

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

November 1, 1984
10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Fred R. Sheheen, Chairman
Mr. George L. Brightharp
Mr. W. Jerry Fedder
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher
Mr. Roosevelt Gilliam, Jr.
Mr. Robert C. Graham
Mr. Harold W. Jacobs
Dr. Alba M. Lewis
Mr. David B. Smith
Mr. Mortimer F. Smith
Mrs. Nanette H. Smyth
Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.
Dr. Robert F. Williams
Dr. Louis D. Wright, Jr.
Mr. Robert L. Wynn III

MEMBER ABSENT

Dr. Willa J. DeWitt

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Ms. Camille Bradford
Ms. Edith Hall
Mr. John Norton
Mr. Broderick Samuel
Mr. Steve Smith
Mr. Carl Still
Mr. Ernie Wiggins
Ms. Clisby Williams

GUESTS

Dr. John Austell
Dr. John M. Bevan
Dr. Francis T. Borkowski
Dr. Carl A. Carpenter
Dr. John R. Carpenter
Dr. Morgan B. Coker
Mr. Steven Elliott
Dr. James G. Fox
Mr. Hans Knoop
Mr. Philip Lader
Dr. Benjamin F. Lawson
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Mr. William M. Mackie
Dr. Charles Matthews
Dr. William C. Moran
Dr. Oscar C. Page
Dr. Terry Peterson
Dr. George M. Reeves
Mr. David P. Rinker
Dr. Olin Sansbury
Dr. Robert Taylor
Dr. A. F. von Recum

STAFF

Dr. Howard R. Boozer
Dr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.
Ms. Sandra Carr
Ms. Alvena M. Chapman
Dr. Frank E. Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf
Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. James A. Paschal
Dr. John E. Smalls
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon Syrett

I. Introduction of New Staff Members

Dr. Boozer introduced three new members of the Commission's staff: Dr. John E. Smalls, Assistant Director for Finance; Dr. Gail M. Morrison, Coordinator of Academic Program Review; and Ms. Sandra Carr, Secretary.

II. Minutes of Meetings of August 27-28 and September 6, 1984

It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of August 27-28, 1984, be approved as written.

Dr. Boozer noted that the minutes of the September 6 minutes have been corrected (P. 880) under USC-Columbia to read: "The motion was amended (D. Smith) and seconded (Fedder) to restore the requested \$200,000 for South Carolina College . . . The amendment was not approved. The motion was amended (Gallager) and seconded (Wynn) to provide that the Appropriation Formula Advisory Committee review the formula to ensure that all honors programs, as designated by the appropriate committees of the Commission, at all public colleges and universities are funded at an equitable level. The motion, as amended, was adopted." It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of September 6, 1984, be approved as corrected.

III. Report of Committee on Academic Affairs

Mrs. Taylor, chairman of the Committee on Academic Affairs, reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of Proposals for New Programs

(1) A.Bus., Legal Assisting, Florence-Darlington Technical College. Florence-Darlington Technical College proposes to begin, in the winter quarter of 1984, a program leading to the associate in business degree with a major in legal assisting. The Committee recommends that the program be approved. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (D. Smith) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. The motion was amended (Gallager) to stipulate that no "unique cost" funding will be required or requested. Mrs. Taylor accepted the amendment. The motion, as amended, was adopted.

(2) A.I.T., Automotive Technology, Greenville Technical College. Greenville Technical College proposes to begin, in January 1985, a program leading to the associate in industrial technology degree with a major in automotive technology. The Committee recommends that the program be approved. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Fedder) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mrs. Taylor noted that the program is designed to supplement the current four-quarter diploma program in automotive mechanics by adding three quarters in which students can be provided with more sophisticated training required by technological advances in automobiles. The Committee does not recommend that the four-quarter program be discontinued. The motion was amended (Gallager) and seconded (Fedder) to stipulate that no "unique cost" funding be required or requested. The motion, as amended, was adopted.

