

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

December 3, 1987
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. William J. Whitener, Acting Chairman
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.
Mr. Tom Moore Craig
Dr. Willa J. DeWitt
Mr. Palmer Freeman, Sr.
Mr. Marvin C. Jones
Dr. Alba M. Lewis
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.
Ms. Mildred R. Williams
Dr. Robert F. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. George L. Brightharp
Mr. Walter E. Brooker
Mr. Roger E. Henderson
Ms. Reba Ann Kinon
Mr. Vernon McGuire
Ms. Nelle H. Taylor
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

STAFF

Dr. Jeffrey Bartkovich
Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.
Ms. Sandra Carr
Dr. Jeanette A. Deas
Dr. Frank E. Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. James A. Paschal
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Mr. John E. Smalls
Dr. Leonard P. Sternbach
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon Syrett
Ms. Julia E. Wells

GUESTS

Dr. Ann Baker
Dr. Paul Blowers
Dr. Gene Gallucio
Dr. Wade Hobgood
Dr. H. M. Holderfield
Dr. James Hudgins
Mr. Thomas Kinard
Mr. Al McCrackin
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Dr. W. David Maxwell
Dr. William C. Moran
Dr. W. Marcus Newberry
Dr. Terry Peterson
Mr. William T. Putnam
Mr. David P. Rinker
Mr. James Salley
Ms. Ardis Savory
Dr. Roger Sawyer
Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab
Dr. Thomas Sills
Dr. W. Allen Smith
Dr. Robert Waller
Dr. Edwin F. Wilde
Mr. Jack Wilson

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Sid Gaulden
Mr. Scott Johnson
Ms. Jenny Munro

I. Presentation of Certificate

Mr. Whitener presented a framed certificate to Mr. J. Lacy McLean, founding president and chief executive officer of the South Carolina Foundation of Independent Colleges and of the South Carolina College Council, Inc., in recognition of his contributions to higher education in South Carolina over the past 34 years. Mr. McLean plans to retire at the end of December.

Mr. Whitener noted that Dr. Oscar C. Page, vice president for academic affairs at Lander College since 1978, has been named president of Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn., effective January 1. Mr. Whitener stated that Dr. Page has always been most helpful in a number of areas, including desegregation, and has shown a strong commitment to higher education in South Carolina.

II. Minutes of Meeting of November 5, 1987

It was moved (R. Williams), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of November 5, 1987, be approved as written.

III. Report of Committee on Academic Affairs

In the absence of Mr. Turner, chairman of the Committee on Academic Affairs, Dr. Lewis presented the report of the Committee on the following matters:

Consideration of Proposals for New Programs

a. M.S. in Applied Psychology, Clemson University. Clemson proposes to implement in fall 1988 a program leading to the Master of Science degree in applied psychology with tracks in human factors psychology and industrial/organizational psychology. The Committee recommends approval for implementation in fall 1988 provided that no "unique cost" funding will be requested. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education and M.Ed. in Remediation, Francis Marion College. Francis Marion College proposes to implement a new program leading to the Master of Education degree in early childhood education for implementation in June 1988. The college also seeks approval to implement a new program leading to the M.Ed. in remediation. The Committee recommends approval of the two programs for implementation in June 1988 provided that no "unique cost" or other special State appropriation will be required or requested. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. M.F.A. in Art and Design, Winthrop College. Winthrop proposes to implement a new program leading to the Master of Fine Arts degree in art and design in January 1988. The M.F.A. will replace the M.S. in Textiles, Clothing, and Interior Design formerly offered by the now dissolved School of Consumer Science. The Committee recommends approval for implementation in January 1988 provided that no "unique cost" or other special State appropriation will be required or requested. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

d. Writing Institute, Lander College. Lander proposes to establish a new Writing Institute in January 1988. The Committee recommends approval for implementation in January 1988 provided that no "unique cost" funds will be required or requested and provided further that by January 1, 1989, Lander College will submit for review by the Committee a report on the initial year's activity of the Institute. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (Craig), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

e. Center for the Study of Aging, MUSC. The Medical University proposes to establish a Center for the Study of Aging. The Center will be divided into a division of geriatrics and a division of aging policy and education. The Committee recommends approval for implementation immediately provided that no "unique cost" or other special State appropriations will be required or requested. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

f. University of South Carolina Institute for Biological Research and Technology, USC. USC proposes to implement immediately a University of South Carolina Institute for Biological Research and Technology. The Committee recommends approval for immediate implementation, without any commitment to "unique cost" funding. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (Askins), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

It was moved (Askins), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the staff request representatives from the three universities to meet as an ad hoc committee for the purpose of determining possible areas of cooperation among the universities in research in the field of biotechnology.

g. Architecture Center at the College of Charleston, Clemson University. The College of Architecture, Clemson University, proposes to establish a Center at the College of Charleston in January 1988 to provide an enhanced education experience for students pursuing architectural studies through exposure to the unique architectural milieu of Charleston. The Committee recommends approval for implementation in January 1988 provided that no "unique cost" or other special State appropriations will be required or requested. It was moved (Lewis), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

