

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

November 1, 1973
10:30 a. m. - 1:00 p. m.

PRESENT:

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mr. John K. Cauthen
Mr. Hugh M. Chapman
Dr. Marianna W. Davis
Mr. William H. Grier
Colonel J. M. J. Holliday
Mr. Gedney M. Howe, Jr.
Mr. F. Mitchell Johnson
Mr. T. Eston Marchant
Mr. Alex M. Quattlebaum
Mr. Y. W. Scarborough, Jr.
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Dr. R. Cathcart Smith, Chairman
Mr. I. P. Stanback
Mr. Othniel H. Wienges, Jr.

GUESTS

General J. W. Duckett
President Larry S. Jackson
Mr. Frank Logan
Mr. Marvin Lynch
Dr. Neill W. Macaulay
Mr. Kenneth R. Manning
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Mr. John McMaster
Dr. Charles E. Palmer
Mr. Wyman D. Shealy
President Walter D. Smith
President Theodore S. Stern

STAFF

Dr. Howard R. Boozer
Mr. T. Scott Derrick
Mr. William C. Jennings
Dr. Frank E. Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Mr. James R. Michael

I. Approval of Minutes of October 9, 1973, Meeting of the Commission on Higher Education

A motion was made (Holliday) and seconded (Chapman) and unanimously adopted that the minutes of the October 9, 1973, meeting of the Commission on Higher Education be approved.

II. Presentation of Tray to Dr. Neill W. Macaulay

Chairman Smith presented a silver tray from the Commission on Higher Education to Dr. Neill W. Macaulay, who has recently resigned as Contract Administrator and Secretary to the South Carolina Regional Education Board, in recognition and appreciation

of his sixteen years of volunteer service in administering the SREB student aid program in South Carolina. Upon presentation of the tray Dr. Macaulay received a standing ovation from the Commission.

III. Appointment of Dr. Boozer to Education Commission of the States

Chairman Smith announced that Governor West has accepted his resignation as a member of the South Carolina delegation to the Education Commission of the States and has appointed Dr. Boozer to replace him. It was also announced by Chairman Smith that the Governor will appoint Dr. Boozer to the Southern Regional Education Board when Dr. Morris' term expires in June 1974.

IV. Report on Activities of High School-College Relations Committee

Mr. Frank Logan, Chairman of the High School-College Relations Committee, appeared before the Commission to discuss the activities of the Committee. Mr. Logan explained that this Committee is a volunteer group appointed by the South Carolina Division of the Carolinas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers for the purpose of providing planned programs of information on postsecondary education to all South Carolina high school students. The Committee represents high school guidance counsellors as well as admissions officers of public and private colleges and universities. It published in 1973 brochures showing scheduled meetings at various locations over the State for high school students; profiles of South Carolina colleges, universities, and TEC centers; and guidelines for guidance counsellors. Mr. Logan stated that the Committee had reached a point where the talents and direction of an Executive Secretary are needed and expressed the view that the Commission on Higher Education would be the appropriate agency to fund the work of the Committee with the Executive Secretary working under the Commission.

After general discussion Chairman Smith thanked Mr. Logan for appearing before the Commission and stated that his report would be received as information.

V. Annual Budget Request of State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education

Pursuant to legislative action, the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education presented its 1974-75 budget request to the Commission for comment. Following discussion on the proposed budget a motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Wienges) that the Commission recommend to the Budget and

Control Board that the total increase granted to TEC be proportionate to the total increase granted to the colleges and universities, excluding the Medical University, and that any reductions that are made by the Budget and Control Board also be applied proportionately. A substitute motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Holliday) that a transcript or other feasible report of the discussion by the Commission relative to the 1974-75 budget request from the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education be furnished to the Budget and Control Board and the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education for whatever action they wished to take. The substitute motion was passed.

Following further discussion a motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Howe) that the staff of the Commission be directed to continue efforts to develop comparable definitions and statistics and reconcile the comparative cost figures on education at the University of South Carolina branches and the Technical Education Centers. The motion was passed.

VI. Request from Dr. Marianna Davis that Commission Members be Addressed as Lady and Gentlemen

Dr. Marianna Davis asked that it be understood by the Commission and recorded in the minutes that as there is now a woman member of the Commission, and this fact be kept in mind when members are addressed. "Gentlemen" is no longer the appropriate salutation.

VII. Program Considerations

The Citadel

BA in General Studies - This proposal was on the agenda for the September 6, 1973, meeting of the Commission as was a proposal from The Citadel for an AA degree in Business Administration. After some discussion on the two proposals in September it was requested that both programs be deferred until the November meeting. Subsequent to that meeting General Duckett formally withdrew the request for the AA in Business Administration. Dr. Kinard reported that the staff recommends that the proposed BA in General Studies not be approved because a variety of degree options are already available to part-time students in the Charleston area, and introduction of another option increases the probability of further duplication of offerings at the course level. A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Grier) that the recommendations of the staff be approved. After dis-

cussion a substitute motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Holliday) that the program be approved for a two year trial period after which time the program would be evaluated and re-submitted to the Commission. The substitute motion was passed.

