

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

January 7, 1999
10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. R. Austin Gilbert, Jr.,
Chairman
Ms. Rosemary H. Byerly
Ms. Dianne Chinnes
Ms. Susan Cole
Mr. Tim Dangerfield
Mr. Dalton B. Floyd, Jr.
Mr. Frank Gilbert
Mr. Winfred S. Greene
Mr. Lawrence Gressette, Jr.
Dr. Harry Lightsey, Jr.
Gen. Thomas R. Olsen
Mr. Bill Stern

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Joab M. Lesesne, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Rayburn Barton
Ms. Joann Biga
Ms. Camille Brown
Mr. Michael Brown
Ms. Julie Carullo
Ms. Lorinda Copeland
Mr. Dan Douglas
Ms. Renea Eshleman

Mr. Charlie FitzSimons
Ms. Betsy Gunter
Dr. Nancy Healy-Williams
Ms. Sherry Hubbard
Ms. Yolanda Hudson
Dr. Lynn Kelley
Mr. John Krause
Mr. Alan Krech
Dr. David Loope
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Ms. Isolene Montgomery
Dr. Gail Morrison
Dr. Mike Raley
Mr. John Smalls
Dr. Mike Smith
Ms. Tobi Swartz
Dr. Aileen Trainer
Ms. Julia Wells
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

GUESTS

Mr. Arthur Bjontegard
Mr. Don Campbell
Mr. Douglas Carlisle
Mr. Tom Covar
Ms. Chris Crumbo
Ms. Char Davis

Ms. Carolyn Donges
Mr. Sam Drew
Mr. David Fleming
Dr. Susan Graham
Ms. Gwen Harris
Mr. Don Herriott
Dr. Joe Heyward
Dr. Jim Hudgins
Ms. Karen Jones
Mr. Thornton Kirby
Ms. Star Kepner
Mr. Russell Long
Dr. Harry G. Matthews
Mr. Gary McCombs
Dr. Ann McNutt
Mr. Bob Mellon
Col. Spike Metts
Ms. Faye Pendarvis
Mr. Oscar Priolcau
Mr. Bill Schenck
Ms. Laura Shealy
Ms. Lindy Smith
Dr. Dewitt Stone
Dr. John Sutusky
Dr. Rita Teal
Dr. Lovely Ulmer-Sottong
Dr. Marcia Welsh
Dr. Carolyn West
Dr. James C. Williamson
Mr. Larry Wilson

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Gilbert, who then asked Mr. Alan Krech to proceed with the introductions.

1. Introductions

Guests were introduced and welcomed to the Commission meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Barton requested that **Item 3.01** be corrected. The hearing on the Academic Endowment Incentive Act was conducted appropriately last month, but a motion either was not made or not recorded to approve the regulations. For the minutes of the last meeting, a **motion** (Floyd) was made, **seconded** (Chinnes) and **carried** to adopt the regulations for the Academic Endowment Incentive Act of 1977.

The minutes were approved with the above amendment.

3. Committee Reports

3.01 Report of the Executive Committee **Chairman Austin Gilbert**

No Report

3.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing **Mr. Winfred Greene**

No Report

3.03 Report of the Committee on Access, Equity & Student Services **Mr. Frank Gilbert**

A. Proposed Regulations for the Legislative Incentive for Future Excellence (LIFE) Scholarship Program

An amended copy of 303.A was distributed for consideration. Dr. Woodfaulk summarized for the Commission the Regulations for the LIFE Scholarship and explained the differences in what was mailed out versus what had been amended. A **motion** (F. Gilbert) was made, **seconded** (Byerly) and, after discussion regarding the information getting to high school guidance counselors and assurance that this was being accomplished, the motion was **carried** to approve the proposed amended regulations for the LIFE Scholarship Program for submission to the General Assembly during the 1999 legislative session (**Attachment I**).

B. Proposed Regulations for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program

A **motion** (F. Gilbert) was made, **seconded** (Chinnes) and **carried** to approve the proposed regulations (**Attachment II**) for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program.

3.04 Committee on Finance and Facilities **Ms. Rosemary Byerly**
No Report

3.05 Report of Committee on Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding **Mr. D. Floyd**

Consideration of the *P's & Q's* Report. A **motion** (Floyd) was made, **seconded** (Greene) and **carried** to approve the draft document as distributed. A correction sheet was distributed and is **Attachment III** to these minutes.

Committee Chairman Floyd presented for information the assurance that, while discussion sessions on staff recommendations for Performance Funding Revisions have been rescheduled, the Committee would bring definite staff recommendations before the Commission after February 17, which is the scheduled meeting of the Committee for discussion. This report will be presented at the March Commission meeting. The Conceptual Framework paper was distributed for information and is available on the Web Site.

4. Report of the Executive Director **Rayburn Barton**

No Report

5. Presentation by Mr. Larry Wilson and Mr. Don Herriott of the Business Advisory Council

A handout of the Council's Recommendations is **Attachment IV**.

Chairman Gilbert outlined a proposed timetable to move forward in response to this report. After discussion of this timetable, it was decided to move solicitation of nominees for the Task Force and the report of the Implementation Task Force forward by one month. **Attachment V** is the timetable as it was revised January 11, (since the date of this meeting). It is to be referred to the Executive Committee, who will meet prior to the February Commission meeting, and bring their recommendations to the full Commission at the February Commission meeting.

There was discussion of appointing a Task Force to make recommendations for implementation.

Dr. Lightsey expressed concern with regard to the language used with reference to the appointment of the task force to study the recommendations of the Business Advisory Council. He pointed out that we need to be very careful not to form yet another independent, decision-making committee; that we not bypass the colleges and universities and that we share all available information with regard to these recommendations with the Council of Presidents, providing them the opportunity for input in this process and the

Commission hearing their concerns. Dr. Lightsey summarized by saying he had no problem with the structure of the Task Force as long as: (1) we're not delegating too much, (2) we don't bypass the institutions in trying to move too swiftly.

It was decided that this matter will be further explored after the report from the Executive Committee.

It was agreed by consensus that the report be referred to the Council of Presidents and that the taking of names and appointment of the Task Force be moved forward by one month, as reflected in **Attachment V**. Mr. Gilbert then expressed the Commission's appreciation for the work done by the Business Advisory Council and the fact that the Commission looks forward to working with them toward implementation of whatever recommendations the Commission votes to adopt.

For the record: The correction of Mr. Herriott's name is recorded both in the minutes and in lists and reports of the Business Advisory Council.

6. Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Betsy R. Gunter
Recording Secretary

Attachments I-V