

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

June 2, 1994  
10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Elaine Freeman  
Mr. Lewis Phillips  
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.

STAFF

Mr. Michael L. Brown  
Ms. Sandra E. Carr  
Mr. Charles D. FitzSimons  
Ms. Margaret L.B. Hicks  
Mr. Ivan F. Guinn  
Mr. Douglas I. Holleman  
Mr. Alan S. Krech  
Mr. Joseph V. Pendergrass  
Dr. Michael Raley  
Dr. Marilyn M. Scannell  
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen  
Dr. John C. Sutusky  
Dr. Aileen C. Trainer  
Ms. Janet T. Williams

GUESTS

Dr. Robert Alexander  
Dr. Julia Ashley  
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.  
Mr. Todd Barnette  
Mr. Buddy Bazen  
Mr. Arthur M. Bjontegard  
Mr. Bruce Blumberg  
Mr. Bob Broadhead  
Ms. Pat Calkins  
Dr. Les Carpenter  
Ms. Donna Collins  
Dr. Carmen Dumas  
Dr. David Dunlap  
Mr. David Fleming  
Mr. Earl Gardner  
Dr. Carol Garrison  
Dr. John Goss  
Mr. Donald Guest  
Dr. Tom Hallman  
Dr. Mac Holderfield  
Dr. James L. Hudgins  
Mr. Robert Humphries  
Dr. Edward Jackson  
Mr. Gary Kendrick  
Mr. Bob Miles  
Dr. James C. Moeser  
Mr. Larry Myers  
Dr. George M. Reeves  
Mr. Ronald Rhames  
Dr. Herb Robbins  
Mr. Charles Shawver  
Representative Ronald Townsend  
Mr. Mark Wright

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 to the Commission's monthly meeting.

1. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 5, 1994

It was moved (Day), seconded (Williams), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of May 5, 1994, be approved.

2. Special Presentation

Mr. Gallagher presented a plaque to Dr. Askins, in appreciation of his "loyal and distinguished service to South Carolina" as Chairman of the Commission.

Dr. Askins thanked the Commission members and the staff for the honor and for their dedication to improving higher education in the State. He described his term as Chairman as personally rewarding, despite the difficult aspects of the restructuring debate. (Dr. Askins' comments are provided in Attachment A.)

3. Committee Reports

3.01 **Report of Executive Committee**

- a. Consideration of Amendment to license NOVA Southeastern University, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, Florida to add Ed.D. in Child and Youth Studies, Greenville

The Committee recommended that NOVA Southeastern University's license be amended to authorize an Ed.D. Program in Child and Youth Studies in Greenville.

It was moved (Gilbert), seconded (Gallagher), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be approved.

3.02 **Report of Committee on Academic Affairs**

- a. Report on Awards Made Under the Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Act

Ms. Williams presented the report for information only. She noted that the Program is currently being reauthorized by Congress and that this year's awards were linked to the State Systemic Initiatives. The Committee has approved 14 of the 31 projects that were submitted. Ms. Williams noted, however, that funding is currently available for only 13 of the projects.

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

There was no report of the Committee.

### 3.04 Report of Committee on Business and Finance

Mr. Jones submitted a table detailing allocations for higher education for 1994-95 (Attachment B).

### 3.05 Report of Committee on Facilities

1. Consideration of Clemson University Poole Agricultural Center-Upgrade System

Clemson University has requested permission for a budget increase in order to reroof the Poole Agricultural Center.

The Committee recommended that the Commission approve the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

2. Consideration of Medical University of South Carolina Warehouse/Office Space Lease Renewal

The Medical University has requested State approval to renew its existing lease of 65,000 square feet of warehouse/office space located on Marriott Drive.

The Committee recommended renewal as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

3. Consideration of the University of South Carolina-Columbia--Lease Renewal 900 Assembly Street

The University has requested approval to consolidate two former leases into one that will cover the buildings at 900 Assembly Street. Following the renovation of the Carolina Plaza, the University intends to permanently relocate all activities housed at the Gibbes property.

Ms. Kinon praised USC for fulfilling its commitment to reducing lease costs over the past several years.

The Committee recommended renewal as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Lathan suggested that in the future the Committee should furnish an economic statement indicating whether building or leasing would be more economical.

4. Consideration of 1994-95 APIP Requests

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## a. Midlands Technical College

## 1) Mechanical System Repairs

The College proposes to expend \$310,000 of regular county allocations to effect mechanical system repairs on the Beltline and Airport campuses.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be approved.

## 2) Beltline Campus--Student Center/Maintenance Facility

The College has requested permission to construct a 20,875 square foot facility on the Beltline campus. The building is expected to solve a long-standing problem of insufficient support spaces. Existing space assigned to student support represents only one-third of what the guidelines suggest.

The completion of the project is contingent upon College officials securing funding from the counties. If such funding is not provided, the proposal would require another review by the Commission.

The Committee recommended that the proposal as submitted be approved.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

b. University of South Carolina System  
USC-Columbia

## 1) Campus Classroom Renovations

USC has proposed upgrading thirteen classrooms and equipping them for multimedia lectures and presentations. The goal is to provide an environment more conducive to newer instructional methodologies.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon) ,seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

Mr Lathan noted that since approximately 10% of building costs are incurred for architectural plans and designs, it would be more economical to adopt a set of standard plans which could be used repeatedly.

