

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

July 7, 1983  
10:30 a.m. - 2:25 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Fred R. Sheheen, Chairman  
Mr. George L. Brightbaird  
Dr. Willa J. DeWitt  
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher  
Mr. Roosevelt Gilliam, Jr.  
Mr. Robert E. Graham  
Mr. Harold W. Jacobs  
Dr. Alba M. Lewis  
Mr. David B. Smith  
Mr. Mortimer F. Smith  
Mrs. Kanette H. Smyth  
Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor  
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.  
Dr. Hugh H. Wells  
Dr. Robert F. Williams  
Dr. Louis D. Wright, Jr.  
Mr. Robert L. Wynn III

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Ms. Avis Blackman  
Ms. Camille Bradford  
Mr. John Norton  
Ms. Charlene Porter  
Mr. Frank Sayles  
Ms. Jennifer Woods

GUESTS

Dr. Stephen H. Ackerman  
Dr. John Austell  
Ms. Martha Barker  
Dr. John M. Bevan  
Mr. Stephen L. Elliott  
Dr. Earle G. Hutchison  
Mr. Hans Knoop  
Dr. Kenneth K. Kyre  
Dr. Benjamin F. Lawson  
Dr. Robert D. McConnell  
Dr. Carolyn McIver  
Mr. J. Lacy McLean  
Ms. Sandy Manning  
Dr. W. Marcus Newberry, Jr.  
Dr. Terry Peterson  
Ms. Pat Purvis  
Dr. George M. Reeves  
Dr. Sue A. Sommer  
Dr. Glenn G. Thomas  
Mr. William E. Troublefield, Jr.  
Mr. Marion E. Woodbury

STAFF

Dr. Howard R. Boozer  
Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.  
Mrs. Denise Jones  
Dr. Frank E. Kinard  
Mr. Alan S. Krech  
Mr. Cannon R. Mayes  
Dr. James A. Paschal  
Ms. Alvena M. Smarr  
Mr. James L. Solomon, Jr.  
Dr. John C. Sutusky  
Mrs. Gaylon Syrett  
Mrs. Carol D. Waldo

I. Approval of Minutes of June 2, 1983, Meeting

It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Wynn), and voted that the minutes of the June 2, 1983, meeting be approved as written.

Mr. Sheheen noted that President Larry A. Jackson was elected chairman of the Council of Presidents of Public Senior Colleges and Universities for fiscal year 1983-84, succeeding Maj. Gen. James A. Grimsley, Jr. Due to a prior commitment, Dr. Jackson could not be present at the meeting, and was represented by Mr. William E. Troublefield, Jr.

## II. Report of the Executive Committee

Consideration of Licensure Renewal of Four Accredited South Carolina Non-Public Colleges to Confer Degrees in South Carolina. Dr. Boozer reported that, under Act 201 of 1977, Section 3, "Any institution established in this State which is accredited by any association or organization recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation for conducting institutional or specialized accreditation or which is approved for teacher certification by the State Board of Education shall be considered to have given satisfactory evidence that the [licensing] standards have been met." The Executive Committee recommends that the following institutions, which meet one or both of these criteria and are due for licensure renewal, be granted regular (five-year) licenses effective immediately to operate in South Carolina and to award degrees at the levels specified:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Degree Level</u>
Baptist College at Charleston	Associate, Bachelor's, and Master's
Columbia Junior College of Business	Associate
Nielsen Electronics Institute	Associate
Rutledge College of Charleston	Associate
Rutledge College of Columbia	Associate
Rutledge College of Greenville	Associate
Rutledge College of Spartanburg	Associate

It was moved (Wells), seconded (DeWitt), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

## III. Report of Committee on Academic Affairs

Mrs. Taylor, chairman of the Committee on Academic Affairs, reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of Quality Improvement Initiatives. Mrs. Taylor reported that in response to a request by the Executive Committee, the staff prepared a "Prospectus" for a study of initiatives the Commission might undertake to help institutions enhance the quality of their programs. The brief "Prospectus," calling for a study and recommendation by the Committee on Academic Affairs, was adopted by the Executive Committee on May 4, 1983.

