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MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

February 2, 1989  
10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. William J. Whitener, Chairman  
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.  
Mr. George L. Brightharp  
Mr. Tom Moore Craig  
Mr. Palmer Freeman, Sr.  
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher  
Mr. Kenneth E. Goad  
Mr. Roger E. Henderson  
Mr. Marvin C. Jones  
Mrs. Reba Anne Kinon  
Mr. Howard G. Love  
Mr. Lewis Phillips  
Dr. Raymond C. Ramage  
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.  
Mrs. Mildred R. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Walter E. Brooker  
Mr. Vernon McGuire  
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

STAFF

Dr. Jeffrey Bartkovich  
Mr. Michael L. Brown  
Dr. Robert A. Day  
Dr. Jeanette A. Deas  
Mr. Milton Kimpson  
Dr. Frank E. Kinard  
Mr. Alan S. Krech  
Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf  
Mr. Robert K. Poch  
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen  
Mr. John E. Smalls  
Dr. Leonard P. Sternbach  
Dr. John C. Sutusky  
Ms. Gaylon Syrett  
Dr. Aileen C. Trainer

GUESTS

Dr. Ann Baker  
Dr. Morris Blackman  
Mr. Les Boles  
Dr. Mary Boyd  
Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.  
Mr. Stan Godshall  
Ms. Sue Hooks  
Dr. H. M. Holderfield  
Ms. Fern Howell  
Dr. Vermelle Johnson  
Mr. David Larson  
Dr. Albert M. Lyles  
Mr. Russ McKinney  
Ms. Jean Manheimer  
Mr. M. Hurst Marshall  
Dr. W. David Maxwell  
Mr. William T. Putnam  
Dr. George M. Reeves  
Dr. Robert Scott  
Dr. Arthur K. Smith  
Mr. J. Emory Smith  
Dr. Michael Smith  
Ms. Janice Trawick  
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.  
Dr. Edwin F. Wilde

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Sid Gauldin  
Mr. Gary Karr  
Mr. Steve Smith

I. Introduction of New Member

Mr. Whitener introduced Mr. Robert C. Gallagher who was appointed to the Commission from the First Congressional District, succeeding Mr. Utsey. Mr. Gallagher also served on the Commission from 1978 until 1986.

## II. Presentation of Certificate

Mr. Whitener presented a framed certificate to Mr. Utsey on behalf of the Commission and staff for his years of service as a member of the Commission from July 1980 until January 1989.

## III. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of January 5, 1989

It was moved (Jones), seconded (Ramage), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of January 5, 1989, be adopted as written.

## IV. Consideration of Licensure of American Management College

Mr. Whitener requested that the agenda be amended to allow for a briefing by Mr. J. Emory Smith, Assistant Attorney General. On December 1, 1988, Mr. Sheheen recommended that the Commission indicate its intent to deny renewal of American Management College's license to confer degrees in South Carolina. The Commission agreed to instruct the Attorney General to schedule any hearings that were required by law and to ensure that all applicable provisions were followed. As a result, a hearing on the licensure of American Management College was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on February 1, 1989. It was moved (Askins), seconded (Jones), and voted that the agenda be amended to allow for the briefing by Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith reported that Mr. Robert Fabrikant, attorney for American Management College, called to cancel the hearing that was scheduled for February 1, 1989. Mr. Fabrikant indicated that the school was closed and out of business and that he would forward a letter to that effect. After consultation with the Commission staff and Mr. Fabrikant, Mr. Smith postponed the hearing until this regular meeting at 10:30 a.m. on February 2, 1989. Mr. Smith explained that he would therefore require the Commission's permission to proceed with a brief hearing and present appropriate evidence. Permission was granted.

Mr. Smith introduced into evidence Exhibits C-1 through C-17 and briefly explained the reasons that a license should not be granted to the College. He asked if anyone was present to represent American Management College and stated for the record that American Management College was called on but did not respond. He stated that the failure of the College to be represented at this meeting constitutes a default.

