

## MINUTES OF MEETING

### SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

1333 Main Street, Suite 200  
Columbia, SC

October 7, 1999  
10:30 a.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. R. Austin Gilbert, Jr.,  
Chairman  
Ms. Rosemary H. Byerly  
Ms. Susan Cole  
Mr. Dalton B. Floyd, Jr.  
Mr. Lawrence Gressette, Jr.  
Gen. Thomas R. Olsen  
Dr. David E. Shi

Mr. Charlie FitzSimons  
Ms. Betsy Gunter  
Ms. Yolanda Hudson  
Mr. Walter Jackson  
Ms. Lynn Metcalf  
Ms. Isalene Montgomery  
Dr. Gail Morrison  
Ms. Samantha Pope  
Dr. Mike Raley  
Ms. Jan Stewart  
Ms. Tobi Swartz  
Mr. John Smalls  
Dr. Mike Smith  
Dr. Aileen Trainer  
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

Ms. Mary Jo Cook  
Mr. John Finan  
DR. Ron Garrick  
Dr. Susan Graham  
Dr. Ralph Green  
Dr. Mike Gross  
Dr. David Hess  
Dr. Joseph Heyward  
Ms. Jennifer Jennings  
Mr. Thornton Kirby  
Mr. Tom Kovar  
Mr. Scott Ludlow  
Dr. Harry G. Matthews  
Mr. Gary McCombs  
Col. Spike Metts  
Mr. Bob Mellon  
Ms. Jackie Olsen  
Dr. Janice Poda  
Mr. Charles Shawyer  
Dr. Dewitt Stone  
Dr. John Sutusky  
Ms. Catherine Thomas

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Dianne Chinnes  
Mr. Winfred Greene  
Dr. Larry Jackson  
Dr. Harry Lightsey, Jr.  
Mr. Bill Stern

#### GUESTS

#### STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Rayburn Barton  
Mr. Michael Brown  
Ms. Renea Connolly  
Ms. Lorinda Copeland

Dr. Russ Bumba  
Dr. Joe Burke  
Mr. Don Campbell  
Dr. Douglas Carlisle  
Ms. Mary Cheeseborough

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Gilbert, who then asked Mr. Charlie FitzSimons to proceed with the introductions.

**1. Introductions**

Guests were introduced and welcomed to the Commission meeting.

Dr. Barton recognized Mr. Gary Glenn, formerly of the SC Department of Education, who joined the CHE staff as of this past week and will be working with data verification in the Performance Funding area.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made (Olsen), seconded (Floyd) and carried to approve the minutes as submitted.

**3. Committee Reports**

**3.01 Report of the Executive Committee**  
(No Report)

**Chairman Austin Gilbert**

**3.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs  
and Licensing**  
(No Report)

**Ms. Dianne Chinnes**

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

**Ms. Susan Cole**

The Committee met immediately prior to the Commission meeting.

**A. Access and Equity Ad Hoc Advisory Committee Report**

Mr. Walter Jackson reported that the committee began looking at previously tabled items in the Report and primarily examined tabled item #5, the budget item requesting an increase of \$4.1 million. Dr. Barton further explained that CHE's budget request for Access & Equity had been reviewed by the SC Department of Education to be sure we were not duplicating efforts. They were fully supportive and while there are some similarities, no duplicate services exist. (**Attachment I**).

**B. Consideration of Audit Procedures for Scholarship and Grants Programs:**

The Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services recommends that the Committee be authorized to hear and render final decisions on unresolved audit resolution issues, and audit appeals for the scholarship and grant programs (LIFE, Palmetto Fellows and Need-Based Grant) administered by the Commission on Higher Education. Final resolutions will be submitted to the full Commission for information. (**Attachment II**). This was provided as information only at this time.

## C. Consideration of Teacher Education/Recruitment Programs: Annual Reports

1. Minority Access to Teacher Education (MATE), Benedict College (**ATT IIIa**)  
The Committee recommends an increase of \$42,832 (or 20.8%) for FY 2000-2001, for a total appropriation of \$248,832.
2. South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment (SCCTR), Rock Hill, SC (**ATT IIIb**)  
The Committee recommends an increase of \$1,359,209 over FY 1999-2000 (or 148.56%), for a total appropriation of \$2,648,219 for FY 2000-2001.
3. SC Program for the Recruitment and Retention of Minority Teachers (SC-RRMT), South Carolina State University (**ATT IIIc**)  
The Committee recommends an increase of \$102,607 (or 39.3%) for FY 2000-2001, for a total appropriation of \$363,607.

