

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
SEPTEMBER 6, 1990

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. William J. Whitener, Chairman
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.
Mr. Tom Moore Craig
Mr. Fred L. Day
Mr. Robert C. Gallager
Mr. Kenneth E. Goad
Mr. Marvin C. Jones
Ms. Reba A. Kinon
Dr. Harry W. Miley, Jr.
Mr. Lewis Phillips
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Elaine Freeman
Mr. Palmer Freeman, Sr.
Mr. Roger Henderson
Dr. Raymond Ramage
Ms. Mildred R. Williams

STAFF

Mr. Todd E. Barnette
Dr. Jeffrey P. Bartkovich
Mr. Michael L. Brown
Ms. Sandra Carr
Dr. Robert A. Day
Dr. Jeanette A. Deas
Dr. Frank Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf
Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. Robert K. Poch
Mr. Jeff Richards
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Mr. John E. Smalls
Dr. Leonard P. Sternbach
Ms. Janet Stewart
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon Syrett
Dr. Aileen C. Trainer
Ms. Julia E. Wells

GUESTS

Ms. Melanie Barton
Mr. Les Boles
Mr. Shawn Crosby
Dr. Robert W. Denton
Col. Ralph Earhart
Mr. Stan R. Godshall
Ms. Anna Haigler
Dr. H. McLean Holderfield
Mr. Earle Holley
Ms. Sue Holmes
Ms. Sue Hooks
Dr. Sally Horner
Ms. Terri Jenkins
Dr. Vermelle Johnson
Ms. Cindy Konduras
Ms. Margaret Lamb
Mr. David Larson
Dr. Harry Lightsey
Dr. Albert M. Lyles
Dr. Peter T. Mitchell
Dr. Walton Owens
Dr. Blanche Premo-Hopkins
Dr. George M. Reeves
Mr. David P. Rinker
Dr. Monica Scott
Dr. Ellen Still
Dr. Edwin Wilde

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Mr. Patrick Villegas

For the record, notification of the meeting was made to the media as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

I. Report of Committee on Facilities

Mr. Craig, chairman of the Committee on Facilities, reported on the following matters:

A. Consideration of State Technical College System Policy and Procedure for Ranking Capital Improvement Bond Requests

Following passage of the 1988 Bond Bill, staffs of the Commission and the State Technical Board developed a process which would result in the ranking of technical college requests based upon a quantifiable methodology acceptable to the Commission. In theory, therefore, the Commission would not substantially deviate from the rankings as recommended by the State Technical Board. A copy of a policy and procedure designed to serve this purpose is attached as Exhibit A.

The Committee recommended approval of this policy and procedure for use this fall, noting that the Commission expects modifications to be made as a result of learning experiences during the current OPIP cycle.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Kinon), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

B. Consideration of Revision of Commission Policy and Procedure Manual for Permanent Improvements and Leases

The current version of the Commission's Policies and Procedures for the Review and Approval of Permanent Improvement and Lease Requests was published in November, 1987. Subsequently, numerous policies have been adopted by the Commission and State which either address topics not covered in that manual or supersede information contained therein. The manual has been revised incorporating those changes.

The Committee recommended that the revised manual be approved.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

C. Consideration of 1990 Building Quality Survey Update

The Building Quality Survey was presented for information and reflects the condition of facilities and needs for rehabilitation as reported by the institutions.

D. Consideration of Permanent Improvement Projects

1. Clemson University

a. Dormitory Buildings - Repair/Replace Stairwells - Clemson University is requesting permission to expend \$490,000 in Housing Improvement Funds in order to repair or replace all interior stairwells in five dormitory buildings. The Committee recommended that this request be approved.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Budget Increase, Littlejohn Coliseum - Reroof/Renovate - Clemson University is seeking to increase and revise the scope of a previously established project for reroofing of Littlejohn Coliseum. The University now asks to expand the scope of work to include renovations to offices, locker rooms, and restroom areas comprising approximately 3,820 gross square feet. Minor asbestos removal will also be necessary. The Committee recommended that this request be approved.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Miley), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Budget Increase, Memorial Stadium Stands - Clean/Seal Phase II - Clemson University is proposing to increase the budget of this previously established project by \$900,000, bringing the total project budget to \$1,500,000. The project will now entail the removal and replacement of concrete in the north stands which has been damaged by water infiltration. After the replacement, the stands will be cleaned and sealed to prevent future deterioration.

The Committee recommended that this requested increase be approved provided that the University supply the Commission with a letter certifying the availability of the private funds by November 1, 1990.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Miley), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

2. College of Charleston

a. 4 Glebe Street Purchase - The College of Charleston is proposing the acquisition of a 3,370 gross square foot home adjacent to the south side of the President's residence and surrounded by College property. The Committee recommended that this acquisition be approved.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Kinon), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

3. Medical University

a. Pediatric MRI Purchase and Installation - The Medical University is seeking the establishment of a project for \$1,900,000 to purchase a Pediatric Magnetic Resonance

Imaging machine and make necessary renovations to the 6th floor of the Children's Hospital in order to prepare for its housing. Structural enhancements will be required to approximately 500 gross square feet in order to bear the weight of the machine.

The Committee recommended that this request be approved providing that the University is successful in receiving the Certificate of Need for purchase of the MRI machine.

