



South Carolina Commission On Higher Education

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SUMMARY REPORT

Meeting of Commission on Higher Education, January 6, 1983

In January, 1981, the State Personnel Division adopted new regulations directing the colleges and universities to develop written guidelines governing any proposed reductions in force of faculty and other unclassified employees, with the further requirement that such policies be approved by the State Personnel Division and the Commission on Higher Education. By December, 1981, policies had been approved by both agencies for all institutions except the USC branch campuses. Proposed policies for USC-Aiken, USC-Spartanburg, USC-Coastal Carolina, and for USC's five two-year campuses were submitted jointly to the Personnel Division and the Commission on November 12, 1982. The Commission concurred with the State Personnel Division in approving the proposed policies of the eight USC branch campuses.

Based on a report by a panel of out-of-State consultants, the Commission agreed on September 9, 1982, that all existing degree programs in business in the public colleges and universities be continued with the understanding that all public institutions offering graduate and undergraduate programs in business will seek accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) or have such programs meet the substantive Standards of that agency, and that each institution report its progress to the Commission by May 1, 1984. The Commission reaffirmed its position with respect to such programs in business.

The Commission agreed in Fall 1982 that degree programs in foreign language programs be reviewed in Spring 1983, contingent upon the availability of funds to finance the project. A list of nominees for consultants to conduct the review was approved by the Commission on January 6, 1983.

The Commission voted to ratify two recommended changes, approved by mail ballot, in the report on 1983 Capital Improvement Requests as adopted on November 4, 1982, with respect to (1) Classroom/Learning Resources/Student Center Project, Midlands Technical College (Airport Campus); and (2) Ground Floor Library Wing Project and Science Center Project, College of Charleston.

The Commission received as information a progress report on a proposal for making institutions responsible for all maintenance, renovation, and repairs of physical facilities. Recommendations will be considered by the Commission in February, 1983.

The Commission voted to recommend proposed legislation to ensure equitable representation of women and minorities on the governing board of each public college and university as proposed in the State Higher

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APPROVAL OF REDUCTION
IN FORCE POLICIES AT
USC BRANCH CAMPUSES

CONSIDERATION OF
SUGGESTION TO
TERMINATE UN-
ACCREDITED PROGRAMS
IN BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF CONSULT-
ANTS FOR REVIEW OF
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
PROGRAMS

RATIFICATION OF
RECOMMENDED CHANGES
IN 1983 CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT REQUESTS

REPORT ON PROPOSAL
TO MAKE INSTITUTIONS
RESPONSIBLE FOR MAIN-
TENANCE AND RENOVA-
TION OF FACILITIES

REPORT ON TRUSTEE
LEGISLATION

Education Desegregation Plan (Appendix K). The recommendation will be transmitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on Trustee Legislatio

The Commission deferred the election of officers for 1983 until its meeting on February 3, 1983.

Ms. Alvena M. Smarr has been appointed Coordinator of the State Desegregation Plan on the staff of the Commission. Formerly Director of Research of the Senate Education Committee, Ms. Smarr has also worked for the Legislative Audit Council, has administered federally funded education programs, and has held teaching positions in the public schools in Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina. She is a graduate of Appalachian State University (B.S., 1965; M.A., 1968) and is a doctoral candidate in Educational Research and Evaluation at the University of South Carolina.

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DEFERRAL OF
ELECTION OF
OFFICERS

STAFF APPOINTMENT