

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the
South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
1333 Main Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

May 2, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Dalton B. Floyd, Jr., Chairman
Ms. Margaret M. Addison
Ms. Rosemary H. Byerly
Ms. Susan Cole
Dr. Larry Jackson
Dr. Vermelle Johnson
Gen. Thomas R. Olsen
Mr. Dan Ravenel
Dr. David E. Shi

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Dianne Chinnes
Ms. Lorraine Dimery
Ms. Cathy Harvin
Dr. Harry Lightsey, Jr.
Mr. Carl Solomon

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Rayburn Barton
Mr. Michael Brown
Ms. Joellen Cook
Ms. Lorinda Copeland
Ms. Renea Eshleman
Mr. Charlie FitzSimons
Ms. Betsy Gunter
Ms. Yolanda Hudson
Mr. Walter Jackson
Dr. Nancy Healy
Dr. Lynn Kelly
Mr. Alan Krech
Dr. David Loope
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Dr. Gail Morrison
Dr. Mike Raley
Mr. John Smalls
Dr. Lovely Ulmer-Sottong
Ms. Julie Wahl
Dr. Nancy Williams
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

GUESTS

Mr. Tony Aleca
Dr. Corey Amaker
Dr. Margaret Amick
Mr. John Bowman
Dr. Les Carpenter
Mr. Bill Christiansen
Ms. Mary Jo Cook
Mr. Joe Cooper
Dr. Ron Cottle
Dr. Anthony Coyne
Mr. Daniel Dukes
Dr. David Dunlap
Mr. David Fleming
Mr. Mac Gaskins
Dr. Charles Gauldin
Mr. Eddie Gunn
Dr. Willis Ham
Dr. Gary Hansen
Col. Curt Holland
Dr. Sally Horner
Dr. David Hunter
Dr. Tim Hurley
Ms. Star Kepner
Mr. Thornton Kirby
Mr. Rod Kruz
Mr. Scott Ludlow
Mr. Mike Lusk
Dr. Harry Matthews
Mr. Gary McCombs
Mr. J.P. McKee
Dr. Lila Meeks
Mr. Bob Mellon
Dr. Bob Mignone
Ms. Linda Nottestad
Ms. Jackie Olsen
Dr. John Palms
Mr. Rick Pancke
Dr. Patricia Reed-Hunter
Mr. Colin Sayer

Mr. Charles Shawver
Dr. John Simpson
Dr. Gordon Smith
Dr. Teresa Smith
Mr. John South

Dr. Rita Teal
Dr. Jane Upshaw
Mr. Jonathan Walsh

For the record, notification of the meeting was made to the media as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

1. **Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Floyd. He welcomed guests to the meeting and Mr. Charlie FitzSimons was then asked to introduce guests present.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Floyd called for a motion from the floor to approve the minutes as submitted. The **motion** was made (Cole), **seconded** (Johnson) and **carried** to approve the minutes as submitted.

Chairman's Report

-Chairman Dalton Floyd

The Governor's Reception for the Palmetto Fellows, sponsored by the CHE Foundation, will be May 15 on the State House grounds. The Governor will meet with the Palmetto Fellows in the rotunda area of the State House at 3:30 and then proceed to the South steps of the State House where he will deliver an address and publicly recognize the Palmetto Fellows. Light refreshments will be served in a tented area on the State House Grounds.

On Monday, April 29, in Beaufort and on Wednesday, May 1, in Columbia, the Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding Committee held hearings to receive public comment on the University of South Carolina Beaufort's request for a mission change to become a baccalaureate degree-granting institution. The full Commission will act on this item in June.

Chairman Floyd then called on Dr. John Palms for his presentation. Dr. Palms shared his views on higher education in South Carolina and publicly thanked Dr. Barton for his leadership over the past five years. Dr. Palms is leaving the University of South Carolina; Dr. Andrew Sorenson of the University of Alabama will assume the presidency of the University of South Carolina July 1, 2002.

Gen. Tom Olsen, Chairman of the Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding Committee was asked to comment on the public hearings held on the USCS request for change in mission. He reported that there were approximately 60 in attendance in Beaufort and 90 here in Columbia.

In years past, the CHE held budget hearings, during which all institutions presented their requests to the full Commission. Due to the number of new institution presidents in South Carolina and the number of new commissioners appointed this year, it was agreed that reinstituting this practice would be good. Plans for an afternoon and morning in August are being made and will be further discussed at the June meeting.

3. Committee Reports

3.01 Report of the Executive Committee

-Chairman Dalton Floyd

(No Report)

See Chairman's Report regarding conference call.