It was moved (Craig) and seconded (Jones) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

After further discussion, it was moved (Gallager), seconded (Turner), and voted that this motion be tabled until the Commission learns why the MRI cannot be put on the first floor to avoid the expense of structural enhancement on the sixth floor.

b. Pharmacology Renovation - The Medical University is seeking the establishment of a project for \$382,000 in appropriated State funds in order to renovate seven rooms used by the Pharmacology Department in the Basic Sciences Building. This area is in need of general maintenance as well as reconfiguration necessitated by the arrival of new faculty with specialized research space needs in the Pharmacology Department. The Committee recommended approval of this request as proposed.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Tolbert), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Basic Sciences Building, Steam Coil/Pump Chiller - The Medical University seeks approval to establish a project for \$510,000 in State Institution Bond Excess Debt Service funds to replace old steam coils throughout the Basic Science Building as well as replace an antiquated pump and chiller. The Committee recommended approval of this request.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Tolbert), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

4. University of South Carolina

a. Columbia, Asbestos Abatement - The University was the recent recipient of an approximately \$11 million settlement as a result of the first phase of litigation against asbestos manufacturers and suppliers. This total award consisted of \$8 million in cash and \$3 million in claims against an industry insurance provider. Of the \$8 million in hand, \$5.7 million remains after allowing for legal expenses and other costs. The University is seeking approval to expend \$3.363 million of the remaining \$5.7 million as follows: \$1.573 to complete additional portions of the SCE&G Complex (Swearingen project); \$850,000 for renovation of the Sumwalt Engineering Building; \$500,000 for

Capstone; and \$440,000 for the Aiken Administration Building. That would leave an uncommitted balance of \$2.337 million from the settlement.

The Committee recommended approval of the allocation of the settlement money to the Capstone, Aiken Administration, and Sumwalt projects as the University proposes. The Committee further recommended the University be permitted to make temporary use of the \$1.573 million asbestos settlement funds to supplant private pledges received for the work proposed in the SCE&G complex provided: 1) A formal binding agreement is executed among the Commission, University, and Foundation that all funds received as pledges to the Swearingen project be used to replenish the University's asbestos trust account up to the \$1.573 million. This repayment is to be made prior to the allocation of pledges received for any other purpose. 2) This proposal is not represented to any other party as having the approval of the Commission until such time as the agreement is developed among the Commission, University, and Foundation and approved by formal action of the Commission.

In answer to a question by Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Sheheen stated that the Commission staff will ask the Attorney General about the legality of the use of the settlement money for asbestos abatement.

It was moved (Craig), seconded (Miley), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

II. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

Mr. Jones, chairman of the Committee on Business and Finance, reported on the following matters:

A. Report of Committee on Business and Finance - Consideration of Recommendations Concerning 1991-92 Appropriation Requests of the Public Colleges and Universities and the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education

The Citadel. The Committee recommended \$15,076,299, including \$682,491 in Unique Costs. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Phillips), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

S. C. State College. The Committee recommended \$21,501,518, including \$1,114,304 in Unique Costs. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallagher), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Winthrop College. The Committee recommended \$22,650,855, including \$470,958 in Unique Costs. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallagher), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

College of Charleston. The Committee recommended \$23,676,389, including \$1,137,137 in Unique Costs and \$50,747 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Francis Marion. The Committee recommended \$14,342,937, including \$290,118 in Unique Costs. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Lander College. The Committee recommended \$9,301,610, including \$120,860 for Approved Leases.

USC-Aiken. The Committee recommended \$9,033,732. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Coastal. The Committee recommended \$12,518,507, including \$15,000 in Unique Costs and \$38,920 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Spartanburg. The Committee recommended \$11,423,937 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Beaufort. The Committee recommended \$2,037,238 for Continuing Operations, including \$78,831 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Kinson), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Lancaster. The Committee recommended \$2,922,967 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Salkehatchie. The Committee recommended \$2,123,308 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Sumter. The Committee recommended \$4,005,808 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Turner), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Union. The Committee recommended \$1,108,695 for Continuing Operations, including \$6,000 Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Turner), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-School of Medicine. The Committee recommended \$23,299,151 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Columbia. The Committee recommended \$145,217,580, including \$2,448,478 in Unique Costs and \$312,544 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Clemson University. The Committee recommended \$96,764,760, including \$951,604 in Unique Costs and \$1,363,213 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Medical University - Academic Division. The Committee recommended \$92,975,269, including \$2,494,884 in Unique Costs and \$28,000 for Approved Leases. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Turner), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Medical University - AHEC. The Committee recommended \$16,983,983, plus \$744,175 for Rural Physician Recruitment. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. It was also voted that the amount for the RPR be placed below the line and not be included with the formula items.

Medical University - Medical Center. The Committee recommended \$22,038,313 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

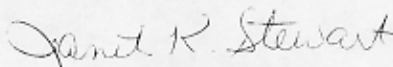
SETCE. The Committee recommended \$125,598,090 for Continuing Operations. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Gallager), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

III. Report of the Commissioner

Mr. Sheheen stated that the budget hearing for higher education will be on Friday, September 7, beginning at 9:00 a.m. He noted that the South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Network will meet October 25-27 in Myrtle Beach.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet K. Stewart
Recording Secretary