the current CAS Loss Reserve Prize the Ronald Bornhuetter Loss Reserve Prize subject to receiving a \$50,000 endowment to fund the Prize from the CAS Trust, and to memorialize the Ronald Bornhuetter Loss Reserve Prize in the Yearbook.

## **CIA CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE JOINT RISK MANAGEMENT SECTION**

The Board endorsed a request from the Canadian Institute of Actuaries (CIA) to co-sponsor the Section with the CAS and SOA.

## **STATUS REPORTS – REPUTATION TASK FORCES**

Pat Teufel, the Chair of the CAS and Joint Task Forces for Enhancing the Reputation of Casualty Actuaries, discussed the results of a recent Survey of Opinion Writers, which was an initiative of the Joint Task Force that yielded an excellent response rate. The Board agreed that the summary report on the Survey should be made public through the CAS Web Site.

## **FCAS EDUCATION WHITE PAPER**

After discussion of the second draft of this White Paper, the Board resolved to expose it to the membership for comment, cautioning that it presents a framework for further development as opposed to a final plan. The public discussion of this White Paper will commence at the upcoming Annual Meeting.

## **DISCONTINUANCE OF ACAS CREDENTIAL**

The Board tabled discussion of this issue, at least until after reviewing the membership reaction to the FCAS Education White Paper.

It was agreed that some communication should be made with the membership regarding the status of the issue, and any such communication would reiterate the Board's September 2004 action on this subject indicating that if the ACAS Credential were discontinued the Board "...expected that the then-current ACAS's will either complete their remaining exams and become FCAS's, or remain ACAS's until they cease their membership in the CAS."

One issue associated with continuing to award the ACAS credential had been the fact that the Associateship exams do not meet the minimum standards for membership in the IAA. However, the currently pending movement of Financial Mathematics onto Part 3 may bring the ACAS syllabus into compliance. The CAS will therefore seek to enlist the support of the AAA in petitioning the IAA to recognize Associates, based on the revised syllabus.

## **ICA 2014 FUND**

In the interests of tempering the budget impact of hosting a world-class event, the Board decided to pre-fund some of the expenses of the International Congress of Actuaries, which will be hosted by the CAS in 2014. The Board resolved to establish an "ICA 2014 Fund," to be composed of \$12,500 from each CAS budget from fiscal year 2007 through 2014.

## **CAS JOURNAL NAME**

Joanne Spalla, VP-Marketing and Communications, summarized the Publication Implementation Task Force's long quest to name the new journal, which has now culminated in the selection: *Variance*, with the tagline *Advancing the Science of Risk*. The Board unanimously approved the new name, pending completion of a copyright search.

## **MOVING EXAM 2/FM TO CBT AND DISCUSSION OF EXAM 3**

The transition of Exam 1 to Computer-Based Testing has been very successful, with a more frequent exam offering, faster grading, and 98-99% of all exams now being taken in a computer-based environment. The

exam administrator is planning to add additional testing centers, to further improve the service to remote sites. The Board agreed to proceed with plans to transition Exam 2 to CBT by late 2008.