

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

August 27-28, 1984

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Fred R. Sheheen, Chairman
Mr. George L. Brightharp
Dr. Willa J. DeWitt
Mr. W. Jerry Fedder
Mr. Robert C. Gallager
Mr. Roosevelt Gilliam, Jr. (8/27)
Mr. Robert E. Graham
Mr. Harold W. Jacobs
Dr. Alba M. Lewis
Mr. David B. Smith
Mr. Mortimer F. Smith (8/27)
Mrs. Nanette H. Smyth
Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.
Dr. Robert F. Williams
Dr. Louis D. Wright, Jr. (8/28)
Mr. Robert L. Wynn III

GUESTS

Dr. Joanne Anderson
Dr. Bill L. Atchley (8/28)
Mr. P. Henderson Barnette (8/27)
Dr. John M. Bevan
Dr. Francis T. Borkowski
Ms. Sarah Brown (8/27)
Dr. Carl A. Carpenter (8/28)
Dr. Edward M. Collins, Jr. (8/27)
Dr. Robert W. Denton (8/28)
Mr. G. William Dudley, Jr. (8/27)
Dr. Ronald G. Eaglin (8/28)
Dr. James B. Edwards (8/28)
Mr. Steve Elliott
Ms. Demi Fernandez
Mr. Ross Fleming (8/27)
Mr. N. Casey Frederick (8/27)
Mr. Michael C. Genau (8/28)
Mr. Daryl Gibson (8/28)
Mr. Wade Green (8/28)
Maj. Gen. James A. Grimsley, Jr. (8/27)
Mr. Philip E. Hayes (8/27)

Dr. H. M. Holderfield (8/27)
Mr. Earle Holley (8/28)
Dr. Larry A. Jackson (8/27)
Mr. Harold A. Jenkins (8/28)
Dr. Arthur Justice (8/27)
Lt. Col. Benjamin W. Lagare (8/27)
Dr. Benjamin F. Lawson (8/28)
Dr. Alton T. Loftis
Col. C. G. Lyons (8/27)
Mr. J. P. McGee (8/28)
Dr. Carolyn McIver
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Dr. W. David Maxwell (8/28)
Dr. M. Maceo Nance, Jr. (8/28)
Mr. John Nason
Dr. W. Marcus Newberry, Jr. (8/28)
Mr. Don Peterson (8/27)
Ms. Missy Price (8/28)
Mr. Vernon G. Rivers (8/28)
Mr. Wyman D. Shealy (8/27)
Mr. Wilbur B. Shuler (8/28)
Dr. Michael Smith (8/28)
Dr. Thomas C. Stanton (8/28)
Mr. William E. Troublefield (8/27)
Dr. Harold P. Tuttle, Jr. (8/28)
Mr. J. Floyd Tyler (8/27)
Ms. Sandy Underwood (8/28)
Mr. Marion E. Woodbury (8/28)

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Ms. Camille Bradford
Mr. Walker Campbell
Ms. Edith Hall
Mr. John Norton
Mr. Broderick Samuel
Mr. Steve Smith (8/28)
Ms. Clisby Williams

STAFF

Dr. Howard R. Boozer
 Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.
 Ms. Alvena M. Chapman
 Ms. Elizabeth Drakeford
 Dr. Frank E. Kinard
 Mr. Alan S. Krech

Mr. Cannon R. Mayes
 Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf
 Dr. James A. Paschal
 Dr. John C. Sutusky
 Ms. Gaylon Syrett

I. Approval of Minutes Meeting of July 12, 1984

Mr. Sheheen suggested that the minutes be amended (Section IV-d, p. 868) to include the revised recommendations contained in the Cost Study of Two-year Education, approved by the Commission on July 12. It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the minutes as amended be adopted.

Mr. Sheheen welcomed President Lader of Winthrop College as the Chairman of the Council of President of Public Colleges and Universities for 1984-85.

II. Consideration of Activation of of the "Teacher Improvement Program"

Mr. Sheheen reported that in Fall 1984 the Budget and Control Board inserted a special item of \$500,000 in the Commission's appropriation request for the year beginning July 1, 1984, for "Teacher Improvement." The proviso accompanying this item, which subsequently was reduced to \$250,000 in the House and retained in the Bill by the Senate, would enable the Commission to make competitive grants to public colleges and universities to improve the curricula of teacher training programs.

In February 1984 the Commission agreed to provide from this item \$225,000 as a state match for a proposal submitted to the National Science Foundation (NSF) by USC-Columbia, Clemson University, and the Charleston Higher Education Consortium if the proposal were approved and funded by NSF, and provided that other public institutions in the State were involved.