The staff surveyed the other 13 member states of the Southern Regional Education Compact to determine what additional activities with similar objectives may be underway or planned. The results of this survey, and other suggestions, were considered by the Advisory Committee on Academic Programs at a special meeting on May 9. The recommendation of the Advisory Committee was considered by the Committee on Academic Affairs at a special meeting on June 15.

The activities discussed were grouped into the following six broad categories: (1) reviewing academic programs on a regular basis, for improvement or possible termination; (2) raising admission standards; (3) providing State funds for endowed chairs; (4) standardized testing of students; (5) measuring performance on a point system, with rewards; and (6) providing competitive grants.

The Committee, in agreement with the Advisory Committee, recommends that the Commission request additional State funding of \$2 million for fiscal year 1984-85 for the purpose of providing a system of competitive grants for public institutions, with the following specifics:

- (1) that the awards shall be made by the Commission on the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Affairs, and that the Committee will provide rules and procedures to the institutions;
- (2) that the grants for fiscal year 1984-85 be restricted to those applicable to faculty development;
- (3) that each campus of each public institution shall be eligible to compete; and
- (4) that no institution may be awarded a grant or grants totaling more than 1% of its State appropriation for fiscal year 1983-84 for educational and general purposes.

It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Smyth) that the recommendations of the Committee be approved. Mr. Sheheen noted that the Advisory Committee on Academic Programs, composed of the chief academic officers of the institutions, participated in the discussions and made recommendations to the Committee on Academic Affairs. The motion was amended (Callager) and seconded (Wright) that the first specific stated above be revised to read: (1) that the awards shall be made by the Commission on the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Affairs and the Committee on Business and Finance, and that the Committees will provide rules and procedures to the institutions. The amendment was approved. The motion, as amended, was adopted.

The Committee's report is attached as Exhibit A.

b. Consideration of Revised Agreement, USC-Columbia and College of Charleston, for Continuation of Joint MPA Program. Mrs. Taylor made the following report:

In September 1977 the Commission approved a new program leading to the Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree, with a concentration in urban affairs, to be administered and offered in Charleston jointly by the College of Charleston and USC-Columbia. The joint program offering in Charleston had been suggested by the Advisory Committee on Academic Programs in reviewing a proposal by the College of Charleston for its own MPA program. The Advisory Committee suggested that a second program may be needlessly duplicative, given the existence of an MPA program at USC-Columbia, and that a joint program utilizing faculty from both institutions would be more appropriate.

The joint program in Charleston provided that a core of four courses, to be taught by USC faculty, would be common to both programs. The agreement also called for an inter-institutional committee to coordinate such matters as student admission and course scheduling.

In May 1982 the College of Charleston submitted a new proposal calling for termination of the joint program and for continuation of the MPA program under the sole auspices of the College. On September 9, 1982, the Commission deferred this proposal with the following stipulations:

- (1) that the existing program in Charleston operated jointly with USC-Columbia be continued for 1982-83, during which time the institutions should jointly arrive at a mutually acceptable plan for its continuation;
- (2) this new plan should (a) address a funding mechanism more equitable to both participants, (b) address means of assuring joint governance and administration of the program, and (c) be submitted to the Committee on Academic Affairs for its review by March 1983.

The University of South Carolina and the College of Charleston submitted on April 15 a proposed new agreement. This was considered at a special meeting of the Committee on June 15.

The Committee recommends that there be approved the joint agreement submitted in response to the Commission's request by the College of Charleston and by USC-Columbia, specifically including Addenda A (Procedures for Administration) and B (Financial Agreement), for continued joint operation of the program leading to the MPA with emphasis in urban management and policy.

It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Smyth), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

c. Consideration of Programs to be Reviewed in 1983-84. Mrs. Taylor reported that, on the advice of the Advisory Committee on Academic Programs, the Committee recommends that existing programs at baccalaureate and higher levels in history and political science be reviewed in 1983-84, funds permitting. It was moved (Taylor), seconded (Lewis), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

d. Progress Report on Recommended Prerequisites for Freshman Admission.

