

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 1, 1999  
10:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. R. Austin Gilbert, Jr.,  
Chairman  
Ms. Rosemary H. Byerly  
Ms. Dianne Chinnes  
Ms. Susan Cole  
Mr. Dalton B. Floyd, Jr.  
Mr. Frank Gilbert  
Mr. Winfred S. Greene  
Mr. Lawrence Gressette, Jr.  
Dr. Joab M. Lesesne, Jr.  
Dr. Harry Lightsey, Jr.  
Gen. Thomas R. Olsen  
Mr. Bill Stern

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mr. Tim Dangerfield

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dr. Rayburn Barton  
Ms. Camille Brown  
Ms. Julie Carullo  
Mr. Charlie Fitzsimons  
Ms. Betsy Gunter  
Ms. Sherry Hubbard  
Mr. Alan Krech  
Dr. David Loope

Ms. Lynn Metcalf  
Ms. Isolene Montgomery  
Dr. Gail Morrison  
Mr. John Smalls  
Dr. Mike Smith  
Ms. Tobi Swartz  
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

**GUESTS**

Dr. Dianne Brandstadter  
Ms. Betty Barnes  
Mr. Art Bjontegard  
Ms. Betty Boatwright  
Ms. Bridgett Burlis  
Mr. Don Campbell  
Ms. Jo Ellen Cantrell  
Mr. Douglas Carlisle  
Dr. John Cormier  
Dr. Deborah Cureton  
Dr. Robert Cuttino  
Dr. Jim Edwards  
Mr. David Fleming  
Ms. Dawn Galliner  
Mr. Ron Garrick  
Dr. Candace Gosnell  
Mr. Ralph Green  
Dr. Randall Hickman  
Ms. Fran Howell  
Dr. Rich Johnson

Ms. Karen Jones  
Dr. Frankie Keels  
Mr. Chris Kennerly  
Mr. Thornton Kirby  
Mr. Jim Kirk  
Ms. Dorcas Kitchings  
Mr. Jerry Knighton  
Dr. Kumar  
Mr. Russell Long  
Ms. Bonita Marion  
Dr. Harry G. Matthews  
Mr. Gary McCombs  
Mr. Bob Mellon  
Dr. Bob Mignone  
Ms. Jackie Olsen  
Dr. Charlie Parker  
Ms. Ginny Register  
Ms. Gerry Scholer  
Ms. Laura Shealy  
Dr. Jackie Skubal  
Mr. Dwayne Smiling  
Ms. Myra Smith  
Dr. John Sutusky  
Dr. Lovely Ulmer-Sottong  
Dr. Marcia Welsh  
Dr. Carolyn West

**PRESS**

Ms. Chris Crumbo

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Gilbert, who then asked Mr. Alan Krech to proceed with the introductions.

**1. Introductions**

Guests were introduced and welcomed to the Commission meeting.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

A **motion** was made (Floyd), **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to approve the minutes as submitted.

**3. Committee Reports**

**3.01 Report of the Executive Committee** **Chairman Austin Gilbert**  
(No Report)

**3.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing** **Mr. Winfred Greene**  
(No Report)

**3.03 Report of the Committee on Access, Equity & Student Services** **Mr. Frank Gilbert**

A. Consideration of Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on the Access and Equity Program

The recommendations and additional information are provided as **Attachment I**. Each recommendation was read and dealt with individually and the summary of that process is below.

Recommendation:

1. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Greene), **carried**
2. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Stern), **carried**
3. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Chinnes), **carried**
4. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Olsen), **carried**
5. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Cole), **failed** - (3 yes, 7 no.)
6. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Greene), **carried**

Following approval of the 6<sup>th</sup> recommendation, the Commission returned to discussion of the 5<sup>th</sup> recommendation, which had failed. There was a **motion** (Stern), **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** that the Ad Hoc Committee and appropriate standing committees should re-convene and develop a detailed budget showing how the proposed Access and Equity funds should be spent and resubmit a proposal for funding.

7. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Lesesne, Stern), **carried**
8. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Byerly), **carried**
9. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Greene), **carried**
10. - 14. **Motion** (F. Gilbert), **second** (Greene)

After discussion, there was a substitute **motion** (Floyd), **seconded** (Byerly) and **carried** to refer these five recommendations back to the Committee to work with the appropriate standing committees (Committee on Planning & Assessment) to work out the details of these recommendations.

Committee Chairman F. Gilbert then made a **motion** to amend the substitute **motion**, which was **seconded** (Stern) and **carried** to include the Committee on Access, Equity and Student Services

**3.04 Committee on Finance and Facilities Ms. Rosemary Byerly**

**A. Consideration of Special Appropriation Request to Remediate Environmental, Health and Safety Issues at SC State University**

There was a **motion** (Byerly), **seconded** (Olsen) and **carried** to adopt the staff recommendation with regard to the South Carolina State University's "Request for Special Appropriation to Remediate Environmental, Health and Safety Issues" (**Attachment II**).

**3.03 Report of Committee on Planning, Assessment and Performance Funding**

- A. Consideration of Guidelines for Performance Improvement funding
- B. Consideration of the Calendar for 1999-2000
- C. Consideration of the Schedule for Indicators
- D. Report on the Rating Process for Year 3
- E. Report on the distribution of the New Performance Funding Workbook

A **motion** (Floyd) was made. **seconded** (Stern) and **carried** to adopt Items A-D as written. (**Attachments III, IV**)

Item E was offered as information. Everyone was invited to attend the next meeting on April 27 for consideration of ratings.

**4. Report of the Executive Director Rayburn Barton**

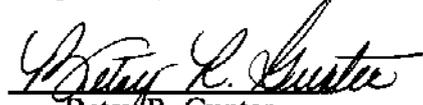
- 1. Legislative Update – the Senate passed a bond bill that contains mostly higher education projects (\$165,000,000). The budget is working its way through the Senate and the Senate (Finance Higher Education) Subcommittee is expected to report next week to the Senate Finance Committee.
- 2. There was a reminder that the Statement of Economic Interest Form is due from members by April 15.
- 3. The Access and Equity Officer position candidate pool has been narrowed down to four finalists whom we will be interviewing next week. Hopefully the start date for that position will be June 2, 1999 or shortly thereafter.
- 4. Concerning the need to continue working and refining the MRR (funding model), a recommendation will be received from the Funding Advisory Group at the meeting next month. The recommendation will be that we use an

outside consultant paid for jointly by the Commission and the institutions to validate the MMR adopted last June 4. It is important to integrate that process with the remainder of the work of the Performance Funding Committee. A proposed RFP to validate the June 4 MMR model will be brought to the Finance Committee at the May meeting. The recommended timetable will be to conduct the study over the summer and that refinements be brought to the Commission for consideration by the Commission at the September meeting. This time will allow for all work to be completed prior to the budget cycle.

5. There was a presentation by Mr. Art Bjontegard of the **South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, Inc.**
6. **Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Betsy R. Gunter  
Recording Secretary

Attachments I-IV