

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

September 4, 1986
10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor, Chairman
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.
Mr. George L. Brightharp
Mr. Tom Moore Craig
Dr. Willa J. DeWitt
Mr. John P. Faris
Mr. Palmer Freeman, Sr.
Mr. Robert E. Graham
Mr. Marvin C. Jones
Dr. Alba M. Lewis
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.
Mr. William J. Whitener
Dr. Robert F. Williams

GUESTS

Dr. Ann Baker
Dr. Francis T. Borkowski
Dr. H. M. Holderfield
Dr. Vermelle Johnson
Dr. Carolyn McIver
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
Dr. Terry Peterson
Dr. Martha Kime Piper
Mr. William T. Putnam
Governor Richard W. Riley
Dr. Olin Sansbury
Dr. Michael Smith
Dr. Thomas C. Stanton
Dr. Edwin F. Wilde

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Walter E. Brooker
Mr. Vernon McGuire

STAFF

Dr. Jeffrey Bartkovich
Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.
Dr. Jeanette A. Deas
Dr. Frank E. Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Jean Manheimer
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Dr. James A. Paschal
Mr. John E. Smalls
Dr. Leonard P. Sternbach
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon Syrett
Ms. Julia E. Wells

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Sid Gaulden
Mr. Scott Johnson
Ms. Tony Sadler
Ms. Maureen Shurr

I. Report of Committee on Facilities

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

Consideration of Child Development Center, Greenville Technical College. The State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education requests authorization for Greenville Technical College to construct a one-story, 15,000-square-foot Child Development Center at a cost of \$1,000,000, to be financed with institution funds. The Committee on Facilities recommends approval. It was moved (Graham), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

II. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

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

a. Consideration of 1986-87 Budget of the Charleston Higher Education Consortium. Dr. Williams noted that the Appropriation Act requires that the Charleston Higher Education Consortium submit its budget to the Commission each year. The 1986-76 budget totals \$472,320, including \$222,245 in State funds. The Committee on Business and Finance recommends approval. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Consideration of Recommendations Concerning 1987-88 Appropriation Requests of the Public Colleges and Universities and SBTCE. On August 26, 1986, the Business and Finance Committee reviewed the 1987-88 appropriation requests of the public colleges and universities and the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education for the purpose of making recommendations for consideration by the full Commission.

The Committee based its review and recommendations, for all institutions other than the Charleston Higher Education Consortium, on requests computed through the 1987-88 Appropriation Formula. The Charleston Higher Education Consortium's request was reviewed as presented in its budget request. Careful attention was given to the oral presentations made to the Commission on August 25 and 26, 1986, by the presidents of the colleges and universities and the Executive Director of SBTCE.

The Committee took note of the fact that several institutions continue to request funds for academic and computer equipment and deferred maintenance. The Committee believes that these requests should be given separate consideration but not as a part of the 1987-88 appropriations for continuing operations, since these requests are primarily for one-time expenditures rather than for on-going programs. The Committee recommends, therefore, that if a supplemental appropriations bill is introduced for 1986-87, the Commission be given the opportunity to make the institutions' needs known for consideration at that time.

The Citadel. The Committee recommends \$13,018,237, including in Unique Costs \$656,200 (military college costs). It was moved (Williams) seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Graham stated for the record that he opposes the \$99,680 recommended for military museum and archives operations.

South Carolina State College. The Committee recommends \$18,882,177, including in Unique Costs \$350,000 (Felton Laboratory School); \$600,000 (Desegregation Plan funding); \$300,000 (Division of Development and Institutional Relations); and \$209,000 (funding for implementation of recommendations for image assessment and recruitment of other race students). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Turner), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Winthrop College. The Committee recommends \$18,089,902, including in Unique Costs \$144,000 (University Affiliated Facilities Program) and \$228,650 (equipment to enhance chemistry program). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

College of Charleston. The Committee recommends \$17,802,425, including in Unique Costs \$612,649 (additional funding for security); \$221,051 (maintenance of historical buildings); \$31,360 (rental of academic facilities); and \$94,463 (continuation of funding for Avery Research Center). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Brightharp opposed.

Francis Marion College. The Committee recommends \$10,096,956, including in Unique Costs \$233,200 (Joint Francis Marion/MUSC Nursing Program). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Utsey), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Lander College. The Committee recommends \$7,657,752, including in Unique Costs \$21,517 (rent of student parking facilities and faculty offices). It was moved (Williams), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Aiken. The Committee recommends \$5,908,869, including in Unique Costs \$300,000 (library books). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Coastal. The Committee recommends \$7,765,011, including in Unique Costs \$320,000 (library books) and \$342,869 (rent). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Utsey suggested that the staff look into the proliferation of rent by the colleges and universities.

USC-Spartanburg. The Committee recommends \$7,451,921. It was moved (Williams), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Beaufort. The Committee recommends \$1,223,830. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Lancaster. The Committee recommends \$1,984,294.

