

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
1333 Main Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

Minutes of the Meeting

June 5, 2003
10:30 a.m.

Commission Members Present

Mr. Dalton Floyd, Chairman
Ms. Rosemary Byerly
Mr. Larry Durham
Dr. Vermelle Johnson
Mr. James Konduros
Mr. Miles Loadholt
Ms. DeLoris Oliver
Gen. Tom Olsen
Mr. Daniel Ravenel

Commission Members Absent

Ms. Dianne Chinnes
Ms. Sue Cole
Dr. John Griffith
Mr. Carl Solomon
Dr. Roger Stevenson

Staff Present

Mr. Michael Brown
Ms. Camille Brown
Mr. Tony Brown
Ms. Lorinda Copeland
Ms. Saundra Carr
Ms. Renea Eshleman
Mr. Charlie FitzSimons
Ms. Monica Goodwin
Ms. Betsy Gunter
Ms. Yolanda Hudson
Ms. Marsha Jordan
Mr. Alan Krech
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Mr. Joe Pearman
Mr. Jeff Richards
Ms. Laverne Sanders
Mr. John Smalls
Ms. Jan Stewart
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

Guests

Dr. Ann Bowles
Mr. Bill Bragdon
Mr. Jim Byrd
Ms. Kay Coleman
Dr. Anthony Coyne
Ms. Suzie Edwards
Mr. David Fleming
Mr. Stan Godshall
Ms. Denise Hammon
Dr. Gary Hansen
Mr. John Henson
Dr. Tom Higerd
Dr. Sally Horner
Dr. Andrew Hugine
Dr. David Hunter
Ms. Jennifer Jones-Garry
Ms. Karen Jones
Ms. Dorcas Kitchings
Dr. Carol Lancaster
Dr. Harry Matthews
Mr. Gary McCombs
Col. Spike Metts
Mr. Bob Mellon
Ms. Jackie Olsen
Mr. Charlie Parker
Ms. Rose Pellatt
Ms. Susan Prior
Ms. Mary Beth Schwartz
Dr. Charles Shawver
Dr. Jackie Skubal
Ms. Christine Smalls
Ms. Michelle Smith
Ms. Anna Strange
Dr. Rita Teal
Mr. Jonathan Trail
Dr. Aileen Trainer
Ms. Catherine Watt
Mr. Rick Wells

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

The Commission on Higher Education met on June 5, 2003, at 10:30 a.m. in the conference room at Commission on Higher Education offices.

I. Introductions

Mr. Alan Krech introduced the guests attending the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Floyd asked for a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. That **motion** was made by Mr. Ravenel, **seconded** by Gen. Olsen and, without discussion, unanimously **carried**.

Chairman's Report

- ◆ **House Bill 3899**, otherwise called the break away bill, has now been rolled into Bill 560 as amended by the Senate. As of June 5, all references in the bill to governance issues were deleted. The regulatory relief issues, which we worked on with the colleges, remain in the bill. These issues were read by Chairman Floyd and are listed, along with the new items added on June 4, calling for approval of USC Sumter as a four-year institution and approval for Trident Technical College in Charleston to offer the four-year Culinary Arts program. A Senator from Charleston was holding the floor yesterday and today relative to this bill due to some controversy over the item providing for the issuance of state bonds for economic development infrastructure. If this passes the Senate, it must go to the House and then to the Governor for signing.
- ◆ **House Bill 3699**, the Board of Regents Bill establishes a 15-member Board of Regents. This bill was assigned to the House Education Committee (Harry Stille's Committee) and remains there. There have been two hearings with no action.
- ◆ The National Center for Higher Education Management Systems and the Association of Governing Boards (Center for Public Policy) are submitting a joint proposal for the Commission-approved study of higher education issues in South Carolina. If awarded, the study would begin in June with a final report in December, before the next legislative session. The CHE Study Committee (composed of Jim Konduros, Dan Ravenel and myself) is to meet with Aims McGinnis and Rich Novak on Thursday, June 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the airport to finalize the details of the study to report to the Commission. The study will begin with a needs assessment policy audit, which is really a study of CHE. The study will produce recommendations relative to a strategic theme for higher education in South Carolina and a system design for postsecondary education coordination and governance which will balance the needs of the state and its citizens with those of the colleges and universities.
- ◆ Dr. Andrew Hugine, the ninth president of South Carolina State University (effective July 1) was introduced and briefly outlined the strategic plan for South Carolina State University. A copy of SCSU's new brochure is **Attachment II**. Dr. Hugine has been

with SC State for 29 years as a professor in the Math Department and since July 2002 has been Executive Vice President.