Mrs. Taylor reported that on April 7, 1983, the Commission adopted a recommendation that each of the public senior colleges and universities require applicants for admission to baccalaureate degree programs to have completed specific prerequisite units of study in the secondary schools. At its meeting on June 2 the Commission amended its recommendation to require two units of the same foreign language. Institutional responses to this recommendation were due on July 1.

Mrs. Taylor reported that six of the institutions have responded favorably to the recommendation. These are the Medical University of South Carolina, the College of Charleston, South Carolina State College, The Citadel, Lander College, and the USC system college campuses. Responses from Clemson University and Winthrop College, at both of which approval of the respective Boards of Trustees is required, and from Francis Marion College, at which approval of the faculty is required, are expected in the near future.

e. Second Annual Report, Clemson University Baccalaureate Degree Programs at Greenville. Mrs. Taylor reported that in May 1981 the Commission authorized Clemson University to offer in Greenville sequences of courses leading to B.S. degrees with majors in computer science, engineering technology, and electrical, mechanical, and computer engineering, with the stipulation that Clemson report by March 1, 1982, on its progress in implementing these off-campus programs. The initial report was considered by the Committee in July 1982. The Committee agreed that the off-campus programs might be continued but, because enrollments had not met Clemson's expectations and fewer courses were offered than had been

planned, the Committee requested that Clemson submit a second year-end report by May 1, 1983. The second report was considered by the Committee on June 15. The Committee agrees that (1) courses applicable to the five authorized programs offered by Clemson in Greenville be authorized to continue in 1983-84; (2) an annual report again be submitted for Committee review by March 20, 1984; and (3) Clemson be authorized to offer courses applicable to its new program leading to the B.S. in computer information systems as a part of this activity.

f. Report on Financial Aid Survey. At the invitation of Mrs. Taylor, Mr. Mayes reported on amounts and sources of financial aid awarded to students at South Carolina colleges and universities in 1981-82 and 1982-83. A summary of the results of a survey is attached as Exhibit B.

IV. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

Mr. Gallager, chairman of the Committee on Business and Finance, reported on the following matters:

a. Report on 1983 General Appropriation Act. Mr. Gallager reported on 1983-84 appropriations for South Carolina public senior colleges and universities (Exhibit C). He noted that Section 15 of the 1983 General Appropriation Act contains four provisos affecting higher education (Exhibit D), one of which requires the Commission to conduct a study of the costs of higher education, to both students and the State, to be submitted to the General Assembly by January 15, 1984.

b. Consideration of the Commission's 1984-85 Budget Request. Mr. Gallager reported that the Commission's budget request for 1984-85 must be submitted to the Budget and Control Board by August 15, 1983. Increases in employee compensation will be determined by the General Assembly and added by the Budget and Control Board. The Committee recommends that the Commission request the following additional increases, listed in suggested priority order:

Administration

1. Additional funds necessary for annual review of academic programs in at least four disciplines	\$ 86,000
2. Increase in funds for per diem and travel for Commission members	8,500
	\$ 94,500

Service Programs (Pass Through Funds)

1. Quality Improvement	\$2,000,000
2. Defense Scholarship Fund	230,000
	\$2,230,000

It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Jacobs), and voted that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted.

c. Consideration of Formula for Funding the Medical University of South Carolina and the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. Mr. Gallager reported that the Committee on Business and Finance and the Committee on Health and Medical Education recommend the following:

- (1) all recommendations concerning formula funding approved by the Commission on June 2, 1983, be applicable to the Medical University and the USC School of Medicine, except as noted below;
- (2) the academic disciplines shown in Exhibit E be incorporated into Table 2 of the 1984-85 Appropriation Formula adopted by the Commission on June 2, 1983;
- (3) the revenue step (Step 15) of the formula be set at 5% for the Medical University and the USC School of Medicine for 1984-85 and that it be reviewed annually (all other steps of the formula remain the same for the Medical University and the USC School of Medicine);
- (4) since the current State appropriation for the Medical University Hospital is approximately \$15 million, and since approximately \$6 million of this amount has been included in the instructional component of the formula, MUSC should request up to \$9 million as a Hospital Education Supplement for 1984-85;
- (5) funding for the USC School of Medicine be held harmless until the class size is sufficient to generate an adequate appropriation for the School;
- (6) the budget data and guidelines for the Consortium of Community Teaching Hospitals for 1983-84 be adopted as the formula for funding Consortium activities for 1984-85; and
- (7) the adoption of this funding formula to include health and medical education with the understanding that appropriate refinements will be considered during the annual formula review process for the Commission's recommended 1985-86 Appropriation Formula.