IV. Report of Committee on Facilities

In the absence of Mr. Brightharp, chairperson of the Committee on Facilities, Mr. Brooks reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of Renovation, Clemson University. Clemson requests authorization to renovate and remove asbestos in six bathrooms and six utility rooms of Mauldin Hall at a cost of \$685,000, to be financed with operating and housing improvement funds. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Consideration of Baseball Stadium Addition, Clemson University. Clemson requests authorization to add 2,000 permanent seats, a visitor's locker room, and a batting practice area in the Tiger Baseball Stadium at a cost of \$750,000. This project was included in Clemson's 1987 Annual Permanent Improvement Plan, to be financed with Athletic Department funds. The Commission disapproved this request because it believed the institution should spend its money on critically needed programs due to the 88% funding level appropriated. Clemson has resubmitted the project using non-institutional IPTAY funds. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Consideration of Purchase of Southern Bell Building, USC School of Medicine. The USC School of Medicine requests authorization to purchase the Southern Bell building located near Richland Memorial Hospital, to be funded with the savings on rent that will be paid to Richland Memorial Hospital for 1988-89. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks) and seconded (DeWitt) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Sheheen noted that USC-Columbia had requested a clinical research and education facility in its 1988 five-year Overall Permanent Improvement Plan. He asked if the Southern Bell facility would replace the need for the clinical research and education facility. Mr. David P. Rinker, USC Vice President for Physical Facilities, stated that it will eliminate the immediate need for such a facility. Mr. Sheheen stated that approval of the proposed facility will represent a major obstacle in any future request by USC for a clinical research facility. The motion was adopted.

d. Consideration of Modification of Lease, USC-Columbia. USC-Columbia requests authorization to modify an existing lease agreement for the Columbia campus at 900 Assembly Street to include the rental of 21,000 additional square feet. Annual rent will be \$198,000. The University plans to pay the remainder of the first year's rent from its current operating funds and requests "unique cost" funding for the year beginning 1988-89. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

e. Consideration of Asbestos Removal, USC-Spartanburg. USC-Spartanburg requests authorization to remove asbestos from the Administration Building before renovation can begin. Funds were authorized in the 1986 Bond Bill for the renovation work. Cost of the project is \$750,000, to be funded from Capital Improvement Bonds. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks), seconded (Craig), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

f. Consideration of Temporary Housing, USC-Spartanburg. USC-Spartanburg requests approval to rent 20 mobile units for temporary housing during the Administration Building asbestos removal process at a cost of \$81,000 for nine months, the projected construction time. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brooks) and seconded (Lewis) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. In response to a question by Dr. DeWitt, Mr. Rinker stated that there is no available space on or near the campus where administrative offices might be temporarily located. Dr. DeWitt expressed the opinion that \$450 per month for 20 mobile units seems unnecessarily expensive. She also commented that nine months seems a very long time for such a project. After discussion, the motion was adopted.

g. Consideration of Acquisition of Land, USC-Spartanburg. USC-Spartanburg requests authorization to use 88.2 acres of county property that was made available to the college by the county on May 13, 1987. The property will be used for parking, athletic playing fields, and other related activities. USC-Spartanburg will be responsible for maintenance of the property. The Committee recommends approval of use of the property and inclusion of it in the college's land inventory. It was moved (Brooks), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

V. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

Dr. Williams, chairperson of the Committee on Business and Finance, reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of Funding for lease, USC-Columbia. USC requests "unique cost" funds beginning in 1988-89 for the modification of a lease agreement for the Columbia campus at 900 Assembly Street to include the rental of 21,000 additional square feet. The Committee recommends that the 1988-89 "unique cost" step of the formula be modified to include the additional rent in the amount of \$198,000. It was moved (R. Williams), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Consideration of Funding for Lease, USC-Spartanburg. USC-Spartanburg requests \$154,920 in "unique cost" funds for relocation costs associated with the asbestos removal and renovation of the Administration Building. The Committee recommends that the 1988-89 "unique cost" step of the formula be amended to include the \$154,920. It was moved (R. Williams), seconded (M. Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Report on 1988-89 Allocation. Mr. R. Williams reported on the Commission's adjusted 1988-89 allocation based on the Governor's budget at 91% of formula and adopted by the Budget and Control Board on November 25, 1987.

VI. Report of the Commissioner

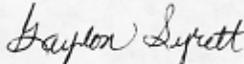
Mr. Sheheen reported on the following matters:

a. Progress in Promoting The Cutting Edge. Mr. Sheheen stated that the Commission and the staff are making progress in following the strategies for promoting implementation of The Cutting Edge. Meetings have been scheduled with newspaper editors; a series of programs is scheduled to be shown on the South Carolina Education Television Network; meetings with civic and business leaders are being held; and a speakers bureau has been established. A press conference will be held in the Commission's conference room on December 15.

b. Conference on Humanities. Mr. Sheheen reported that he will attend a two-day conference on the humanities, sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation, on December 3-4 in Los Angeles.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,



Gaylon Syrett
Recording Secretary