

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
AT
THE CITADEL

May 6, 1972
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mr. Hugh M. Chapman
Mr. Alester G. Furman, III
Colonel J. M. J. Holliday
Mr. Gedney M. Howe, Jr.
Mr. T. Eston Marchant
Dr. Harrison L. Peeples
Mr. James A. Rogers
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Dr. R. Cathcart Smith, Chairman
Mr. I. P. Stanback

Dr. James A. Morris

GUESTS

Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Mr. O. Stanley Smith, Jr.
Dr. Theodore S. Stern
Dr. Walter D. Smith

I. Approval of Minutes of April 6, 1972, Meeting of the Commission on Higher Education

A motion was made (Holliday) and seconded (Stanback) that the minutes of the April 6, 1972, meeting of the Commission on Higher Education be approved. The motion was passed unanimously.

II. Meeting with Academic Officials on Graduate Education Courses

Because a number of institutions have expressed a desire to offer graduate courses in Education for teachers over the state a meeting was held with academic officials from the public colleges and universities, Dean Pulley of Furman University representing the private sector and Dr. Busbee from the State Department of Education. The group discussed graduate courses in Education in order to determine ways of coordinating these programs to avoid unnecessary duplication. A committee, chaired by Dr. Ross Webb, was appointed to determine plans of the various institutions in this area and to come up with a short term arrangement for 1972-73 and to work toward a more comprehensive long range plan.

Dr. Edwards has submitted a report to the Commission on Clemson University Graduate Centers which proposes offering graduate level courses in Education for teachers in various parts of the state and has requested Commission endorsement of the concept after which a formal proposal for the establishment of at least a pilot program would be submitted to the Commission for approval. The Commission decided to defer action until June on the concept of the Clemson University Graduate Centers program awaiting a report from the committee appointed to study proposed graduate courses in Education in the state.

III. Developments with Formula Budgeting System

The House version of the Appropriation Bill under Section 13, Budget and Control Board, provides that the Budget and Control Board with the assistance of the Commission on Higher Education will develop a recommended formula for the appropriation of funds for the public colleges and universities. The Commission staff is working with the academic and business vice presidents to further refine the present formula budget which will be presented to the Commission for discussion at the next meeting.

IV. Three-Year Degree Programs

Pursuant to the request of the Legislature the Commission has begun a study whereby students at institutions of higher learning may complete the requirements for a baccalaureate degree in three years. The University of South Carolina and Francis Marion College have volunteered to institute pilot programs in this area. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Sheheen) that the University of South Carolina and Francis Marion College be the designated institutions to study and experiment with the development of a three-year baccalaureate degree program and to so inform the Commission as they proceed. The motion was passed unanimously.

V. Request from the Medical University to the Budget and Control Board for Funding to Support the Consortium Program of the Medical University

The Medical University has submitted a request to the Budget and Control Board for funding the consortium agreement between the Medical University and the Greenville, Spartanburg, and Columbia hospitals at a cost of \$722,973 for 1972-73. A motion was made (Furman) and seconded (Sheheen) that the Commission on Higher Education support the request of the Medical University for funds to implement the consortium agreement. The motion was passed unanimously.

VI. Request for Capital Improvements from Medical University

A motion was made (Chapman), seconded (Holliday) and unanimously adopted to recommend to the Budget and Control

approval of the following capital improvement requests from the Medical University:

Renovation of Quadrangle Buildings	\$ 750,000	
Renovation of Hospital	3,000,000	
Business Office Building	1,000,000	
Eye Clinic	500,000	State Funds, \$1,000,000
		Other Funds
Land Purchase	500,000	
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TOTAL	\$5,750,000	

VII. Capital Improvement Request from the College of Charleston

The College of Charleston has submitted a request to change a formerly approved request for a 200-bed womens dormitory at a cost of \$1,200,000 to a 100-bed apartment style womens dormitory at approximately the same cost. In general discussion Mr. Sheheen stated that he was a little disturbed about spending the same amount of money to house a smaller number of students. Dr. Stern stated that the money would come from revenue bonds and the college did not now anticipate needing 200 beds. A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Holliday) that the request from the College of Charleston to change the previously approved 200-bed womens dormitory to a 100-bed apartment style dormitory be approved. The motion was adopted unanimously.

VIII. Program Considerations

Clemson

Ph. D. in Management Science - Approved

University of South Carolina and Francis Marion College

Cooperative Graduate Program - Approved

IX. Salary of Dr. Morris

Chairman Smith called to the attention of the Commission a statement which was approved by the Budget and Control Board at the time Dr. Morris was employed as Commissioner stating that the salary paid to the Commissioner would be comparable to the base salary of the university presidents. Although employed at this base salary, the salary was no longer comparable with that of the university presidents. It was keenly felt by the Commission that the salary based on the university presidents salary was right at the time of employment of Dr. Morris and that the services rendered by Dr. Morris made it right now and that it should be increased to the original commitment. A motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Furman) that the Commission reaffirm

its position that the salary of Dr. Morris should be comparable to the salary of the university presidents as it was right at the time of employment and is right now, and that the Chairman institute action to appeal to the appropriate authorities that Dr. Morris' salary be adjusted in line with the original agreement between the Commission and the Budget and Control Board. The motion was passed unanimously.

X. Two-Year Comprehensive and Technical Education Bill

The Two-Year Comprehensive and Technical Education Bill as reported out by the House Education Committee was passed by the House and sent to the Senate with the following amendments:

(To follow second paragraph in Section 2.) "It is provided further that such university branches or centers are hereby specifically authorized to offer courses in the junior level where such branch or center has an enrollment of seven hundred full-time equivalent students and to offer in the senior level when such branch or center has one thousand full-time equivalent students, both subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of the University concerned. Such branch or center shall continue to be under the administrative and jurisdictional control of its local governing board and the board of trustees of the University of South Carolina or Clemson University, as the case may be."

Section 8. "All additional four year institutions created under this Act shall be under the control of the State College Board of Trustees."

It was the consensus of the Commission that the amendment to the bill allowing centers and branches to offer junior and senior level courses without Commission approval and using only stated enrollment figures as criteria would open the door for creating four-year colleges over the state. A resolution, which is Exhibit A of the minutes, was adopted by the Commission requesting that the amendment be changed as follows:

"It is provided further that such university branches and centers are hereby specifically authorized to offer programs and courses in the junior level where such branch or center has an enrollment of 700 full-time equivalent students and to offer senior level programs and courses when such branch or center has 1,000 full-time equivalent students, both of these subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of the University concerned and the Commission on Higher Education and provided that such courses and programs are adequately funded."

A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Howe) that the Commission go on record as taking a position that the House version of the Two-Year Comprehensive and Technical Education Bill be amended as stated in the resolution adopted by the

Commission and attached to the minutes as Exhibit A. The motion was passed unanimously.

XI. Expression of Appreciation to The Citadel, The Medical University and The College of Charleston

A motion was made (Furman) and seconded (Marchant) that the Commission express appreciation to The Citadel, the Medical University and the College of Charleston for the wonderful hospitality extended to the Commission during the two day meeting in Charleston. The motion was passed unanimously.

XII. Portrait of Former Commission Chairman, E. Craig Wall

A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Marchant) that the Commission purchase a suitable picture of former Chairman, E. Craig Wall, to be hung in the Conference Room. The motion was passed unanimously.

Elizabeth T. Jumper
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Secretary