In May 1984 guidelines for proposals to be submitted for consideration under the "Teacher Improvement Program" were approved by the Commission and distributed to all institutions. On June 22, however, the free conference committee deleted this item in its entirety from the Appropriation Bill. The Commission agreed on July 12 to seek restoration of these funds by the Budget and Control Board. At its meeting on July 24, the Board did not provide these funds but left the matter open for a later request for supplemental funding if necessary.

Meanwhile, in late June or early July, President Lader of Winthrop College sought Mr. Sheheen's advice concerning how Winthrop might share with other institutions some of its special appropriation of \$750,000 for a "Program of Effective Teaching." The proviso accompanying that item requires that Winthrop ". . . assist with the establishment of additional Programs for Effective Teaching in other regions of the State . . ." In response to this request, Mr. Sheheen and Dr. Kinard met with representatives of Winthrop on July 12.

On July 24, Dr. James H. Rex, Dean of the School of Education at Winthrop, wrote on behalf of President Lader to Mr. Sheheen accepting the suggestion made by this group (Exhibit A). Mr. Sheheen responded favorably on July 26, subject to Commission approval of this procedure at its meeting on August 27. It was moved (Fedder), seconded (Smyth), and voted that the agreement be adopted. Mr. Sheheen expressed appreciation to Winthrop College for its spirit of cooperation.

III. Report of Committee on Facilities

Mr. Graham, Chairman of the Committee on Facilities, reported on the following matters:

a. Ratification of Mail Ballot Concerning Lease, College of Charleston. The College of Charleston has requested approval of a lease, with option to purchase, of the four-story office building currently occupied by Southern Bell on Liberty Street adjacent to the campus. The College has indicated an urgent need for these facilities in order to provide computer science services, classrooms, and laboratory space, as well as academic support space.

At its meeting on August 9, 1984, the Committee on Facilities endorsed the lease of the facility but did not take action on the request for an option to purchase since the option would not take effect for approximately three years and will be brought before the Commission prior to that time. The Committee also recommended that a survey ballot be mailed to the full Commission requesting approval of the project so that the College might proceed with the lease immediately in order to assure that Southern Bell will vacate the facility prior to January 1985.

The project was approved by the Commission by mail ballot, and the Committee recommends that this action be ratified. It was moved (Graham), seconded (M. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Consideration of Lease, University of South Carolina. Mr. Graham reported tht USC proposes to lease space from the Holiday Inn City Center on Assembly Street in Columbia for its Division of Continuing Education Program and the Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism. The Inn has offered to provide approximately 2,500 square feet of space for conference center activities for approximately \$6,500 per year, and has also agreed to provide all of the space in the area known as "Scarlett's" at no additional charge. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Graham), seconded (M. Smith), and voted that the recommendation be adopted.

c. Consideration of Permanent Improvement Requests -- Greenville, Horry-Georgetown, and Sumter Technical Colleges. The Committee recommends that these requests be deferred until a later date, after it has made visits to these three campuses. It was moved (Graham), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

IV. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

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

a. Consideration of 1984-85 Budget of the Charleston Higher Education Consortium. Mr. Gallagher reported that the Committee recommends approval of the proposed 1984-85 budget submitted by the Charleston Higher Education Consortium in the amount of \$214,575 (including \$140,130 for Personal Service and \$39,087 for Other Operating Expenses). It was moved (Gallagher), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. The budget, as adopted, is attached as Exhibit B.

b. Report on Allocation of 1984-85 Appropriated Funds to the Public Colleges and Universities. Mr. Gallagher reported on the allocation of 1984-85 appropriations to the colleges and universities. A summary of the report is attached as Exhibit C.

V. Presentation of 1985-86 Appropriation Requests by the South Carolina Public Colleges and Universities and SBTCE

Mr. Sheheen welcomed the institutional representatives who were scheduled to present their 1985-86 appropriation requests to the Commission on August 27 and 28. A summary of the requests is attached as Exhibit D.

The Committee on Business and Finance will meet following the meeting of the Commission to consider the appropriation requests of the colleges and universities and SBTCE. The Commission will meet at 10:30 a.m. on September 6, 1984, to adopt final recommendations to be presented at 11:00 a.m. on September 18 to the Budget and Control Board, the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee.

VI. Report of the Executive Director

Dr. Boozer reported that he attended a meeting of the State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO) in St. Paul, Minnesota, on July 29-August 1. Dr. Sutusky represented the Commission at a meeting of SHEEO Academic Officers in Albany, New York on August 12-15.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on August 28.

Respectfully submitted,


Gaylon Syrett
Recording Secretary