Mr. Gallagher suggested that the Committee compile the actual costs of architectural plans and designs to determine the feasibility of adopting standard plans.

2) Elevator Fire/Safety Compliance

The project will bring the campus into compliance with elevator fire/safety codes.

The Committee recommended that the project as proposed be approved.

Mr. Sheheen commented that the Committee may request that the Commission recommend that the General Assembly provide specialized funds to enable the institutions to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

3) Coliseum Chiller and Tower Replacement

The University has proposed to replace one of three chillers at the Carolina Coliseum with a larger chiller and cooling tower. The auxiliary share of capital expenditures will be recovered through normal rental and activity charges.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed provided the University review the reasonableness of its rental charges to the basketball program providing a report back to the Commission staff no later than September 1, 1994.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

USC-Aiken

1) Nursing Facility Construction

The University has requested approval to construct a new 25,000 gross square feet

facility to house its nursing program.

The Committee recommended the request as proposed be approved.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be approved.

2) Campus-Wide Network

The University has requested authorization to complete a campus-wide network connecting all faculty, staff, and student computing networks. The project will connect all computers throughout the campus.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

3) Ruth Patrick Science Education Center Expansion

The University has proposed a 20,000 square foot expansion of the Center, which provides a permanent program to enhance science and mathematics education within the schools of the Central Savannah River area.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Day), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

4) Swimming Pool Construction

The University has proposed construction of an indoor swimming pool. The source of funding is \$1,012,000 in County funds. The project will generate approximately \$72,694 in formula funds for maintenance and operations.

The Committee recommended that the project be approved.

It was moved (Kinon) and seconded (Goad) that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Jones commented that although USC-Aiken makes a strong case in support of the pool, such

requests may have an impact on the formula. He noted that the project does not satisfy the criteria established for formula funding. Mr. Jones further noted that approval of the project would relay an inaccurate message to the legislature by making the Commission appear irresponsible.

Mr. Lathan stated that he would support the project since the County is contributing \$1,012,000.

Ms. Kinon expressed the difficulty of supporting the institutions while also remaining responsible to the needs of the State.

Ms. Williams suggested that consideration of the project be deferred until a future date.

Mr. Hallman responded that the County funds may not be available in the future.

It was voted that the recommendation be approved, with Mr. Day, Ms. Williams, and Mr. Jones voting in the negative.

#### USC-Sumter

##### 1) Student Union Expansion

The university has proposed a 5,000 square foot addition to the existing Student Union building. Current student service spaces are inadequate for the campus, which serves 1,614 students.

The SC Commission for the Blind has contractually agreed to design, construct, and manage a Food Court for the facility.

Despite the endorsement of the Joint Advisory Committee for Central Carolina Technical College and the University of South Carolina at Sumter, the Facilities Committee concluded that the proposed project should be tabled until the Commission takes action on the Report of the Committee to Study Two-Year Education.

The Committee recommended that the request be tabled until the August Facilities Committee meeting. It further requested that the Commission address the Report of the Committee to Study Two-Year Education prior to the August Committee meeting.

It was moved (Kinon) and seconded (Jones) that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Jones noted that the Committee has determined that it needs more information about the project and has already scheduled a meeting at USC-Sumter.

It was voted that the recommendation be approved.

c. Medical University of South Carolina

1) Exterior Building Repairs

The University has proposed repairing the exteriors of four campus buildings through waterproofing and caulking. The buildings have developed rainwater leaks around the windows at wall flashings.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed. It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Goad), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

2) Proposed Renovation Research Building I

The University has proposed renovating the first floor of Research Building I, which will eventually house all of its Pathology teaching and research functions.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

3) Proposed Renovation Basic Science Building

The University has proposed renovating the seventh floor of the Basic Science building. The project is intended to create four modern laboratories accompanying shared support areas, graduate student study spaces, and a small transgenic animal facility.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation of



the Committee be approved.

d. Francis Marion University

1) Replace/Upgrade #1 Chiller

The University has proposed replacing its #1 chiller, which is 24 years old and is causing increasing maintenance problems, with a new, high-efficiency chiller.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

e. Clemson University

1) Jordan Hall - Renovations

The University has proposed to establish this project in order to replace the fume hoods and roof of Jordan Hall.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

2) Barre and Lehotsky Halls Duct Work

The university has proposed replacing the interior lined duct work of the two buildings with externally lined ducts. The deterioration of the ducts in Barre and Lehotsky Halls has caused particulate matter to be released into the air.

The Committee recommended approval of the project as proposed.

It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Goad), and voted that the recommendation be approved.

3.06 Report of the Committee on Planning and Assessment

There was no report of the Committee.

4. Report of the Commissioner

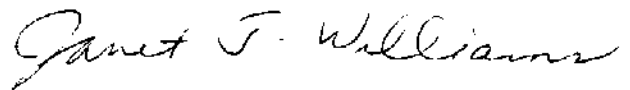
Mr. Sheheen reported that all legislative parties had not yet agreed

on restructuring but that the Commission members would be informed of the outcome of the debate.

5. Other Business

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet T. Williams".

Janet T. Williams  
Recording Secretary