(3) Environmental Research Center, Clemson University. Clemson University proposes to implement, on January 1, 1985, a new administrative unit to be called the Clemson Environmental Research Center. The purpose is to assist Clemson faculty in organizing research projects related to the environment. The Committee recommends that the proposed Center be approved, for implementation in January 1985 provided no "unique cost" or other special State appropriation will be required or requested. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

(4) M.A.T., Early Childhood, Elementary and Special Education, College of Charleston. The College of Charleston proposes to implement in January 1985, new programs leading to the M.A.T. in early childhood, elementary, and special education. The Committee recommends that these programs be approved for implementation in January 1985 provided no "unique cost" funding will be required or requested. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Utsey), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

(5) Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, Francis Marion College. Francis Marion College proposes to implement, in January 1985, a Social and Behavioral Sciences Institute. The Committee recommends that the proposal be approved for implementation in January 1985 provided that no requests for "unique cost" or other special State appropriations will be required or requested; and provided that no institutional funds, from State appropriations or student fees, will be allocated to its operation or for its support. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (D. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

(6) B.S., Physics, Francis Marion College. Francis Marion College proposes to implement, in January 1985, a new program leading to the B.S. in physics. The Committee recommends that the program be approved for implementation in January 1985, provided no "unique cost" funding will be required or requested. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Lewis) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Gallagher asked if funds will be diverted from other programs at the institution to finance the proposed program. Dr. William C. Moran, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Francis Marion, stated that the program would not, as noted by the Committee, be "self-supporting" in terms of the Commission's enrollment-driven appropriation formula but that Francis Marion would meet these costs by internal re-allocation.

The motion was amended (Gallagher) to provide that the program be reviewed in the future, at a time specified by the institution, to determine if sufficient demand for the program exists and to ascertain the source of funding. There was no second. Dr. Wright suggested that the program be reviewed to determine if it will become self-supporting by formula-driven revenue, with the plan that that it be reexamined or terminated if it does not become self-supporting. Mrs. Taylor noted that the Commission does not have the authority to recommend internal allocation of institutional resources.

Mr. Jacobs stated that the Commission should not approve the program if other similar programs with low enrollment exist in the State. Mr. Gallagher suggested that the Commission ask the institution to provide information with respect to source of funding. He noted that Dr. Moran has not declared the program to be essential to the College. Dr. Moran stated that he firmly believes the program to be vital to the College.

Mr. Sheheen asked if disapproval of the program would have a negative impact with respect to the proposed new General Electric plant in the Florence area. He stated that if the program is related to the establishment of the plant, the Commission should review it later to determine whether or not the GE Company is using the program to train physicists. Dr. Moran stated that, while the institution has made no commitment to GE, the program is important to the industrial development of the Pee Dee.

Mr. M. Smith stated that it would be unjust for the Commission to deny the Francis Marion proposal when it has approved similar programs at other institutions. He expressed the view that if the proposed program is disapproved, the Commission should review physics programs at the other institutions. The motion was amended (Gallager) to require that at the end of the 1988-89 academic year all undergraduate programs in physics in the State be reviewed to determine if they should be consolidated or terminated. Mr. Gallager also requested that Francis Marion College provide information to the Committee on Business and Finance with respect to funding source. Dr. Kinard noted that the Commission has established a procedure and schedule for program review; the amendment would preempt this schedule. The amendment was approved, by eight affirmative and three negative votes. The motion, as amended, was adopted, by ten affirmative and three negative votes.

(7) B.B.A., Francis Marion College. Francis Marion College proposes to convert its existing program leading to the B.S. in business administration to a more highly specialized program leading to the Bachelor of Business Administration degree. Seven majors -- in accounting, management, marketing, finance, business economics, computer information systems, and general business -- are proposed. The Committee is concerned that the proposed proliferation of seven majors may result in relatively small enrollments in at least some of these, with resulting impacts not only on efficiency but possibly on effectiveness as well. The Committee therefore recommends that the proposed programs be approved, for implementation on January 1, 1985, provided that the institution report to the Committee by not later than November 1, 1988, an analysis of the programs for its review; provided further that existing programs leading to the B.S. in administrative technology and the B.S. in computer science with option in business be phased out concurrently by not admitting any new students to either after November 1, 1984; and provided further that no "unique cost" funding or other special State appropriations will be required or requested. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Smyth), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. In response to a question by Mr. Gallager concerning the status of the proposed Master's in Business Administration at Francis Marion College, Mrs. Taylor stated that the Committee is in the process of reviewing existing programs at institutions that have indicated they do not plan to seek accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). The Committee has deferred consideration of the proposed M.B.A. at Francis Marion until the review is completed.