Mr. Smith introduced a notice and complaint signed by the Chairman of the Commission on December 27, 1988, and the College's answer dated January 23, 1989. He requested that the documents be accepted as evidence. Mr. Whitener accepted the documents.

Mr. Smith stated that if the Commission voted to deny the license, based on the evidence, and directed him to do so, he would prepare an appropriate order denying the license. He recommended that the provisional license be terminated and that the application for a new license be denied, and requested that the order be signed by the Chairman.

It was moved (Jones), seconded (Ramage), and voted that, based upon the record presented by the staff, the application of American Management College for licensure be denied, that the provisional license be terminated, and that the Chairman be authorized to execute the order when it is prepared by the Commission counsel.

Mr. Krech expressed appreciation, on behalf of the staff, to Mr. Smith for the many hours he spent interviewing witnesses and preparing evidence. He further indicated his intent, with the consent of the Commission, to prepare letters thanking Dr. Hubert Setzler, the examination team chairman, and the other team members who spent considerable time preparing their testimony for the hearing that was originally scheduled. Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Krech, Mr. Poch, Mr. Sheheen, and members of the examination team.

V. Report of Committee on Planning and Assessment

Consideration of Planning Prospectus and Guidelines for Institutional Effectiveness. Dr. Askins, chairman of the Committee on Planning and Assessment, read a statement concerning the Commission's role in setting public policy. His remarks are attached as Exhibit A.

Dr. Askins noted that on December 1, 1988, the Commission approved the Planning Prospectus and Guidelines for Institutional Effectiveness in principle only and requested that consideration be deferred for 60 days to provide additional time for the public institutions to examine the documents. During that period, institutional representatives and Commission staff discussed the documents, addressed areas of concern, and made revisions. The Committee on Planning and Assessment met on January 24, 1989, to consider the revised documents. The Committee recommends approval of the revised Planning Prospectus and the Guidelines for Institutional Effectiveness as approved on January 24, 1989. It was moved (Askins), seconded (Williams), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Dr. Arthur K. Smith, University of South Carolina Provost, stated that the 60 days were put to excellent use. He expressed appreciation to the Commission for granting the delay.

VI. Briefing on Methods of Financing Facilities at the Colleges and Universities.

Mr. Whitener introduced Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr., Director of the Budget and Control Board's Budget Division, who made a presentation on sources of funds for financing permanent improvements.

VII. Report on Early Intervention Program. Mr. Kimpson reported on the Commission's Early Intervention "Tri-Star Program," an effort designed to bring the benefits and advantages of higher education to the attention of young people around the State.

VIII. Report of the Commissioner

Mr. Sheheen reported on the following matters:

a. Meeting at Erskine College. Mr. Sheheen reported that the Commission is scheduled to meet at Erskine College in Due West on March 2, 1989, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

b. Presentation of Resolution. Mr. Sheheen noted that Gen. James A. Grimsley, Jr., has announced his retirement as President of The Citadel, effective June 30, 1989. Mr. Sheheen read a resolution honoring Gen. Grimsley. It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Kinon), and voted that the resolution be suitably inscribed, mounted for display, and delivered to Gen. Grimsley as a token of the Commission's appreciation for his years of service to higher education in South Carolina. The resolution is attached as Exhibit B.

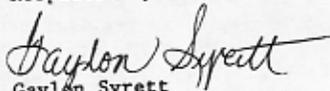
IX. Other Business

a. New President of Winthrop College. Mr. Whitener noted that Winthrop College has announced the selection of its new President, Dr. Anthony J. DiGiorgio of Trenton State College in New Jersey. He requested that the staff prepare a letter to Dr. DiGiorgio for his signature.

b. Technical Assistance Workshop. Mrs. Kinon reported that the fourth annual Technical Assistance Workshop on the Development and Implementation of Successful Programs for Increasing Minority Access and Equity in Colleges and Universities will be held in Columbia on February 9-10, 1989. Dr. Kenneth H. Ashworth, Commissioner of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, will give the keynote address. President Larry A. Jackson of Lander College will be the luncheon speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gaylon Syrett  
Recording Secretary