3.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

-Dr. Larry Jackson

A. Consideration of Initial License Requests:

1. Beacon College and Graduate School, Columbus, GA, at Spartanburg:

- ◆ A.A., Biblical Studies; B.A., Biblical Studies; M.A., Biblical Studies;
- ◆ M.A., Practical Ministry; M. Divinity, Divinity

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the Commission approve initial licensure for five years of Beacon College and Graduate School to offer in Spartanburg the programs leading to the A.A., B.A., and M.A. degrees in Biblical Studies, M.A. degree in Practical Ministry, and M.Div. degree. **ATT I**

Dr. Jackson reminded the Commission that, in looking at licensing requests brought before the Commission, it needed to be remembered that, due to the fact that it is written into the law that stifling of competition is not allowed, there was no choice but to grant licensure provided the programs have integrity and the consumer is protected.

On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, a **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Addison) and unanimously **carried** to grant initial licensure for five years to Beacon College and Graduate School.

2. Troy State University, Troy, AL at Charleston and Sumter

- ◆ M.Ed., with concentrations in Educational Leadership; Instructional Technology; Criminal Justice; Counseling and Psychology
- ◆ M.S., Management with concentrations in Healthcare Management; Human Resources Management; and Leadership and Organizational Effectiveness
- ◆ M.S., Human Resources Management
- ◆ M.P.A., with concentrations in Public Management and Public Personnel Management

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the Commission approve initial licensure for five years of Troy State University and that the Commission delegate to the staff authorization to license sites in Sumter and Charleston as facilities are developed to support the curricula. **ATT II**

On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, a **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to grant Troy State University initial licensure for five years, per the stated recommendation.

B. Consideration of License Renewal Request:

Webster University, St. Louis, MO, at Charleston, Columbia, Greenville, and Myrtle Beach:

- ◆ M.A., Business (except Greenville); Computer Resources and Information Management; Counseling; Health Services Management (Columbia campus only); Human Resources Management; Management
- ◆ M.B.A., Computer Resources and Information Management; Health Services Management (Columbia campus only); Human Resources Development; Management

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the Commission approve renewal of the license for five years of Webster University to offer the programs leading to the M.A., in Business (except Greenville); Computer Resources and Information Management; Counseling; Health Services Management (Columbia campus only); Human Resources Management; Management; and the programs leading to the M.B.A. in Computer Resources and Information Management; Health Services Management (Columbia campus only); Human Resources Development; and Management. **ATT III**

On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, a **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Johnson) and **carried** to approve the recommendation as stated above and grant Webster University renewal of their license for five years.

C. Consideration of Amendments to License Request:

- ◆ ITT Technical Institute, Indianapolis, IN, at Greenville and On-Line:
- ◆ B.S., Technical Project Management for Electronic Commerce

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the Commission approve amendments to the license of ITT Technical Institution to offer a program leading to the B.S. degree in Technical Project Management for Electronic Commerce at the Greenville campus and to recruit South Carolina residents into the on-line/distance education version of the program offered through the ITT campus in Indianapolis, Indiana. **ATT IV**

On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, a **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to approve the amendments to the license of ITT Technical Institute as outlined above.

D. Consideration of Requests to Renew License and Amendment to License:

South University, Savannah, GA, at Columbia:

- ◆ B.S., Legal Studies; Associate in Accounting, Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Medical Assisting, Paralegal Studies; Certificate in Paralegal Studies (**License Renewal Request**)
- ◆ Associate in Information Technology; B.S., Information Technology; B.B.A., Business Administration (**Amendment to License**)

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the Commission approve renewal of the license for five years of South University including an amendment to add the programs leading to the Associate degree in Information Technology; the B.S. degree in Information Technology; and the B.B.A. degree in Business Administration. **ATT V**

On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, the **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Ravenel) and **carried** to approve the recommendation of the Committee as stated above.

E. Consideration of Follow-Up Report to Consultants' Evaluation of Existing Programs in Performing and Visual Arts, FY 1997:

- ♦ Clemson University (B.F.A., Fine Arts) and
- ♦ S.C. State University (B.A., Art with a Concentration in Printmaking)

Recommendations: The Committee recommends that:

1. The Committee recommends that the Commission grant full approval status for the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Fine Arts at Clemson University.
2. The Committee recommends that the Commission grant the continuation of provisional approval status for the Bachelor of Arts in Art with a Concentration in Printmaking at South Carolina State University until the Commission approves the proposed expansion of the existing program, as outlined in the University's program planning summary. Upon Commission approval of the expanded program and its four new concentrations, the modified Bachelor of Arts in Studio Arts will be granted full approval status. **ATT VI**

Dr. Jackson called upon Dr. Gail Morrison for further explanation of the process. Dr. Morrison reviewed the process of Consultants' Evaluation and follow-up in detail and restated the recommendation of the Committee. On behalf of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing, the **motion** (Jackson) was made, **seconded** (Ravenel) and **carried** to approve the recommendation of the Committee as stated above.