(8) Center for Science Education, USC-Columbia. USC-Columbia proposes to implement, on December 1, 1984, a new administrative unit, a Center for Science Education. The purposes are to coordinate, at USC-Columbia and within the University system, development of courses to serve both pre-service and in-service teachers of science and mathematics, to coordinate master's programs for science and mathematics teachers offered at USC-Columbia, to maintain a collection of instructional materials related to teaching in those fields, and to conduct research projects in the teaching of science and mathematics. The Committee recommends that this proposed Center be approved for implementation on December 1, 1984, provided that no "unique cost" funds will be required or requested. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Wynn) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mrs. Taylor stated that the merit of the program is high and such a Center

is badly needed. Mr. Fedder noted that the Committee on Business and Finance did not recommend funding for the Center as a "unique cost" item for fiscal year 1985-86, pending Commission action on the proposed new program. The motion was amended (Utsey), seconded (Brightharp), and voted to provide that no "unique cost" funds be approved for fiscal year 1985-86, but that USC may, if it wishes, request "unique cost" funds for 1986-87 or subsequent years. The motion, as amended, was adopted.

(9) Center for Economic and Community Development, USC-Spartanburg. USC-Spartanburg proposes to implement in January 1985 a new administrative unit to be named the Center for Economic and Community Development. The purpose is to serve as a source of data, facts and, potentially, faculty expertise on business and the economy in the Spartanburg region. The Committee recommends that this proposed Center be approved, for implementation in January 1985, provided that no institutional funds, from State appropriations or student fees, will be utilized for its operation. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

(10) International Center, Winthrop College. Winthrop College proposes to implement, immediately on Commission approval, as a new administrative unit, an International Center. The purpose is to establish a new program of opportunities for study abroad for students at Winthrop and at other institutions, public and private; to establish agreements with institutions abroad for these purposes; to enhance international aspects of Winthrop's existing curricula; and to assume responsibility for other activities such as the annual Model United Nations program held on campus. The Committee recommends that the proposed Center be approved provided that: (a) no "unique cost" or other special appropriations are required or requested for fiscal year 1985-86 or subsequent years, and (b) academic credits earned abroad by participating students are not reported for funding purposes to the Commission. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Gilliam complimented Winthrop College on this program of interinstitutional cooperation.

(b) Education Improvement Act of 1984

(1) Procedures for Teacher Loan Program. Mrs. Taylor reported that the Education Improvement Act of 1984 contains, in Division II, Subdivision C, Subpart 1, Section 3, the following:

"The Commission on Higher Education, in consultation with the State Department of Education and the staff of the S.C. Student Loan Corporation, shall develop a loan program whereby talented and qualified State residents may be provided loans to attend public or private colleges and universities for the sole purpose and intent of becoming certified teachers employed in the State in areas of critical need. Areas of critical need shall include both rural areas and areas of teacher certification and shall be defined annually for that purpose by the State Board of Education. The recipient of a loan shall be entitled to have up to one hundred percent of the amount of the loan plus the interest thereon cancelled if he becomes certified and teaches in an area of critical need. The loan shall be cancelled at the rate of twenty percent of the total principal amount of the loan plus interest on the unpaid balance for each complete year of teaching service in an

area of critical need. In case of failure to make a scheduled repayment of any installment, failure to apply for cancellation of deferment of the loan on time or noncompliance by a borrower with the intent of the loan, the entire unpaid indebtedness including interest due and accrued thereon shall, at the option of the Commission become immediately due and payable. The recipient shall execute the necessary legal documents to reflect his obligation and the terms and conditions of the loan. The loan program, if implemented, pursuant to the South Carolina Education Improvement Act of 1984, is to be administered by the S.C. Student Loan Corporation. Funds generated from repayments to the loan program shall be retained in a separate account and utilized as a revolving account for the purpose that the funds were originally appropriated. Appropriations for loans and administrative costs incurred by the Corporation are to be provided in annual amounts, recommended by the Commission on Higher Education, to the State Treasurer for use by the Corporation. The select committee will review the loan program annually and report to the General Assembly."

Mrs. Taylor reported that a proposed loan program has been developed, in accord with the provisions of the statute, by the staff of the S.C. Student Loan Corporation, the State Department of Education, and the Commission. The 1984-85 Appropriation Act contains \$1.5 million for this program. Approval of the proposed operating budget would mean that just under \$1.36 million would be available for loans. Proposed Regulations, proposed fund transfer Procedures, and a proposed addition to the operating budget of the Corporation for the remainder of fiscal year 1984-85 were reviewed by the Committee and were provided to Commission members on October 22, 1984. The Committee recommends that the proposed Regulations, proposed fund transfer Procedures, and proposed Corporation expenses be approved. Mrs. Taylor noted that, although the law requires that the annual appropriation for the program be recommended by the Commission, the State Board of Education has already requested that the program be funded at \$2.5 million for fiscal year 1985-86. Mr. Sheheen stated for the record that the Commission should be asked to make the recommendation. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Fedder) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Mrs. Taylor noted that an advisory committee to the State Board of Education has recommended to the Board that for fiscal year 1985-86 critical subject matter areas be defined as science and mathematics and rural areas be defined as those school districts in which 51% or more of the population is classified as non-urban. Mr. Gallager asked if the the Commission has the authority to revise the Regulations. Dr. Kinard indicated that this could be done. Mr. D. Smith expressed concern that reference to "talented and qualified" students has been deleted from the Regulations. He suggested that the matter be referred to the Committee on Academic Affairs for further review with respect to legislative intent concerning the definition of talented and qualified students. Dr. Kinard stated that this was discussed by staff members from the three agencies who concluded that "talented and qualified" criteria automatically are met when a student is qualified by an institution to enroll in a teacher education program.

The motion was amended (D. Smith) and seconded (M. Smith) to provide that being in the top 50% of a high school graduating class should be the basic criterion during the first fiscal year of the program, and that the matter be reviewed

by the Committee on Academic Affairs for the following fiscal year. Mrs. Taylor noted that this would mean second semester college sophomores or juniors would use high school rankings. Mr. Utsey suggested that the Commission adopt the Committee's recommendation with the understanding that it will be revised for the next fiscal year, if needed. Mr. Brighttharp suggested that a cumulative grade point ratio (GPR) of 2.3 or 2.5 be adopted as the criterion. After further discussion, the amendment was withdrawn. A substitute motion was made (Gallager) and seconded (Wright) to provide that that criteria, for the current year only, require in-college students to have a 3.0 GPR, and for high school graduates not yet in college to have been in the upper third of their classes during the previous semester. Dr. Williams stated that the motion is unrealistic. At the invitation of the Chairman, Dr. Francis T. Borkowski, USC Provost, stated that to limit the criterion to 3.0 GPR would exclude 75% of teacher education students. Dr. W. David Maxwell, Clemson Provost, agreed. Mr. Gallager suggested that the program be made available to all students. Mr. Sheheen stated that the substitute motion would be too restrictive. The substitute motion was disapproved. A second substitute motion was made (Williams) and seconded (Fedder) to provide that to be eligible, a student must have a cumulative GPR of 2.75 or be in the top 40% of his or her graduating class. The motion was tied, with six affirmative and six negative votes. Mr. Sheheen voted in favor of the motion. The second substitute motion was adopted.

It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Smyth), and voted that the Regulations as amended be adopted. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (M. Smith), and voted that the fund transfer Procedures and the proposed Corporation expenses be approved.

(2) Procedures for Centers of Excellence Grant Programs. Mrs. Taylor reported that the Education Improvement Act of 1984 provides for the establishment of a new contract program the purpose of which is to foster the development of "centers of excellence" in teacher training in public or private colleges. The specific provision contained in the Act is as follows:

"The Commission on Higher Education, in consultation with the State Board of Education, may contract with selected public or private colleges and universities, or groupings of such institutions, to provide centers of excellence in programs designed to train teachers. The Commission shall devise guidelines and procedures by which institutions, or groups of institutions, may apply for such contracts by the Commission. Such guidelines and procedures shall include participation by local schools or school districts in such programs as may be appropriate. Funds for implementing this activity shall be appropriated annually to the Commission on Higher Education which, in consultation with the State Board of Education, shall monitor the performance of participating institutions and may or may not elect to renew such contracts to any original college or university."