- ◆ David Fleming of Clemson University was recognized as he is retiring in a couple of weeks.

3. Committee Reports

3.01 Report of the Executive Committee (No Report)

3.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing (No Report)

3.03 Report of the Committee on Student Services - Ms. Deloris Oliver

A. Consideration of Proposed FY 2003-2004 Administrative Budget: SC Student Loan Corporation

In the absence of Sue Cole, Chair of the Committee, Ms. DeLoris Oliver presented the report. As is stated in the material sent to you prior to the meeting, the CHE is authorized by the General Assembly to establish regulations to govern the Teachers Loan Program and the Student Loan Corporation as administrator. The summary and details of the proposed FY 2003-2004 operating budget is **Attachment III**. On behalf of the Committee on Student Services, a **motion** was made (Oliver), **seconded** (Durham) and **carried** that the proposed recommendations from the Student Loan Corporation be approved as presented. This represents an increase in the budget request of \$7,200 over last year's request.

3.04 Report of Committee on Finance and Facilities - Ms. Rosemary Byerly

A. Approval of Capitol Projects

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| 1. Clemson | Adv. Materials Research Lab \$ | 974,000 | -increase |
| 2. MUSC | | | |
| a) High Voltage Substation Upgrade | | 8,500,000 | -establish |
| b) Phase 1 Relocation Project | | 12,500,000 | -establish |
| c) Thurmond/Gazes Chiller Replace. | | 3,500,000 | -increase/ revise scope |
| 3. Coastal Carolina | Litchfield Lease Increase | 110,000 | -increase |

Ms. Byerly reviewed the above projects as they were presented in the materials mailed prior to the meeting. The full description of those projects and recommendations are in

ATT IV. On behalf of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, a **motion** (Byerly) was made, **seconded** (Ravenel) and **carried** to approve these projects as submitted.

3.05 Report of Committee on Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding

A. Consideration of Revised Institutional Mission Statements

1. The Citadel
2. Piedmont Technical College
3. Spartanburg Technical College

Gen. Olsen explained that the revised mission statements presented have been reviewed by the staff. He asked Ms. Wahl of the Planning, Assessment & Performance Funding Division to explain the process. Those revised mission statements are presented in **Attachment V**. On behalf of the Committee on Planning, Assessment & Performance Funding, a **motion** (Olsen) was made, **seconded** (Oliver) and **carried** to approve the revised mission statements as presented.

B. Consideration of Performance Funding Ratings and Appeals for 2002-03 (Year 7) to Impact Fiscal Year 2003-04 Allocations

Ms. Wahl gave an overview of the process used for Performance Funding Ratings as a review. A copy of that presentation is **Attachment VI**. The summary of ratings is **Attachment VII**. This is year seven (7) of the process. On behalf of the Committee on Planning, Assessment & Performance Funding, a **motion** (Olsen) was made, **seconded** (Ravenel) and **carried** to approve the ratings as presented in the summary (ATT VII).

4. Report of the Interim Executive Director

◆ Schedule for Institutions' Budget Appropriation Presentations

The state higher education institutions are asked to bring their budget request presentations for FY 2003-04 to the Commission in August. These presentations are intended as information for the commissioners and to give the institutions the opportunity to present their requests. These presentations are scheduled for Monday, August 25, beginning at 12:45 p.m. and Tuesday, August 26 beginning at 9:00 a.m. These schedules (**Attachment VIII**) were distributed today and will be sent to the presidents of the institutions in the next two weeks in order to afford them as much time as possible to prepare.

- ◆ Legislative Update – Budgets: Funds appropriated to the Commission for scholarship administration was cut from \$500,000 to \$100,000.
- ◆ Copies of the State Audit report were distributed to Commissioners

Mr. Smalls reviewed the report and the agency's response to it and that report is **Attachment IX**. Mr. Smalls indicated that, while there were some exceptions with regard to the GEAR UP grant, they were being taken care of properly.

5. Other Business

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Gunter

Recording Secretary

Attachments I-IX

*Attachments are not included in this mailing, but will be filed with the permanent record of these minutes and are available for review upon request.