F. Consideration of Annual Report for S.C. Instructional Technology Grants Initiative

Recommendations: The Committee recommends that the Commission accept this report for information only and that the staff be authorized to continue follow-up on the three projects for which the evaluation component is incomplete.

Dr. Jackson explained that the annual report is for information only. Copies were distributed with the agenda and a copy of that report is **Attachment VII**.

3.03 Committee on Finance and Facilities

-Ms. Rosemary Byerly

A. Interim Projects

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
College of Charleston	Purchase 207 Calhoun	\$ 1,500,000
	New Library Construction	4,500,000
	Stern Student Center Renovation	600,000
	Simons Center for the Arts Expan.	<u>14,000,000</u>
	Total Coll. of Charleston	\$ 20,600,000
Winthrop University	Tennis Complex Construction	\$ 700,000

Greenville TC	New Student Intake Center	\$ 3,000,000
	Northwest Campus Land Acq.	<u>2,290,000</u>
	Total Greenville TC	\$ 5,290,000

SC TC System/Midlands TC		
	Constr. Whse/Renov. Fire Acad.	\$ 2,900,000

Leases

		<u>Annual Amt.</u>	<u>Term</u>
Clemson University	Lease Research Bldg. from SCRA	\$ 1,832,000/yr	- 20yr
College of Charleston	Lease Academic Space from SCRA	216,000/yr	- 5yr
	Lease Space in Jewish Studies Bldg.	98,000/yr	- 5 yr

Ms. Byerly went through the interim requests first and recapped the terms and dollar amounts, stating that they had been approved at the Committee level and made a **motion, seconded** by Ms. Cole, voted on and **carried**, that the Commission approve these projects as reported above. **ATT VIII**

B. Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plans (CPIP)

Ms. Byerly stated that this was the first year the Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plan reporting in a combined report and asked that Mr. Smalls summarize the changes and exactly what is being considered. Mr. Smalls explained the process and, on behalf of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, a **motion** (Byerly) was made, **seconded** (Ravenel), and **carried** to approve these projects as outlined in **ATT VIII**.

**3.04 Report of Committee on Planning, Assessment
and Performance Funding**

(No Report)

- Gen. Tom Olsen

**3.05 Report of the Committee on Access, Equity
& Student Services**

(No Report)

-Ms. Sue Cole

4. Report of the Executive Director

- ◆ The Lottery spending plan has not been resolved; the Conference Committee is still meeting. Endowed Chairs are being considered at the level \$30 million.
- ◆ The Conference Committee has yet to be appointed; however, there two versions of the budget recommendations—one bad and one worse. The House budget contains a 4% cut for higher education, including CHE; the Senate budget has a 9.5% for the institutions as well as for the Commission. We expect to hear next week the membership of the Conference Committee.
- ◆ The Trustee Conference for public and private colleges and universities in the State will be October 3rd and 4th at the Madren Conference Center on the campus of Clemson University. We are again working with the Center for Public Trustee Governance at the Association of Governing Boards. Governor Hodges has been invited to deliver the keynote address and there will be national speakers on the second day.
- ◆ The Commission has been asked to submit an implementation grant proposal as follow up to the present FIPSE grant, and that is being prepared. The full proposal in the amount of 1.4 million, will include four other states (Connecticut, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Oregon). Dr. Barton was invited to speak to the FIPSE National board prior to getting the invitation to submit the full proposal and was pleased to attend.
- ◆ A grant proposal in the amount of \$33 million aimed at improving middle school science and mathematics teachers has been submitted to the National Science Foundation. Dr. Gail Morrison and Dr. Nancy Healy are principal investigators and will be working with the Department of Education and a number of school districts.
- ◆ The Commission will hold a dinner on June 5 recognizing the session of those Commissioners who will be leaving the Commission.
- ◆ The Commission has received a letter from Chairman Townsend asking us to withdraw, amend and resubmit proposed regulations in the licensing area. Some of the recommendations were not well received and thus the request that they be amended and resubmitted.

6. Other Business

7. **Adjournment** – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted,



Betsy R. Gunter
Recording Secretary

Attachments I-VIII

*Attachments are not included in this mailing, but will be filed with the permanent file of these minutes and are available for review upon request.