



South Carolina Commission On Higher Education

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SUMMARY REPORT

Meeting of Commission on Higher Education, May 6, 1982

Mr. Robert E. Graham, Sumter, has been reappointed to the Commission from the 5th Congressional District to a four-year term beginning on June 27, 1982.

Act 201 of 1977 (Licensing of Non-Public Educational Institution to Confer Degrees) provides for licensure by the Commission on Higher Education of non-public institutions which are considered to have met minimum standards. Gardner-Webb College of Boiling Springs, North Carolina, applied in October, 1981, for licensure to offer a baccalaureate degree program in Spartanburg. A team of examiners chaired by Dr. W. Fred Chapman of Presbyterian College was appointed and visited Gardner-Webb's Spartanburg program on November 4, 1981. Documentation of changes made in the program to comply with recommendation of the examination team was received on April 14, 1982. In accordance with the recommendation of the examining team, the Commission voted that Gardner-Webb College be licensed provisionally for a two-year period to award degrees at the baccalaureate level.

Proposals for five new academic programs were approved: (1) M.S. in Physical Education, Winthrop College; (2) B.S. in Graphic Communications, Clemson University; (3) Associate Degree in Industrial Technology (A.I.T.) in Commercial Graphics, Midlands Technical College; (4) Associate Degree in Industrial Technology (A.I.T.) in Radio/TV Broadcasting, Sumter Technical College; and (5) Associate Degree in Business (A.Bus.) in Computer Data Processing, Sumter Technical College.

The Commission approved revisions in the 1983-84 Appropriation Formula, with the exception of the proposed change in the revenue step (Step 14, "Student Fees and Other Revenues"), which will be considered by the Commission at its meeting on June 3, 1982.

The Commission considered a staff report entitled, "Tuition and Required Fees at South Carolina Public Senior Colleges and Universities: Current Use and Suggested Alternatives." The Commission and staff will continue discussions with appropriate institutions and agencies concerning these matters.

The Commission approved a request by Clemson University to construct hangers to protect the two University-owned aircraft. Cost of the project is estimated at \$120,000, to be funded from private and Athletic Department sources.

The Commission endorsed two provisos relating to the University of South Carolina Medical School that are included in the 1982-83 General Appropriation Bill as passed by the S.C. House of Representatives: that a portion of the funds appropriated for contractual

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services for the Medical School be used by USC (1) to accept full and equal partnership, by August 1, 1982, in the Consortium of Community Teaching Hospitals (Extramural Programs coordinated by the Medical University of South Carolina); and (2) for continuing negotiations between the University of South Carolina and Richland Memorial Hospital to develop an affiliation agreement to take effect upon the expiration of the present agreement in 1984.

At its meeting on February 4, 1982, the Commission voted to create a blue-ribbon committee to study the future demand for physicians in South Carolina and related questions. On May 6, 1982, the Commission received as information a progress report on the proposed structure of the blue-ribbon committee and authorized the Chairman to appoint the committee as soon as possible.

The Commission adopted a motion that it express to the General Assembly "its grave concern for the need to enact, during the 1982 Legislative Session, legislation to ensure minority representation on the governing board of each public college and university. The Commission believes that failure to enact such legislation during the 1982 Session may seriously impair the State's ability to demonstrate to the U.S. Courts that South Carolina is implementing the Desegregation Plan expeditiously."

The Commission received as information a report by the Committee on Implementation of the State Desegregation Plan on the findings and recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on Affirmative Action in Higher Education. The report will be considered in detail by the Commission at a subsequent meeting.

The Commission was selected as one of eight recipients of the Governor's Energy Achievement Award for its contributions to energy conservation in developing a Model Energy Conservation Plan for institutions of higher education in South Carolina.

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