It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Wells), and voted that the recommendations of the Committees be adopted.

#### V. Report of the Committee on Health and Medical Education

Dr. Wright, chairman of the Committee on Health and Medical Education, reported on the following matters:

a. Proposal for Associate Degree in Nursing, Trident Technical College. Dr. Wright reported that Trident Technical College proposes to initiate in Fall 1983 a two-year (seven-quarter) associate degree nursing program. The proposal was approved by the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education and endorsed by the Charleston Higher Education Consortium and the Statewide Master Planning Committee on Nursing Education. The Committees on Health and Medical Education and on Academic Affairs jointly recommend approval. It was moved (Wright), seconded (Wells), and voted that the recommendation of the Committees be adopted.

b. Consideration of Health and Medical Education Agreement Between the Medical University of South Carolina and the University of South Carolina. Dr. Wright reported that the Committee has considered the cooperative agreement to establish a Joint Health and Medical Education Board proposed to the Governor by the Presidents of the Medical University of South Carolina and the University of South Carolina on June 15, 1983. The proposed Board would be composed of "two members of the Board of Trustees and the President of the Medical University,

two members of the Board of Trustees and the President of USC, two members appointed by the Commission on Higher Education, the Governor or his designee, and an appointee of the Governor." The Committee recommends that the Commission endorse the agreement to establish the Joint Board as proposed, provided that the Medical University and the University of South Carolina agree to include the Executive Director of the Commission on Higher Education as a member and as secretary of the Board. It was moved (Wright), seconded (Smyth), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

The Committee also recommends that, given the duplication of purpose between the Joint Board and the Health Education Authority, the Health Education Authority be dissolved with the Commission Chairman transmitting a letter to each member, on behalf of the Commission, expressing appreciation for their service over the years in fostering coordination in health and medical education. It was moved (Wright) and seconded (Wells) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. The motion was amended (M. Smith) and seconded (Gallager) that discontinuation of the Health Education Authority follow the implementation of the Joint Board. The amendment was approved. The motion, as amended, was approved, with Mr. Brightharp, Dr. Lewis, and Dr. Williams opposing.

Dr. Wright noted that new health and medical program proposals of the universities will be forwarded to the new Board for recommendations prior to consideration of such proposals by Committees of the Commission. He stated that, following Board action, the Commission's Standing Committees will review such proposals and possibly recommend lifting the imposed moratorium on new programs.

It was moved (Gilliam), seconded (Brightharp), and voted that the Commission urge the appointing authorities to give consideration to minority and female representation in constituting the Board.

VI. Report of Committee on Implementation of the State Desegregation Plan

Mr. Gilliam, chairman of the Committee on Implementation of the State Desegregation Plan, reported on the following matters:

a. Consideration of "Annual Report on Higher Education Desegregation Efforts in South Carolina, 1982-83," and 1983-84 Budget Allocations Related to the State Desegregation Plan. Mr. Gilliam reported that South Carolina is required to submit to the U.S. Department of Education annually, by August 15, a progress report on its higher education desegregation efforts during the preceding year. The Committee met on June 16, 1983, to consider the Annual Report and budget allocations related to the Desegregation Plan. The Committee noted that, while progress is being made in meeting Plan commitments in a number of areas, results of the State's efforts in other areas cause concern. Mr. Gilliam stated that the Committee is committed to taking steps which it believes will move the State more expeditiously toward the goals in the Plan. The Committee recommends that:

- (1) the Commission approve the draft 1982-83 Annual Report;
- (2) the Commission endorse the steps to be taken to ensure continued progress in implementing the Desegregation Plan, including the proposed Policies; and
- (3) the Commission approve the 1983-84 Desegregation Plan Budget and authorize the Committee to approve changes in the activities listed, where it is determined that to do so will enhance the State's prospects for achieving the goals in the Plan.

