

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Technical College of the Lowcountry
October 1, 1992
10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. William J. Whitener, Chairman
Dr. D. Glenburn Askins, Jr.
Mr. Fred L. Day
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher
Mr. R. Austin Gilbert, Jr.
Mr. Marvin C. Jones
Ms. Reba Anne Kinon
Mr. Henry D. McMaster
Mr. Edwin L. McMullen, Jr.
Mr. Lewis Phillips
Mr. Edwin E. Tolbert, Sr.
Ms. Mildred R. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Elaine Freeman
Mr. Kenneth E. Goad
Mr. Roger E. Henderson
Dr. Raymond E. Ramage
Mr. Joseph J. Turner, Jr.

STAFF

Mr. Michael L. Brown
Ms. Sandra E. Carr
Mr. Charles D. FitzSimons
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Lynn Metcalf
Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. Robert K. Poch
Dr. Mike Raley
Mr. Fred R. Sheheen
Mr. John E. Smalls
Ms. Janet E. Stewart
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon E. Syrett
Ms. Julia E. Wells

GUESTS

Ms. Carolyn Banner
Mr. Colden Battey
Mr. Arthur M. Bjontegard
Mr. Rick Boulware
Mr. Anthony Brewer
Mr. Brian Byrd
Mr. Henry Cauthen
Ms. Ellen Chamberlain
Dr. Dean Cleghorn
Dr. Roy Darby
Ms. Grace Dennis
Ms. Judy DiGrazia
Mr. Everett Feight
Dr. Conrad Festa
Mr. John Foss
Ms. Claudice Frazier
Mr. Charles W. Gould
Rev. Ervin Greene
Ms. Ann Hagins
Mr. Shawn Hardiman
Ms. Helen Harvey
Ms. Anne Hirschmann
Mr. Bob Hogan
Dr. H. McLean Holderfield
Dr. Charles Jennett
Ms. Diane D. Kesler
Mr. Billy Keyserling
Ms. Harriet Keyserling
Mr. John L. Long
Ms. Cheryl Lopanik
Dr. Albert E. Lyles
Ms. Sally Mayse
Ms. Frances E. McCollough
Dr. Anne S. McNutt
Dr. Lila Meeks
Mr. Gerald Merwin
Mr. Vincent Mesaric
Ms. Abby Miller
Dr. James C. Moeser
Dr. Sol Neidich

Ms. Janet Newcomb
Mr. Earl Norwood
Mr. George O'Kelly
Mr. Roger Patterson
Dr. Blanche Premo-Hopkins
Mr. Ben Prescott
Ms. Renate W. Prescott
Ms. Gail A. Quick
Dr. George M. Reeves
Ms. Judy Renick
Dr. Larry Roland
Mr. Jim Roth
Ms. Olivia Sanders
Mr. Ron Schoenherr
Ms. Nora Schuker
Mr. Fred Seitz
Ms. Lee Shaffer
Mr. Richard Shaw
Mr. Mool Shekhawat
Dr. Gordon Sprout
Dr. Paul Stanton
Ms. Beverly Stark
Mr. Floyd Tyler
Ms. Mollie van Harlingen
Mr. Fred Washington, Jr.
Ms. Harriet Whyte
Mr. Myles Williams
Mr. Sonnie Williams
Ms. Denise Williams
Ms. Dorothy Wrede

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Dwayne Buffington
Mr. John Ihrig
Mr. Rob Novit
Mr. Bill Robinson
Mr. Juan Singleton
Mr. Grayson Smith
Ms. Barbara Thomas
Mr. John Williams

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

1. Dr. McNutt welcomed the Commission to the Technical College of the Lowcountry and invited members, guests, and staff to a luncheon following the meeting. Mr. Whitener thanked Dr. McNutt for her hospitality during the Commission's visit to the Technical College of the Lowcountry.

2. Approval of Minutes of Meetings of August 24-25, 1992

It was moved (Tolbert), seconded (Williams), and voted that the minutes of the meetings of August 24-25, 1992 be approved as written.

3. Committee Reports

Mr. Whitener reported on the following matter:

- 3.01 Report of Executive Committee - Creation of Committee on Two-Year Education

During the past four decades, South Carolina has developed a dual system of two-year colleges, five branch campuses of the University of South Carolina and 16 technical colleges. Since 1989, various position papers and reports have been written on two year education. It is felt that the State should develop a comprehensive philosophy and strategy for associate degree and technical education to work toward resolving the questions remaining between the two year campuses and the technical college system.

The Executive Committee recommended that the Commission create a Committee on Two-Year Education with the following parties represented:

- Two members of the Commission on Higher Education
- Two members of the Board of Trustees of the University of South Carolina
- Two members of the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education
- Two members of the Council of Presidents, to be selected from Presidents of the senior institutions.

