

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
August 23-24, 1993
10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr., Chairman
Mr. Fred L. Day
Ms. Elaine Freeman
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher
Mr. R. Austin Gilbert, Jr.
Ms. Reba Kinon
Mr. Lewis Phillips
Dr. Raymond C. Ramage
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.
Mr. William J. Whitener
Ms. Mildred R. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Kenneth E. Goad
Mr. Marvin C. Jones
Mr. Henry D. McMaster
Mr. Edward T. McMullen, Jr.
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

STAFF

Mr. Ned Badgett
Mr. Todd E. Barnette
Mr. Michael L. Brown
Ms. Saundra E. Carr
Ms. Renea H. Eshleman
Mr. Charles D. FitzSimons
Mr. Ivan F. Guinn
Dr. R. Lynn Kelley
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. Robert K. Poch
Dr. Mike Raley
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Mr. John E. Smalls
Ms. Janet K. Stewart
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Dr. Aileen C. Trainer
Ms. Julia E. Wells
Ms. Carol Ann Williams
Dr. Karen A. Woodfaulk

GUESTS

Mr. Rita Allison
Dr. Robert E. Alexander
Dr. James Arrington
Mr. Arthur M. Bjontegard
Ms. Pat Calkins
Lt. Col. Gary Cathcart
Mr. Hal S. Currey
Dr. Robert W. Denton
Ms. Susan DeWitt
Dr. Anthony J. DiGiorgio
Dr. James B. Edwards
Ms. Katherine Fanning
Mr. Stan Godshall
Dr. Barbara Hatton
Dr. H. McLean Holderfield
Dr. James L. Hudgins
Dr. Ronald R. Ingle
Mr. Charlie Jeffcoat
Ms. Beua Kash
Mr. David Larson
Col. Ben W. Legare
Dr. A. Max Lennon
Mr. Frank Mauldin
Dr. Layton McCurdy
Mr. Mike McGee
Dr. James C. Moeser
Dr. William C. Moran
Dr. James R. Morris, Jr.
Mr. Larry Myers
Dr. John M. Palms
Dr. Clifton Poole
Ms. Carol Routh
Judge Alexander Sanders
Dr. Olin B. Sansbury, Jr.
Mr. Charles Shawver
Dr. Thomas C. Stanton
Mr. Harry Stilling
Dr. Wanda Ward
Mr. Mark Wright

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. John Brunelli
Mr. Sid Gauldin
Mr. Pete Jacobelli
Mr. Bill Robinson
Mr. Rick Scoppe

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

1. Special Presentations

- a. Dr. Askins stated that Mr. Whitener has submitted his resignation to the Commission effective August 31, 1993 to assume the responsibility as Interim Chancellor of USC-Spartanburg. His wisdom and poetry will be missed, but USC-Spartanburg should be congratulated on their choice.
- b. Dr. Askins reported that the Budget and Control Board has restored the \$30 million in nonrecurring funds for 1993-94 to higher education. He stated that this was accomplished by the effort of Commission members, some presidents, and some CHE staff, especially Mr. Sheheen. Dr. Askins noted that there is an additional \$34 to \$35 million yet to be allocated by the General Assembly and directed the staff to work with the presidents to create guidelines for requests of these funds.

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of July 1, 1993

Mr. Sheheen requested that the minutes reflect that Dr. Askins made the statements concerning Dr. David Bell under "Other Business." It was moved (Freeman), seconded (Kinon) and voted that the minutes of the meeting of July 1, 1993 be approved as amended.

3. Committee Reports

3.01 Report of Executive Committee

Dr. Askins reported on the following matters:

- a. **Amendment of University of Maryland's License to Add an Additional Site at the Westinghouse Savannah River Company to Offer a Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Science and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Hazardous Materials Management**

In 1987 the University of Maryland was granted a regular five year license to offer a Baccalaureate degree in Nuclear Science at the Summer Nuclear Power Station of SCE&G in Jenkinsville. In 1988 the Commission amended the license to allow expansion of the program to the H. B. Robinson Nuclear Power Station of Carolina Power and Light in Hartsville. The Commission renewed the institution's license for five years in 1992.

The University of Maryland has requested an amendment of the license to offer the Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Science and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental and Hazardous Materials Management at the Westinghouse Savannah River Company in Aiken.

The Committee recommended by mail ballot that the regular license of the University of Maryland be amended to grant authority to offer Bachelor of Science degrees

in Nuclear Science and Environmental and Hazardous Materials Management at the Westinghouse Savannah River Company in Aiken. The Committee also recommended that, in addition to routine annual reporting, the institution provide documentation of the establishment of a reference library at the facility. Additionally, the Committee recommended that as arrangements are made for the use of laboratory facilities, documentation of such arrangements be provided.

