

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

February 1, 1973  
9:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

PRESENT:

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mr. John K. Cauthen  
Mr. Alester G. Furman, III  
Mr. William H. Grier  
Colonel J. M. J. Holliday  
Mr. Gedney M. Howe, Jr.  
Mr. F. Mitchell Johnson  
(for Mr. Rogers)  
Mr. T. Eston Marchant  
Dr. Harrison L. Peeples  
Mr. Alex M. Quattlebaum  
Mr. Y. W. Scarborough, Jr.  
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen  
Dr. R. Cathcart Smith, Chairman  
Mr. I. P. Stanback  
Mr. T. Emmet Walsh  
Mr. Othniel H. Wienges, Jr.

GUESTS

General Wallace E. Anderson  
Dr. Cyril B. Busbee  
Dr. Thomas F. Jones  
Mr. J. Lacy McLean  
Mr. O. Stanley Smith, Jr.  
Dr. Theodore S. Stern

STAFF

Mr. James R. Michael  
Mr. William C. Jennings  
Dr. Frank E. Kinard  
Mr. Alan S. Krech

I. Approval of Minutes of January 4, 1973, Meeting of the Commission on Higher Education

A motion was made (Cauthen) and seconded (Holliday) that the minutes of the January 4, 1973, meeting of the Commission on Higher Education be approved. The motion was passed unanimously.

## II. Consideration of Recommended Revisions to Rules and Procedures of the Commission on Higher Education

A motion was made (Cauthen) and seconded (Sheheen) and unanimously adopted to rewrite Item I. 6. of Procedures Concerning Commission Meetings as follows:

No Commission member, including ex officio member as defined in Section I of Act 194 (1967), shall designate an alternate to attend meetings; provided, however, that this prohibition not apply in the event illness prevents the attendance of an ex officio member at more than one or a series of Commission meetings.

A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Grier) and unanimously adopted that the following statement be added to Item III of Procedures Concerning Commission Committees:

All Committees will be appointed annually at the January meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible. Members may be reappointed.

It was requested by Mr. James A. Rogers that the following item be added to the Rules and Procedures of the Commission:

"In the event any Board of Trustees has two or more four-year colleges under its governance, two representatives of the Board may attend all meetings and participate in Commission discussions; provided, however, that only one trustee holds ex officio membership on the Commission for the purpose of voting. "

A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Stanback) that this item not be added to the Rules and Procedures of the Commission. The motion was passed unanimously.

It was also requested by Mr. Rogers that Item 6 of the Policy and Procedures Concerning New Programs be changed as follows:

"Appearances before the Commission by institutional representatives on behalf of proposed programs are not required, but are desirable, and may be requested. "

A motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Holliday) that this change in the Policy and Procedures Concerning New Programs not be accepted. The motion was passed unanimously.

### III. Jurisdiction Over Branches That Become Four-Year Institutions

It was called to the attention of the Commission by Mr. Michael that Section 2 of the act creating the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education contained the authority for the branches of the universities in the state to add junior and senior level courses upon reaching stated required enrollment levels, and that these branches would remain under the administrative and jurisdictional control of the local governing boards and the board of trustees of the university concerned. In Section 8 of the same act it was stated that all additional four-year institutions created under the act shall be under the control of the State College Board of Trustees, which seemed to be contradictory to the previous statement. After general discussion it was agreed by the Commission that a ruling on who has jurisdiction over branches which become four-year institutions would be requested from the Attorney General. This will be discussed further at the March meeting of the Commission.

### IV. Agreement Between South Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the Commission on Higher Education

Mr. Michael presented to the Commission for approval a draft agreement between the South Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the Commission on Higher Education for utilization of the marine science facilities at Fort Johnson by the institutions of higher education and the Wildlife Resources Commission. The agreement provides that the Wildlife Resources Commission will build and maintain a marine science facility at Fort Johnson, part of which will be available to the institutions for their graduate and research programs. The agreement also recognizes the need for a separate marine science facility for the undergraduate program of the College of Charleston which will be available to all institutions for undergraduate programs in marine science. In addition, it is written into the agreement that the educational and research programs conducted by the colleges and universities will remain the sole responsibility of the colleges and universities. The draft agreement has been approved by the college and university presidents.

A motion was made (Quattlebaum) and seconded (Howe) that the draft agreement between the South Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the Commission on Higher Education be approved. The motion was passed unanimously.

### V. Program Considerations

#### Clemson University

B. S. in Wood Utilization - (Second time to be considered. See Minutes of November 4, 1972, meeting of the Commission) - Dr. Kinard reported that data on seven similar programs in seven different southeastern states

indicated that all of these programs are small with enrollments of majors averaging five to ten students and average degree production around five per year per institution. The identifiable cost at Clemson does not seem excessive when compared with similar programs, all of which are high in per-unit cost because the enrollments are small. Dr. Kinard further reported that although this aspect had not been examined in detail, it was estimated that the cost of meeting any real student, as opposed to institutional, demand for this program through a contractual arrangement with the Southern Regional Education Board would probably be at least half as great as that proposed by Clemson, if Clemson's enrollment predictions are accurate. A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Furman) that the program be referred back to Clemson for an analysis of the cost of offering the course through a contractual arrangement with the Southern Regional Education Board as compared with costs for instituting the program at Clemson. The motion was passed unanimously.

M. S. and Ph. D. Programs in Nutritional Science - The Commission approved at the December 7, 1972, meeting a Master in Nutritional Science program at Clemson subject to the condition that Clemson justify, because of the low productivity record, the continuation of the existing M. S. and Ph. D. programs in Nutritional Science. Clemson has replied that the number of degrees previously reported is in error and that the number is somewhat higher, the research-oriented graduate programs provide a valuable service function to related graduate programs, and as programs unique to the state they should be continued, to meet state needs. A motion was made (Quattlebaum) and seconded (Marchant) that the justification of these programs by Clemson be accepted for continuation of the programs, pending further review by the Commission of all graduate programs in the state. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### University of South Carolina

Associate Degree Program for Military Personnel - The staff recommended that the proposal be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. That the programs and courses offered be restricted to the non-vocational, "non-terminal" type;
2. That access to the programs and courses be limited to military personnel on active duty and their dependents;

3. That the activity be approved for Shaw AFB, Fort Jackson, and Beaufort only;
4. That the Charleston Consortium Steering Committee be directed to explore the feasibility of meeting such needs in Charleston through a coordinated effort by the Charleston institutions.

A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Johnson) that the Council of Presidents, the staff of the Commission and the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education be requested to prepare for the Commission a coordinated program of state supported educational services to the military bases in the state and to bring it back to the Commission for further discussion within sixty days.

A motion was made (Marchant) and seconded (Cauthen) that Mr. Sheheen's motion be tabled and that the matter be considered on the basis of the staff recommendations. Mr. Marchant's motion failed to carry.

A substitute motion to Mr. Sheheen's motion was made (Walsh) and seconded (Marchant) that the Commission adopt the recommendations of the staff but change No. 4 to read Charleston Consortium Steering Committee, the staff of the Commission, the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education in consultation with the Council of Presidents, and to explore the feasibility of meeting such needs not only in the Charleston area but throughout the state. The substitute motion failed to carry.

Vote was taken on the original motion by Mr. Sheheen. The motion was passed. Mr. Walsh and Mr. Marchant were opposed.

### The Citadel

Sixth-Year Program in School Administration - The Citadel has applied to the State Board of Education for approval of a post-masters' program in School Administration to meet certification requirements for teachers who have completed thirty hours of acceptable credits beyond the masters' degree but have not completed the doctorate. The staff of the Commission contends that this constitutes a new program and should be approved by the Commission; The Citadel states that this is not a new program and does not require review and approval by the Commission. General Duckett stated in a letter to Mr. Michael dated January 16, 1973: "Our proposal as presented to the State Board of Education is simply a sequence of courses in school administration approved by our graduate council which

would qualify the individual for a certificate issued by that Board. In view of the fact that we already have an approved program for a major under the MAT in school administration, are giving no degree, diploma or certificate, and have not set up a new major or new minor, it is my considered opinion that this does not constitute in any way a new program." The staff has given the following reasons why the proposal should be submitted to the Commission as a new program:

1. The approval of The Citadel's own Graduate Council was required;
2. Eleven new graduate courses not previously offered by The Citadel will be required;
3. The program would operate at the post-masters' degree level which The Citadel nor any other of the state colleges is now authorized to do; and, therefore,
4. The proposed program does represent a new area of specialization at a new level for The Citadel.

After general discussion a motion was made (Cauthen) and seconded (Sheheen) that the proposed Citadel program leading to the Sixth-Year Certificate for school administrators is a program falling within the purview of the Commission and should be submitted to the Commission for approval.

A substitute motion was made (Holliday) and seconded (Marchant) that The Citadel proposal for a Sixth-Year program in School Administration for certification purposes be referred back to the State Department of Education for approval as this proposal is not a new program and does not require Commission review and approval. The substitute motion failed to carry.

Vote was taken on the original motion made by Mr. Cauthen which was passed. Colonel Holliday was opposed.

## VI. Capital Improvement Requests

### College of Charleston

The College of Charleston has submitted for approval a permanent improvement request for a new marine science center at Fort Johnson for the undergraduate program at the College of Charleston and other colleges and universities in the state. Total square footage is

15,000 at an estimated cost of \$714,000. A motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Johnson) and unanimously adopted that this request be recommended to the Budget and Control Board for approval.

#### Clemson University

The following permanent improvement requests have been submitted by Clemson:

1. Library Books	\$1,100,000
2. Educational Equipment	900,000
3. Replacement of obsolete heating and cooling equipment in Holtzendorf and Sirrine Halls	90,000
4. Renovations of the physical plant building compound - Phase I	75,000
5. Recreation-outdoor educational laboratory	75,000
6. Conversion, modification and addition of Clemson House for use as a Continuing Education Center	2,500,000
7. Student recreation and intramural athletic facilities	400,000
8. Addition to Kinard Laboratory for Physics Department	975,000

A motion was made (Quattlebaum) and seconded (Holliday) that all items be recommended to the Budget and Control Board for approval with the exception of No. 6 which is being taken care of in another way and to defer No. 7 until a further study is made. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### The Citadel

The Citadel has submitted for approval a permanent improvement request to construct four all-weather tennis courts at a cost of \$50,000 with funding to come from student fees and athletic department funds. A motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Grier) and unanimously adopted that this request be recommended to the Budget and Control Board for approval.

University of South Carolina

The University of South Carolina has submitted for approval the following permanent improvement requests:

1. An addition to Russell House, the student center, with gross square footage of 86,050 and an estimated cost of \$3,000,000 to be financed from student fees.
2. An addition to the physical education center for instruction in physical education and recreation for university personnel with gross square footage of 91,000 and an estimated cost of \$2,350,000 to be financed from student fees.
3. An addition to the parking garage with gross square footage of 152,000 and an estimated cost of \$1,300,000 to be financed from fees charged for parking.

A motion was made (Sheheen) and seconded (Howe) and unanimously adopted that the projects as submitted by the University of South Carolina be recommended to the Budget and Control Board for approval.

VII. Request for Information on Money Available for Bonding Purposes for Permanent Improvement Requests of Colleges and Universities

It was suggested by Mr. Wienges that an indication from the Budget and Control Board on how much bonding money is available for permanent improvement projects of the institutions of higher learning would be helpful to the Commission in making recommendations to the Budget and Control Board on capital improvement requests. In this connection a motion was made (Howe) and seconded (Sheheen) that the Budget and Control Board be requested to make available to the Commission the amount of bonding money available for permanent improvement requests of the colleges and universities. The motion was passed unanimously.

VIII. Communication From State College Board of Trustees on a Proposed Study of Higher Education in the Charleston Area

Mr. F. Mitchell Johnson presented to the Commission a copy of a memorandum to Mr. E. J. Bofferding of Cresap, McCormick, and Pagett, Inc., from Mr. James A. Rogers, Chairman, State College Board of Trustees, requesting on behalf of the Board that Mr. Bofferding undertake a study of needs in higher education in the Charleston area with special attention directed to the role and mission of the College of Charleston as well as the other four year colleges in the area. Mr. Johnson stated that the proposed merger of Palmer College and Charleston TEC into a community college could have significant impact on the College of Charleston and the Board felt a responsibility to determine the educational needs



for the Charleston area, what effect the proposed merger would have on the College and what the mission of the College was, with or without a community college. The memorandum which is attached to the minutes as Exhibit A was accepted as information by the Commission with the request that the study be completed as soon as possible.

IX. Request for Executive Session

A motion was made (Grier) and seconded (Holliday) and unanimously adopted that the Commission go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

X. Resolution Adopted by Commission in Executive Session

It was requested by the Commission that the following resolution which was unanimously adopted by the Commission in Executive Session February 1, 1973, be issued to the press and become a permanent part of the minutes of the meeting of February 1, 1973:

"The Commission's Search Committee has been instructed to begin a screening of candidates and applicants for the position of Chief Executive Officer.

Meanwhile, the Commission is quite pleased with the excellent work being done by the Supervisory Officer and the staff. We feel that the work of the Commission and the affairs of higher education are being handled in exemplary fashion.

While the screening process is beginning, it is not anticipated that a final selection will be made within the immediate future."

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