These members will be selected by the chairmen of the respective boards.

The Committee on Two-Year Education is authorized to name a Technical Group to undertake studies and gather data, the Technical Group to be selected from staffs of the institutions, the Commission, and appropriate legislative committees. In addition, the Technical Group will include at least one president of a technical college and one dean of a two-year campus of the University of South Carolina.

The results of the work of the Technical Group will be presented to the Committee on Two-Year Education for recommendations to the Commission on Higher Education, the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education, the University of South Carolina, and the General Assembly, if necessary.

The recommendations of the Committee on Two-Year Education should be completed for delivery to the above-mentioned entities by October 1, 1993.

It was moved (Whitener), seconded (Kinon), and voted that the recommendations 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. Resolution

A resolution in memory of Dr. Earl B. Higgins (MUSC) was presented (Attachment A). The Committee on Access and Equity expressed its sincere gratitude for Dr. Higgins' dedicated service and for the lasting contributions he made to higher education in South Carolina.

b. Update on Higher Education Awareness Program

The Higher Education Awareness Program (HEAP) has begun for 1992-93. Its purpose is to engage the interest of eighth-graders and inform them about higher education opportunities in South Carolina. The HEAP requires a working relationship between a partner school and a partner institution of higher education. Act 271 also requires business participation in the Program.

Dr. Mike Raley is making the program viable by visiting sites to discuss any suggestions, obtain information about individual approaches to the program, and explore any problem areas.

3.04 Report of Committee on Business and Finance

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

Consideration of Step 12 Items, 1993-94

The unique cost step (Step 12) of the formula is intended for items which are unique to one or to a small number of institutions, and which are not covered under other steps of the Appropriation Formula for Continuing Operations. Unlike other steps of the formula, allocations under the unique cost step are to be spent as allocated, with appropriate adjustments made based on the percent of formula received. The attached criteria (Attachment B) were used in determining what will be included in the unique cost step of

the formula.

Requests for unique cost funding have been submitted by the institutions, and Step 12 criteria were strictly applied. A summary of unique cost requests is included as Attachment C.

As chairman of the Subcommittee on Distance Learning and on behalf of the 32 institutions who support the Equipment Costs for Satellite Delivery of Distance Education, Dr. H. M. Holderfield requested reconsideration of this project.

It was moved (Gallager), seconded (McMaster), and voted that the project be approved in the amount of \$617,100. The Commission further voted that the Commission staff explore options for funding the total request through a loan from the State Installment Purchase Plan (IPP) with CHE acting as the fiscal agent and, if the loan is approved, that the Commission introduce a proviso for servicing the debt of the IPP note. If it is determined that an IPP loan is not feasible, the approved funding would be a part of Step 12 for USC-Columbia, which would serve as the fiscal agent. In the event of less than full funding, the State Video Council would determine the allocation of available funds.

It was moved (Jones), seconded (Day), and voted that the remaining unique cost requests be approved as recommended.

4. Presentation on New Method for Displaying Estimated Program Costs and Revenues in New Program Proposal Recommendations

Dr. Morrison, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, reported on the following matters:

An Estimated Program Cost & Revenue Development Model is included as Attachment D. This method of estimating existing and new costs and revenues will assist the staff and Commission in the review of proposed new degree programs.

College Course Prerequisites: Applied Academics Courses

The Preparation for the Technologies program (Tech Prep) is a new initiative to restructure secondary curricula for students which will result in two curricular strands: Tech Prep and College Prep. The Applied Academics Courses constitute the academic core for secondary coursework of the Tech Prep model. Under the policy of the Commission for admission to baccalaureate degree programs, none of the Tech Prep Applied Academics Courses qualifies currently as a college preparatory course for direct entry into baccalaureate studies, but a Tech Prep student may attend a two-year college as they are exempt from the prerequisites policy. Students choosing Tech Prep and a two-year college may later transfer to a four-year program.

Dr. Morrison stated that all students should be advised correctly and appropriately so that they might achieve their goals for postsecondary study. There is a need to clarify the relationship of

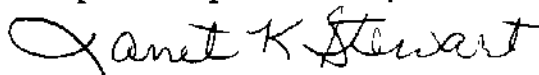
Tech Prep Applied Academics Courses to the prerequisites courses for admission to the public four-year colleges and universities.

5. Other Business

Mr. Sheheen stated that a hearing should be held to determine if the license currently held by Millie Lewis of Charleston should be revoked because of violations of Chapter 59 of Title 59 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, the South Carolina Proprietary School Act, and Article 9, State Board of Education Regulations, Proprietary Schools, unless this matter is resolved by the reinstatement of a bond, and the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education is notified prior to the scheduled hearing. It was moved (Gallager), seconded (Jones), and voted that a committee be appointed to hear the matter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet K. Stewart

Recording Secretary