Draft guidelines for implementation of this program have been reviewed by the Advisory Committee on Academic Programs, the State Department of Education, and the Committee on Academic Affairs. Mrs. Taylor suggested

the following addition to the proposed guidelines circulated earlier for "Centers of Excellence": "Except for the maximum available to the Commission for this purpose, there is no upper limit recommended for any one proposal." The Committee recommends that the guidelines, including the time schedule, be approved. It was moved (Taylor) seconded (Smyth), and voted that the draft guidelines for "Centers of Excellence," as amended, be approved. Mr. Wynn noted that USC and its regional campuses are considered separate institutions for the purposes of the grant program.

(3) Status of Other Provisions of EIA (1984). Mrs. Taylor reported on the status of the following other provisions of the Education Improvement Act of 1984 which require Commission action: Advanced Placement Programs, Emphasizing Teaching as a Career, Upgrading Standards for Teacher Education Programs, and Admission Requirements to Graduate Programs in School Administration. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Fedder), and voted that the report be accepted as information.

- c. Teacher Improvement Grants, 1984-85. Mrs. Taylor reported that the Budget and Control Board approved, in the Commission's appropriation request for fiscal year 1984-85, the sum of \$500,000 for "Teacher Improvement," accompanied by the following proviso:

"Provided, Further, That with respect to the item specified above for 'Teacher Improvement,' the Commission shall solicit proposals from the public colleges and universities for activities designed to improve the curricula of teacher training degree programs, and shall make such grants to the institutions as the Commission elects."

In February 1984 the Commission agreed to commit \$225,000 of this pending appropriation to USC-Columbia, Clemson, and the Charleston Higher Education Consortium to support a proposal submitted by those institutions to the National Science Foundation for the teaching of science and mathematics, provided the NSF grant is approved.

Guidelines governing the submission of proposals for this "Teacher Improvement Grant" program were approved by the Commission in May 1984. In June 1984 the appropriation for this item was stricken from the Appropriation Act.

In August 1984 Winthrop College proposed to transfer \$250,000 of the special appropriation of \$750,000 made to it by the General Assembly so that the Commission might re-activate this program. The Commission accepted this offer, subject to the conditions, among others, that the original guidelines would apply and that the Commission would make such grants as it elected to award by November 1, 1984, provided by this time that the NSF grant proposal had not been approved. Official approval of the NSF proposal has not been received by this date.

Proposals from ten senior public institutions were submitted and were reviewed by the Committee on Academic Affairs on October 11. The Committee recommends that the following eight proposals be approved for funding:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
The Citadel	\$31,000	\$31,000
Clemson University	49,255	47,255
College of Charleston	37,075	18,195
Francis Marion College	24,640	14,500
Lander College	42,890	33,142
South Carolina State College	50,325	37,467
USC-Coastal	32,141	21,491
USC-Columbia	53,600	46,950
Total		\$250,000

It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Wynn) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. The motion was amended (Gallager) and seconded (Fedder) to provide that each proposal be considered separately. The amendment was disapproved. Dr. Borkowski expressed disappointment that the proposal by USC-Aiken was deleted by the Committee after the staff had recommended it for funding. A substitute motion was made (M. Smith) and seconded (Smyth) to reconsider the vote on the amendment. The substitute motion was approved by six affirmative and four negative votes. The amendment was approved by six affirmative and five negative votes.

Dr. Maxwell stated that all requests for funds should be made through the appropriation formula. Mr. Utsey suggested that the Commission rate the proposals. Dr. Kinard noted that, if the grants are to be made during the current academic year, the Commission should act on the matter as soon as possible. Mr. M. Smith stated that the Commission should preserve the integrity of the committee system by voting on the individual proposals recommended by the Committee. Mr. Graham, Dr. Williams, and Dr. Wright indicated that they would abstain from voting.

A second substitute motion was made (Gallager) and seconded (Wynn) to approve the following projects in the recommended amounts: The motion was adopted by six affirmative and three negative votes. Mr. Graham, Dr. Williams, and Dr. Wright abstained. The following proposals were approved:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u>
The Citadel	\$31,000
Clemson University	47,255
College of Charleston	18,195
Francis Marion	14,500
USC-Aiken	50,770
USC-Coastal	21,491
USC-Columbia	46,950
Total	\$230,161

It was moved (Williams) that the remaining \$19,839 be used to fund USC-Spartanburg's proposal. There was no second.