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

3.03 Report of Committee on Access and Equity

Mr. Tolbert, chairman of the Committee on Access and Equity, reported on the following matter:

a. Consideration of 1993-94 Access and Equity Program Allocations

The 1993-94 Appropriations Bill includes \$435,983 for the Access and Equity Program. To ensure fairness to all institutions during a year when funds have been slightly reduced and when revisions in the Program's guidelines are being proposed, no major changes are recommended in the method of allocating the 1993-94 Access and Equity Program funds.

The Committee recommended:

1. In FY 1993-94, each public higher education institution shall receive Access and Equity Program allocations in amounts that are the same as the amounts they received in FY 1992-93, minus a reduction of 1.42% or less, in keeping with the reduced legislative appropriation for the Program.
2. Institutions may use their Access and Equity Program allocations in 1993-94 to support any mandated or optional Access and Equity Program activity.
3. The allocation of 1993-94 Access and Equity Program funds will be consistent with the content of the proviso (19A.8.) to the 1993-94 Appropriations Bill.
4. Institutions receiving Access and Equity Program funds will continue to be required to match these funds on a dollar for dollar cash basis.
5. In FY 1993-94, the Commission on Higher Education will conduct audits on institutions' use of Access and Equity Program allocations, including institutional matching funds for Access and Equity Program activities.

6. Each institution will submit to the staff of the Commission, prior to receipt of its Access and Equity funds, a proposed budget for expending the allotted funds.
7. The Commission's staff will work to secure funding for Access and Equity Program projects which qualify for supplemental funding from remaining State surplus revenues.

Mr. Tolbert stated that recommendation #6 will be handled at the staff level.

It was moved (Tolbert) and seconded (Day) that the recommendations of the Committee be approved.

Mr. Gallager questioned whether Access and Equity program funds are being spent in ways that are beneficial to the State. He said that funds should be given only to institutions that show success. He stated also that the Access and Equity Committee should look at where Access and Equity funds have been spent and the results that have been achieved at each institution.

Mr. Tolbert stated that institutions are required to submit quarterly expenditure reports to the Commission, and that the State is getting more mileage because institutions' contributions of Access and Equity dollars are greater than the Legislative Access and Equity Program allocation.

The motion was amended (Gallager) to empower the Access and Equity Committee to take final action on the 1993-94 CHE allocations without having to come back before the full Commission. The motion was approved as amended.

3.05 Report of Committee on Facilities

Ms. Kinon, chairman of the Committee on Facilities, reported on the following matters:

- a. Clemson University - Ceramic Engineering Research Building - Budget Increase

Clemson University is seeking approval to increase the budget of this project previously approved at \$1 million to \$1.5 million. The entire project cost, including the proposed increase, will be met with private donations.

The Committee recommended that the requested budget increase be approved as proposed provided the University obtains a written guarantee of these funds from the Foundation at its scheduled meeting of August 21.

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

- b. USC-Columbia - Basketball Practice Facility Construction and Carolina Coliseum Renovation

USC-Columbia is seeking approval of this project to construct an approximately 27,000 gross square feet facility for basketball practice, competition volleyball, and office space for the basketball program. Selected renovations to the athletic spaces within Carolina coliseum will also be performed. The source of funding for this request is \$2,860,000 in athletic revenue bonds and \$1,000,000 from private sources that have been guaranteed by the Athletic Department.

The Athletic Department will begin full funding of administrative overhead costs, as determined by the Future Committee, beginning in FY 1994-95.

The Committee recommended approval of this project.

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

c. Medical University of South Carolina Research Building II

MUSC proposes to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking developers willing to obtain financing for and to construct a research facility on land contiguous to the MUSC campus. The University will approve the facility design and upon completion of construction, the developer will sell the facility and land to the Health Sciences Foundation which in turn will lease the facility to the Medical University for a 20 year term. Upon completion of the 20 year lease term, title to the facility and land will pass from the Foundation to the University. The University projects to cover the lease payments with indirect cost recoveries from an expanded research base made possible through the availability of this state of the art research space.

The Committee recommended the University proceed with the development of an RFP for Research Building II provided:

1. The RFP be submitted to staff prior to advertisement to ensure consistency with the concepts as approved by the Commission.
2. Should an agreement be reached with a developer, the proposed development agreement, lease agreement and other pertinent documents, and cost breakout including financing be subject to review and approval by the Commission prior to presentation to other governmental bodies whose approval is required.
3. Lease costs are guaranteed by an affiliated entity of the University.
4. This action be considered neutral with respect to the issue to a doctoral nursing education program proposal.

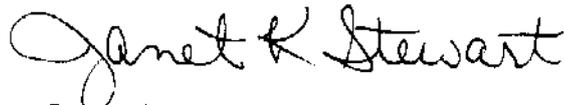
It was moved (Kinon), seconded (Phillips) and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be approved.

4. 1994-95 Appropriation Presentations by Colleges and Universities and SBTCE

Dr. Askins welcomed the presidents and other representatives of the colleges and universities who were scheduled to present their 1994-95 appropriation requests to the Commission on August 23 and 24.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m. on August 24.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet K. Stewart
Recording Secretary