A **motion** (Cole) was made, **seconded** (Harvin) and **carried** to recommend increased funding for the programs listed above as outlined in **Attachments IIIa, IIIb, and IIIc**.

## 3.04 Committee on Finance and Facilities

Ms. Rosemary Byerly

## A. Consideration of 2000-2001 Budget Request

## 1. FY 2000-2001 CHE Operating Budget

**Attachment IV** to these minutes is the Executive Summary of the 2000-2001 Budget Request in priority order. These were briefly explained by Ms. Byerly (Chair), who then asked that they be considered as a group.

2. Budget Requests for the Colleges and Universities (**ATT IVa**)

Mr. Smalls discussed the budget requests at length as outlined in the attachment IVa. A "Revised Priority #6 was distributed, to be discussed separately. A **motion** was made (Byerly), **seconded** (Cole) and **carried** to make one change to increase Priority #10 (SCMEP) to \$2.3 million and approve the budget requests in the priority order submitted with the exception of Priority #6. The "*Revised Priority #6* (**ATT IVb**) was then discussed and a **motion** (Byerly) made, **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to approve as revised.

## 3. Exceptional Capital Requests

Ms. Byerly explained that 59 requests for Exceptional Capital Projects were received for 2000-2001. According to CHE policy, these requests are accepted in years when there is no bond bill, and are submitted to the General Assembly without rank or priority by CHE staff. If a bond bill materializes during the recommended funding period, the requests become subject to normal bond request procedures and included and/or ranked with other requests as required.

Mr. Smalls stated that the Exceptional Capital Project requests for 1999-2000 were ... "presented to the General Assembly unranked and unprioritized" by CHE staff. However, CHE subsequently received letters from the Governor's Office and Representatives Henry Brown and Tom Keegan requesting the Commission to prioritize the list. As requested, the Commission ranked and prioritized the list of projects, which were then considered in the 1999-2000 Bond Bill.

The Committee recommends that the 2000-2001 requests be presented to the General Assembly without prioritizing by CHE staff, per CHE policy.

A **motion** was made (Byerly), **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to submit the 2000-2001 list of exceptional capital requests to the Governor's office unprioritized.

Ms. Byerly commented that, to date, the Committee has completed facilities tours of 20 of the State's 33 public colleges and universities. The Committee expects to complete tours of the remaining 13 institutions during the calendar year 2000.

**3.05 Report of Committee on Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding**  
(No Report)

**4. Report of the Executive Director**

**Rayburn Barton**

- ◆ MRR Validation Study: The contract, working with the Budget & Control Board staff has been let to MGT of America. The project is being overseen by the Funding Advisory Committee. A couple of weeks ago the representatives from that group met with the Funding Advisory Committee and their work has begun.
- ◆ State Auditor's Report: Dr. Barton reported the state audit for this year will be without findings and thanked John Smalls and his staff for that accomplishment.
- ◆ Technology Issues: Dr. Roy McTarneghan of the SREB Policy Laboratory is to make a presentation to the Commission at the November meeting and will meet with institutional representatives on the same afternoon.
- ◆ Ad Hoc Committee on Performance Funding: This committee has had one meeting with appropriate Commission staff. The second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12; the Committee will review in detail the indicators and definitions we are using and the rating process. They are scheduled to have four more meetings prior to the beginning of the legislative session. Their report date is January 1, 2001.
- ◆ Legislative Facilities Tours: The final tour in conjunction with Senator Keegan's subcommittee is scheduled for October 12 at Winthrop University and that will conclude the facility tours looking specifically at deferred maintenance issues.
- ◆ Campus Safety Conference: The Campus Safety Conference at the College of Charleston, co-sponsored by the Commission and several of the institutions, is scheduled for November 29 and 30. To date, eighty persons have registered.

- ◆ Professor of the Year Awards: The Professor of the Year Luncheon will occur immediately following the Commission meeting on November 4.

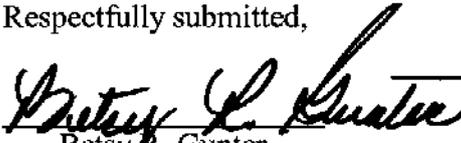
Following the Report of the Executive Director, Chairman Gilbert recognized Dr. William Moran's announcement of his retirement in the summer of 2000. He recapped briefly Dr. Moran's career as college president and highlighted some of his accomplishments during his terms as president.

There was a presentation by Dr. William C. Moran, President of Lander University.

**5. Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Betsy R. Gunter  
Recorder

Attachments I-IVc