It was moved (Utsey), seconded (Fedder), and voted that the following agenda items be deferred to the December 6, 1984, meeting of the Commission:

- d. Reports of Consultants on Degree Programs in History
- e. Reports of Consultants on Degree Programs in Political Science
- f. Annual Report on Two-Year Program Evaluation

V. Report of Committee on Health and Medical Education

Dr. Wright, chairman of the Committee on Health and Medical Education, reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of Proposals for New Programs (jointly with Committee on Academic Affairs).

(1) Bioengineering Alliance of South Carolina, Clemson University, Medical University of South Carolina, and University of South Carolina. The State's three universities propose to establish in August 1985 a consortium entitled "Bioengineering Alliance of South Carolina." The purpose of the proposed Alliance is to enhance bioengineering education and biomedical research within the universities, including (a) the interchange of faculty and students among the universities, (b) the development of joint research efforts, and (c) the sharing of facilities, equipment, and other resources.

The Committees recommend that the proposal be approved for implementation in August 1985 provided no "unique cost" funds are required or requested. It was moved (Wright), seconded (D. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committees be adopted. Mrs. Smyth commended the three universities for this cooperation.

(2) Center for Gerontology, Clemson University, South Carolina State College, and University of South Carolina. Clemson University, South Carolina State College, and the University of South Carolina propose to establish in January 1985 a consortium entitled the "Center for Gerontology." The purpose of the proposed Center is to facilitate the optimal use of faculty with interest and expertise in gerontology within the State.

The Committees recommend that the proposal be approved for implementation in January 1985 provided no "unique cost" or other special State funds be required or requested. It was moved (Wright), seconded (D. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Report on MUSC Satellite Nursing Program at Francis Marion College.

Dr. Wright reported that, as a result of the Commission's consideration of the Medical University's 1984-85 budget request, the Commission asked MUSC to review its satellite nursing programs located at Francis Marion College and Winthrop College because these programs failed to meet enrollment projections, resulting in relatively high cost operations.

The Medical University, following a review of the program located at Winthrop College, announced the termination of that program effective July 1, 1987. The Commission accepted this decision as information at its meeting of May 3, 1984.

The Medical University administration has completed its review of the satellite program at Francis Marion College and concluded that the program should be continued. As students were not enrolled in the program until 1982, the University considers it still to be in a developmental phase with a potential for enrollment growth in the near future. The Committees, therefore, recommend that no action be taken at this time other than to notify the institutions involved that the Commission expects the program to receive funding based solely upon formula calculations, and no "unique cost," beginning with fiscal year 1986-87. It was moved (Wright), seconded (D. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Report on Joint Board for Health and Medical Education. Dr. Wright reported that in November 1983 the Committee proposed a list of issues to be addressed by the Joint Board for Health and Medical Education. The Joint Board, on March 1, 1984, assigned responsibility to Drs. Humphries and Newberry to address the issues and report back at a future meeting. That report was submitted on August 2, 1984, and was provided to members of the Commission on October 16, 1984. The Committee on Health and Medical Education recommends that the Commission acknowledge that the Joint Board is making a serious attempt to serve the purposes for which it was established and acknowledge that an evaluation of its effectiveness at this point would be premature. This report was received as information.

VI. Report of Committee on Facilities

Mr. Graham, chairman of the Committee on Facilities, reported on the following matter:

Ratification of Mail Ballot Approving Permanent Improvement Requests of Greenville, Horry-Georgetown, and Sumter Technical Colleges. Greenville Technical College, Horry-Georgetown Technical College, and Sumter Technical College propose to purchase additional property contiguous to their campuses. By mail ballot on September 27, 1984, the Committee approved these requests. The Committee recommends that this action be ratified. It was moved (Graham), seconded (Utsey), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

VII. Consideration of Commission Meetings on Campuses in 1985

Mr. Sheheen reported that the Commission agreed on August 28 to schedule a minimum of three of its regular monthly meetings each year on the campuses of the public colleges and universities. The Executive Committee suggests that meetings in 1985 be held at the following institutions:

January 10, 1985	USC-Lancaster
April 4, 1985	Lander College
October 3, 1985	Winthrop College

The Executive Committee recommends Commission approval of this schedule of meetings in 1985. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gaylon Syrett
Gaylon Syrett, Recording Secretary