VIII. Consideration of Capital Improvement Requests

Clemson University - Clemson has submitted a request for renovation of the old Post Office building at a cost of \$147,000 and a request for renovation of Harden Hall at a cost of \$390,000. It is the recommendation of the staff that these projects be approved for funding. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Sheheen) and unanimously adopted that these two requests be approved.

College of Charleston - The College of Charleston has submitted the following projects for approval: Fine Arts Center (first increment) at a cost of \$2,900,000; central energy facility (second increment) at a cost of \$750,000; outdoor activities area at a cost of \$300,000; acquisition of residences for faculty and administrative offices at a cost of \$300,000; acquisition of a central maintenance/warehouse facility at a cost of \$250,000; botanical greenhouse at a cost of \$60,000; and a parking facility at a cost of \$1,500,000. President Stern requested that consideration of the outdoor activities area be withdrawn at this time. The staff recommends that all projects for the College of Charleston be approved, with the exception of the outdoor activities area. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Sheheen) and unanimously adopted that the staff recommendations be approved.

Lander College - Lander College has submitted for approval the following projects: classroom and faculty office complex at a cost of \$3,000,000; student center-administration complex at a cost of \$2,600,000; land acquisition at a cost of \$400,000; and rehabilitation of old library and student center for academic space at a cost of \$350,000. It is the recommendation of the staff that all projects be approved. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Sheheen) and unanimously adopted that the staff recommendations be approved.

Following approval of the projects for Lander, Mr. Michael raised for consideration by the Commission the question of alternative campus locations within the greater Greenwood area. He stated that there is apparently no serious obstacle to developing the campus in its present location, and that this appears to be the desire of the State Board. Mr. Michael also stated that the matter is being raised at this time to

insure that the Commission has no objections or reservations. Mr. Johnson commented that the State College Board of Trustees has never considered moving the Lander campus and is quite satisfied to develop the college at its present location.

Winthrop - Winthrop has submitted the following requests for approval: alterations to classrooms and administration building to provide access by paraplegics at a cost of \$152,000; conversion of an empty dormitory to a continuing education center at a cost of \$138,000; extension of fire protection facilities at a cost of \$85,000; modernization of classrooms and laboratories at a cost of \$51,000; remodeling of space in the Administration Building to increase efficiency at a cost of \$50,000; renovation of Student Center annex at a cost of \$20,000; installation of safety devices at a cost of \$15,000; and technical evaluation of several structures at a cost of \$10,000. It is the recommendation of the staff that all projects be approved. A motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Marchant) and unanimously adopted that the staff recommendations be approved.

University of South Carolina - The University of South Carolina has submitted for approval the following requests: Behavioral Science Center at a cost of \$6,000,000; addition to Wardlaw College at a cost of \$2,500,000; renovation of five buildings at a cost of \$2,150,000; Horseshoe renovation (part II) at a cost of \$2,500,000; Spartanburg Regional Campus library at a cost of \$1,350,000; Aiken Regional Campus student activities center at a cost of \$700,000. The staff recommends approval of the Behavioral Science Center, renovation projects and the addition to Wardlaw College, and has no comment on the Horseshoe renovation because of prior approval by the General Assembly. The staff further recommends disapproval of Spartanburg Regional Campus library and Aiken Regional Campus student activities center in view of the position recently taken by the Commission concerning appropriations for operations and the existing State policy that State funds not be used for capital improvements at two-year regional campuses. A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Chapman) that the staff recommendations be approved.

Mr. Marchant explained that both Aiken and Spartanburg had met the legislative criteria to offer third year courses and even though space was adequate for a two year program, it was felt that implementation of third year and ultimately fourth year courses would be impossible without necessary

capital improvements. In this connection a substitute motion was made (Marchant) that these regional campus items also be recommended for approval. There was no second. A motion was made (Wienges) and seconded (Sheheen) that Mr. Marchant's motion be tabled. The motion to table Mr. Marchant's motion was passed. Mr. Marchant was opposed. Vote was taken on the original motion to approve the staff recommendations. The motion was passed.

Mr. Scarborough commented for the record that if the State started putting money into capital improvements at two year branches, problems could possibly develop with the TEC centers where facilities are also constructed through local funding. Mr. Marchant stated that he was in agreement that capital improvements for two year institutions should be funded locally, but that at Aiken and Spartanburg third year and ultimately fourth year programs were envisioned. Mr. Sheheen said that the action taken by the Commission to disapprove State funding for capital requests at Aiken and Spartanburg was consistent with the intention of the Commission to seek legislative review of the entire matter of third and fourth year courses at regional campuses. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Sheheen) that the staff be authorized and directed to communicate and work with the Legislative Council in drafting necessary legislation on third and fourth year programs as they relate to the Commission on Higher Education. The motion was passed unanimously.

IX. Annual Report of the Commission

Mr. Krech presented the draft 1973-74 annual report of the Commission on Higher Education. A motion was made (Scarborough) and seconded (Stanback) that the report be approved for final printing. The motion was passed unanimously.

X. Date of December Commission Meeting

A motion was made (Johnson) and seconded (Sheheen) that the Commission meeting date for December be changed to December 7 and 8 if Hobcaw is available then for the meeting, and if not, the meeting at Hobcaw would be scheduled for the Spring with the Commission meeting in Columbia on its regularly scheduled meeting date, December 6. The motion was passed unanimously.

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Secretary