Overview of 1983-84 Desegregation Budget

Faculty Recruitment	\$ 183,483
Student Recruitment/Retention	244,828
Unique Programs	198,566
Graduate Incentive Fellowships	338,730
Enhancement - Denmark Technical College	236,438
Enhancement - South Carolina State College	2,110,342
Commission on Higher Education	90,909
Systemwide Special Projects	72,010
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Grand Total	\$3,475,306
Presently in base allocation for 1983-84:	\$2,675,306
CHE (new allocations)	800,000
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Total Funds	\$3,475,306

It was moved (Gilliam), seconded (Wells), and voted that Recommendation 1, stated above, be adopted.

It was moved (Gilliam), seconded (Lewis), and voted that Recommendation 2, stated above, be adopted.

It was moved (Gilliam), seconded (M. Smith), and voted that Recommendation 3, stated above, be adopted.

The Committee's report is attached as Exhibit F. Mr. Gilliam expressed appreciation to the Committee and members of the staff who worked under a deadline to complete the Annual Report.

#### VII. Report of Committee on Legislative Relations

Mr. M. Smith, chairman of the Committee on Legislative Relations, reported that in the 1983 Legislative Session three of the 11 House Bills monitored by the Commission were ratified and enrolled for enactment into law: H.2096, a Bill to change the composition of the Boards of Trustees of The Citadel, MUSC, S.C. State, the State College Board of Trustees, USC, and Winthrop; H.2285, a Bill to provide uniform terms of office for all members of the Boards of Trustees of higher education institutions elected by the General Assembly; and H.2339, a Bill to provide for the preservation of student and institutional records upon the merger, consolidation, change of ownership, or dissolution of any non-public degree-granting institution in the State.

Four of the eight Senate Bills affecting higher education were ratified and enrolled for enactment into law: S.81, a Bill to authorize Clemson to borrow a maximum of \$10 million to pay a portion of the cost to enlarge Memorial Stadium; S.378, a Bill to create the Denmark Technical College Area Commission to serve as the governing body of Denmark Technical College; S.400, a Bill to reduce bond authorization for The Citadel, Clemson, Lander, South Carolina State, and local campuses of USC; and S.474, a Bill to give Clemson the authority to refund certain Stadium notes issued pursuant to Act R-9 (1983) and the outstanding Stadium Improvement Bonds dated April 1978, and to provide the terms and conditions of the obligations issued.

Mr. Smith also reported that Mr. W. Joseph Isaacs, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, is coordinating with the Legislative Council a proposed amendment to legislation relating to illegitimate non-public degree-granting educational institutions that may be operating in South Carolina, to provide more severe penalties and stricter requirements.

VIII. Other Business

Election of Two Commission Members to the Joint Health and Medical Education Board. Dr. Williams expressed appreciation to Dr. Wright for his service as chairman of the Committee on Health and Medical Education and stated that, in his opinion, Dr. Wright would best serve the Commission and health and medical education in South Carolina if he continues in that position. Dr. Williams nominated Mr. Gallagher as a member of the Joint Health and Medical Education Board. Mr. M. Smith nominated Mr. Jacobs, and Mrs. Taylor nominated Dr. Wells. It was moved (Smyth), seconded (Taylor), and voted that nominations be closed.

It was moved (Graham) and seconded (M. Smith) that members serve until January each year. Mrs. Smyth suggested that duration of terms not be specified at this time. The motion was adopted, with eight affirmative and four negative votes.

Mr. Jacobs and Dr. Wells were elected by secret ballot to the Joint Health and Medical Education Board.

IX. Report of the Executive Director

a. Personalized License Plates. Dr. Boozer noted that Commission members are given the opportunity each year to purchase personalized license plates, if they so desire. The costs of such plates are paid by individual Commission members. He requested that forms be completed with reference to this matter.

b. Annual School Administrators' Conference. Dr. Boozer reported that the Nineteenth Annual School Administrators' Conference will be held in Myrtle Beach on July 10-14, 1983. Dr. Kinard will make a presentation on the subject of the Commission's recommendations concerning prerequisites for freshman admission to State colleges and universities.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary