

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION  
August 24-25, 1987

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor, Chairperson  
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.  
Mr. George L. Brightharp  
Mr. Palmer Freeman, Sr.  
Mr. Roger E. Henderson  
Mr. Marvin C. Jones  
Mrs. Reba A. Kinon  
Dr. Alba M. Lewis  
Mr. Vernon McGuire  
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.  
Mr. William J. Whitener  
Mrs. Mim R. Williams  
Dr. Robert F. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Walter E. Brooker  
Mr. Tom Moore Craig  
Dr. Willa J. DeWitt  
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

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

STAFF

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

GUESTS

Mr. Andrew L. Abrams  
Dr. Ryan C. Amacher  
Dr. JoAnne Anderson  
Dr. Ann Baker  
Mr. P. Henderson Barnette  
Dr. George W. Bates  
Dr. Francis T. Borkowski  
Dr. Oscar P. Butler, Jr.  
Dr. Robert W. Denton  
Mr. Daniel Dukes  
Dr. James B. Edwards  
Mr. N. Casey Frederick  
Dr. William H. Golod  
Mr. Wade Green  
Maj. Gen. James A. Grimsley, Jr.  
Dr. Arthur L. Haisten  
Mr. Claybon Harris  
Dr. Sharon E. Hoffman  
Dr. James B. Holderman  
Mr. Earle Holley  
Dr. James L. Hudgins  
Dr. J. O'Neal Humphries  
Dr. Larry A. Jackson  
Dr. Edward Jackson  
Dr. J. Charles Jennett  
Dr. Kenneth K. Kyre  
Mr. David Larson  
Dr. Benjamin F. Lawson  
Lt. Col. B. W. Legare, Jr.  
Dr. Max Lennon  
Dr. Harry M. Lightsey, Jr.  
Col. C. G. Lyons  
Dr. W. David Maxwell  
Mr. Alden L. McCracken  
Dr. Carolyn McIver  
Mr. J. P. McKee  
Dr. Michael McCleod  
Mr. Robert Mellon  
Dr. James R. Morris, Jr.  
Dr. M. Maceo Nance, Jr.  
Dr. W. Marcus Newberry, Jr.  
Mr. Don Peterson  
Dr. Martha Kime Piper  
Mr. David P. Rinker  
Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab  
Mr. Wyman D. Shealy  
Dr. Earline M. Simms  
Dr. Albert E. Smith  
Dr. Michael Smith  
Dr. Thomas C. Stanton  
Mr. William E. Troublefield  
Mr. J. Floyd Tyler  
Ms. Sandy Underwood  
Mr. Edwin J. Zobel III

I. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of July 9, 1987

It was moved (Lewis), seconded (Brightharp), and voted that the minutes of the July 9, 1987, meeting be adopted as written.

II. 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 1987-88 Budget of the Charleston Higher Education Consortium. The Appropriation Act requires that the Charleston Higher Education Consortium (CHEC) submit its budget to the Commission each year for approval. Dr. Williams noted that, because of the Governor's veto of a substantial portion of CHEC's 1987-88 appropriation, the proposed budget was not available until August 12. The budget totals \$141,247, including \$75,016 in State funds. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Williams), seconded (Askins), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

b. Status Report on Charleston Higher Education Consortium's Budget Request for 1988-89. Dr. Williams reported that in light of the Governor's veto of a substantial portion of the current year's appropriation and the resulting adjustments in operation, the Board of Directors of the Charleston Consortium met earlier this month to decide on a course of action for the Consortium for 1988-89. No definite decision was made by the Board at that time. The Board is scheduled to meet again in September to plan a future course of action and, if State funds are requested, will forward a budget request to the Commission for review and consideration. The Commission may then amend its request to the Budget and Control Board and the General Assembly accordingly. Mr. Sheheen suggested that the Board address the possibility of changing the statutory requirements of the Consortium, if sufficient funding is not made available for it to function as mandated.

III. Report of Committee on Facilities

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

a. Consideration of Lease of University Place Apartments, College of Charleston. The College of Charleston requests approval to lease for one year 20 units containing four beds per unit from the University Place Apartments in Charleston, at a cost of \$144,000, to be funded with student housing fees. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brightharp) seconded (McGuire), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Mr. Brightharp noted that the Committee will consider, on September 22, proposed new policies and procedures for approval of leases.

b. Consideration of Science Building, USC-Aiken. USC-Aiken requests approval to increase the cost of its science building project by \$500,000. The facility was approved at \$7.4 million in the 1986 Capital Improvement Bond Bill. An Exxon overcharge fund from the South Carolina Energy Office in the amount of \$500,000 will be used for an energy conservation feature that has been designed into the facility. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brightharp) seconded (Kinon), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Consideration of Aquaculture Pond Development, USC-Columbia. In spring 1987 USC-Columbia was awarded a \$1.7 million grant from the Peace Corps to train representatives of developing countries in aquaculture. The Peace Corps has offered \$112,000 to construct 40 additional ponds at the Wedge where the program is being offered. The Committee recommends approval. It was moved (Brightharp) seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

IV. Report of Committee on Implementation of the State Higher Education Desegregation Plan

Dr. Lewis, chairperson of the Committee on Implementation of the Higher Education Desegregation Plan, reported on the following matter:

Procedure and Criteria for Evaluating Institutional Student Recruitment/Retention Plans. Each institution is required to have a student recruitment/retention plan on file at the Commission office. Guidelines for these plans were approved in 1986-87. Procedures and forms have been developed to facilitate efforts to meet the plans. At its meeting on July 1 the Committee reviewed and approved a procedure and criteria for evaluating the plans. Committee recommendations on each institution's plan will be presented to the Commission in January 1988.

V. Report of the Commissioner

Mr. Sheheen reported on the following matters:

a. Policy and Procedures for Permanent Improvement Requests. The staff is developing, for consideration by the Commission in October, new policy and procedures for review and approval of permanent improvement and lease requests.

b. October 1987 Meeting Date. Mr. Sheheen noted that the next meeting of the Commission will be held on October 8 rather than October 1. Commission members have been provided copies of a schedule of significant dates during the remainder of the calendar year.

VI. Summary of 1988-89 Appropriation Requests

Mr. Brooks presented a summary of 1988-89 appropriation requests from the public senior colleges and universities and the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education (Exhibit A).

VII. Presentation of 1988-89 Appropriation Requests by South Carolina Public Colleges and Universities and SBTCE

Mrs. Taylor welcomed the presidents and other representatives of the colleges and universities who were scheduled to present their 1988-89 appropriation requests to the Commission on August 24 and 25.

Mrs. Taylor noted that the Committee on Business and Finance will meet following the meeting of the Commission to consider the requests and to develop recommendations to the Commission. The Commission will meet on August 31, 1987, to adopt final recommendations to be presented to the Budget and Control Board, the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee on September 2, 1987.

Respectfully submitted,

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