USC-Salkehatchie. The Committee recommends \$1,302,925.

USC-Sumter. The Committee recommends \$2,874,334.

USC-Union. The Committee recommends \$768,687.

It was moved (Williams), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee with respect to USC-Lancaster, USC-Salkehatchie, USC-Sumter, and USC-Union be adopted. Mr. Brightharp abstained.

USC School of Medicine. The Committee recommends \$15,757,342. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Turner), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

USC-Columbia. The Committee recommended \$116,589,090, including in Unique Costs \$1,474,033 (rent); \$150,000 (Poison Control Center); \$515,000 (Small Business Development Center); \$450,000 (National Science Foundation Match); and \$43,985 (National Center for the Study of the Freshman Year Experience).

Dr. Williams noted that in 1985 the Commission approved USC's request to lease the Koger Fine Arts Center from the Carolina Research and Development Foundation for \$800,000 for a period of 10 years beginning in January 1987. The Commission's approval stipulated that USC's rent request for this facility not be funded as a unique item in the budget, but that funding be requested from the General Assembly directly as a line item. The Committee therefore recommends that the Commission support funding of the Koger Center by the General Assembly as a separate line item. It was moved (Williams) and seconded (Turner) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. The motion was amended (Jones) and seconded (Graham) to add the \$800,000 requested by USC for rent for the Koger Center as a Unique Cost item rather than as a separate line item. After further discussion, Mr. Graham withdrew his second. The amendment was disapproved. The motion was adopted.

Clemson University. The Committee recommends \$64,897,082, including in Unique Costs \$611,034 (Fire Department); \$472,000 (Clean Room); and \$288,750 (Energy Research Center). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Utsey), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Graham suggested that funding for the Energy Research and Development Center be examined.

Medical University of South Carolina -- Academic Division. The Committee recommends \$76,150,746, including in Unique Costs \$998,395 (rent). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

MUSC -- Hospital. The Committee recommends \$14,389,012. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Askins), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

MUSC -- Consortium of Community Teaching Hospitals. The Committee recommends \$14,472,368, including \$4,764,515 (graduate doctor education); \$6,423,468 (family practice residencies); \$2,212,358 (ABEC contracts); and \$1,072,027 (administration). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Whitener), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Charleston Higher Education Consortium. The Committee recommends \$222,245. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Whitener), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education (Instruction Programs Only). The Committee recommends \$87,972,440, including \$2,000,000 (recurring equipment) and \$2,607,744 (request to keep revenue step adjustment at 14.21%). It was moved (Williams), seconded (Freeman), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Mr. Utsey suggested that the revenue step adjustment be examined at other two-year institutions.

Richland Memorial Hospital. The University of South Carolina, on behalf of Richland Memorial Hospital (RMH), requested that RMH be reimbursed for its unfunded teaching costs associated with the USC School of Medicine. Using

the formula adopted by the Commission for the Medical University Hospital, the request totals \$4,286,923. The Committee recommends that the decision to fund unreimbursed teaching costs be deferred for one year, until a study of the issue by the staffs of the Commission, RMH, and USC can be completed. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Jones), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

It was moved (Williams), seconded (Whitener), and voted that if a supplemental appropriations bill is introduced for 1987-88, the Commission be given the opportunity to make the institutions' needs known for consideration at that time. Mrs. Taylor suggested that any items recommended for funding resulting from recommendations by task forces also be included under supplemental funding.

III. Presentation by Governor Riley

Mrs. Taylor introduced Governor Richard W. Riley, who discussed with the Commission the report, "Time for Results: The Governors' 1991 Report on Education," published by the 1986 National Governors Association.

IV. Report of the Executive Director

Presentation to Budget and Control Board. Mr. Brooks noted that the Commission will meet with the Budget and Control Board, the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee on Tuesday, September 16 at 2:00 p.m. The first item on the agenda will be a panel discussion concerning issues in higher education, followed by presentation of the Commission's recommendations for 1987-88 appropriation requests. He urged Commission members to attend, if possible.

V. Other Business

Further Discussion of Funding for Avery Research Center. Mr. Brightharp noted that the Commission approved unique funding for the Avery Research Center at the College of Charleston for 1986-87. The College requested for 1987-88 increased funding for the addition of two staff members. The Committee on Business and Finance recommended, and the Commission approved, funding for 1987-88 at the 1986-87 level. Mr. Brightharp suggested that a member of the Commission's staff visit the Center in an advisory capacity and report on the progress of the Center and the need for expansion within the College of Charleston.

Dr. Lewis stated that the present facility is inadequate to accommodate the program, and increased funding must be provided if the Center is to expand. It was moved (Brightharp), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the Commission staff visit the Center and develop closer communication with the administration of College of Charleston and the staff of the Avery Research Center to determine its long-range goals.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gaylon Syrett
Gaylon Syrett
Recording Secretary