

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

May 5, 1994  
10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Robert C. Gallagher, Chairman  
Dr. Donald L. Crolley  
Mr. Fred L. Day  
Mr. Austin R. Gilbert, Jr.  
Mr. Kenneth E. Goad  
Mr. Marvin C. Jones  
Ms. Reba Anne Kinon  
Mr. Ray D. Lathan  
Mr. Henry D. McMaster  
Mr. Lewis Phillips  
Dr. Raymond C. Ramage  
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.  
Ms. Debbie N. Whittle  
Ms. Mildred R. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Elaine Freeman

STAFF

Ms. Camille T. Brown  
Mr. Michael L. Brown  
Ms. Sandra E. Carr  
Ms. Renea H. Eshleman  
Mr. Charles D. FitzSimons  
Mr. Ivan F. Guinn  
Ms. Margaret L.B. Hicks  
Mr. Douglas I. Holleman  
Dr. R. Lynn Kelley  
Mr. Raghu Korrapati  
Mr. Alan S. Krech  
Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf  
Dr. Gail M. Morrison  
Mr. Joseph V. Pendergrass  
Dr. Robert K. Poch  
Dr. Michael Raley  
Mr. Jeff A. Richards  
Dr. Marilyn M. Scannell  
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen  
Mr. John E. Smalls  
Ms. Yolanda L. Solone  
Dr. John C. Sutusky  
Dr. Nelle Taylor  
Dr. Aileen C. Trainer  
Dr. Karen A. Woodfaulk

GUESTS

Mr. Arthur M. Bjontegard  
Ms. Pat Calkins  
Mr. Brett Dalton  
Dr. Edna May Duffy  
Dr. Margaret Emery  
Ms. Katherine Fanning  
Dr. Conrad Festa  
Mr. David Fleming  
Dr. Sharon Hahs  
Dr. Hugh Haynesworth  
Dr. Edward Jackson  
Dr. Michael McCall  
Ms. Patricia Martin  
Mr. Larry Myers  
Mr. William T. Putt  
Dr. Jerry Reel  
Mr. Charles Shawver  
Dr. Jackie Skubal  
Ms. Lindy Smith  
Mr. Joseph Tankersley

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Bill Robinson

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

Mr. Gallagher welcomed the guests and staff members to the Commission's monthly meeting.

1. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of April 7, 1994

It was moved (Goad), seconded (Tolbert), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of April 7, 1994, be approved.

2. Special Presentation

a. Election of New Officers

Ms. Williams nominated Mr. Gallagher for Chairman. It was moved (Jones), seconded (Goad), and voted that the nominations be closed and that Mr. Gallagher be elected by acclamation. Mr. Gallagher was elected Chairman.

Mr. Jones nominated Mr. Gilbert for Vice-Chairman. Ms. Kinon seconded the nomination.

Mr. Goad nominated Mr. Tolbert for Vice-Chairman. Ms. Williams seconded the nomination.

It was moved (Kinon) and seconded (Phillips) that the nominations be closed and that the vote be determined by paper ballot.

Mr. Gilbert was elected Vice-Chairman by paper ballot.

3. Committee Reports

3.01 Report of Executive Committee

Mr. Gallagher reported that the graduate school of Lesley College offers advanced professional training in teaching. Its programs of study are not, however, designed for South Carolina teacher certification.

The Committee recommended that the Commission issue a five-year license, subject to staff approval of facilities as they are acquired and annual reporting, granting Lesley College authority to offer the following:

Masters of Education Degree in:  
Computers in Education

Curriculum and Instruction in:  
Literacy: Language, Reading, Writing  
Early Childhood  
Creative Arts

It was moved (Gallager) and seconded (Williams) that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Tolbert asked Dr. Duffy what purpose the Masters of Education degree serves if not for teacher certification.

Dr. Duffy responded that the degree provides professional development for teachers and can serve as a basis for salary increases. She noted that although the College offers teacher certification in Massachusetts, such programs cannot be adequately supervised over long distances.

It was voted that the recommendation be approved.

### **3.02 Report of Committee on Academic Affairs**

#### **a. Report on New Centers of Excellence for Rural Special Education**

Ms. Williams provided an overview of the Centers of Excellence program, which enables eligible institutions or groups of institutions to serve as "state-of-the-art" resource centers for South Carolina. The purpose of the Centers is to improve teacher education programs in specific areas in the State.

Ms. Williams introduced Dr. Emery, Director of Clemson University's Center of Excellence in Rural Special Education.

Dr. Emery praised the collaborative nature of the Centers of Excellence Program. She presented an overview of her Center, noting that teacher training takes place not in the university, but rather, in the teacher's own school district. Mr. Tankersley noted that the Center has increased both the teachers' level of training and their morale.

### **3.03 Report of Committee on Access and Equity**

#### **a. Update on Full Implementation of the Higher Education Awareness Program (HEAP)**

Dr. Poch presented an overview of the Program, explaining that the General Assembly had charged the Commission with providing all eighth graders in public schools with information concerning higher education in the State: namely, its cost, course requirements, and types of institutions and financial aid available. Dr. Poch noted that following a two-year phase-in period and two years of pilot testing, HEAP now affects all eighth graders in all South Carolina public schools. In addition, all public and many independent colleges and universities are involved in the Program.

Dr. Raley illustrated the growth of the Program by noting the increased numbers of students, partner schools and higher education institutions, and appropriated funds. He discussed various efforts to involve parents in the Program, including the use of public service announcements, promotional videos, and parents' meetings.

**3.04 Report of Committee on Business and Finance**

a. Overview of Funding Recommendation Process

Mr. Smalls submitted the 1994 Schedule of College and University Appropriation Requests (Attachment A).

Mr. Gallager advised the Business and Finance Committee to conduct a briefing concerning the funding process for the new Commission members.

b. Overview of Statistical Abstract

Mr. Jones summarized the information contained in the Abstract and presented a copy to each Commission member.

**3.05 Report of Committee on Facilities**

There was no report of the Committee.

**3.06 Report of Committee on Planning and Assessment**

There was no report of the Committee.

**4. Report of the Commissioner**


a. Legislative Update

Mr. Sheheen reported that the Senate had approved a resolution that would restructure the Commission and would create an eleven-member board with seven public members. He noted that the resolution had been referred to the House Education Committee, which has yet to consider it.

**5. Other Business**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Janet T. Williams  
Recording Secretary