

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

January 9, 1986
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Fred R. Sheheen, Chairman
Mr. George L. Brightharp
Mr. Tom Moore Craig
Mr. W. Jerry Fedder
Mr. Robert C. Gallagher
Mr. Roosevelt Gilliam, Jr.
Mr. B. P. Gordon III
Mr. Robert E. Graham
Dr. Alba M. Lewis
Mr. David B. Smith
Mrs. Nanette H. Smyth
Mrs. Nelle H. Taylor
Mr. William J. Whitener
Dr. Robert F. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Willa J. DeWitt
Mr. Harold W. Jacobs
Mr. Mortimer F. Smith
Mr. Robert L. Utsey, Jr.

STAFF

Dr. Jeffrey Bartkovich
Dr. Howard R. Boozer
Mr. Charles A. Brooks, Jr.
Ms. Sandra E. Carr
Dr. Jeanette A. Deas
Dr. Frank E. Kinard
Mr. Alan S. Krech
Ms. Lynn W. Metcalf

GUESTS

Dr. Francis T. Borkowski
Dr. Carl A. Carpenter
Dr. James G. Fox
Dr. Dr. H. M. Holderfield
Dr. Larry A. Jackson
Dr. Elmer L. Knight
Dr. Benjamin F. Lawson
Dr. Edward J. Lawton
Dr. Carolyn McIver
Mr. J. Lacy McLean
B. Gen. George F. Meenaghan
Mr. David P. Rinker
Dr. Michael Smith

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Mr. Sean Callebs
Mr. Sid Gaulden
Mr. John Norton
Ms. Maureen Shurr
Mr. Steve Smith

Dr. Gail M. Morrison
Dr. James A. Paschal
Ms. Ann J. Shelton
Dr. John E. Smalls
Dr. Leonard P. Sternbach
Dr. John C. Sutusky
Ms. Gaylon Syrett
Ms. Julia E. Wells

I. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of December 5, 1985

It was moved (Lewis), seconded (Taylor), and voted that the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 1985, be adopted as written.

II. Election of Officers for 1986

It was moved (Gilliam), seconded (Gallagher), and voted that Mr. Sheheen be nominated for Chairman.

It was moved (Williams), seconded (Smyth), and voted that Mr. Gallagher be nominated for Vice Chairman.

It was moved (Brightharp), seconded (Williams), and voted that nominations be closed and Mr. Sheheen and Mr. Gallagher be elected by acclamation. Mr. Sheheen and Mr. Gallagher were elected Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively.

III. Report of Committee on Academic Affairs

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

Consideration of Revised Standards for Approval by the State Board of Education of Teacher Education Programs. The Education Improvement Act of 1984 requires the State Board of Education to develop, in consultation with the Commission on Higher Education, and promulgate additional and upgraded standards for teacher education programs. A Program Approval Standards Committee was appointed by the State Superintendent in spring 1985. Proposed additional and upgraded standards were developed by this Committee, which was chaired by Senator Nell W. Smith and included representatives of the General Assembly, public and private colleges, and public and private schools. Final recommendations of this Committee were not adopted until after a series of three public hearings, held at various locations around the State.

On November 8, 1985, the State Board of Education announced its intent to promulgate, as required by the Administrative Procedures Act, these proposed new standards and procedures at its meeting in January 1986. No individual or agency has requested of the State Board, as provided for in the Administrative Procedures Act, a public hearing following the announcement on November 8 of the intent to promulgate the standards.

The Committee on Academic Affairs recommends that the standards be approved. It was moved (Taylor) and seconded (Gilliam) that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. A substitute motion was made (Brightharp) and seconded (Smyth) that the following requirement with respect to the standards for faculty be deleted:

"By 1990, each program area leading to teacher certification will have at least one full-time faculty member within the School/College/Department of Education holding a terminal degree in the generic area based upon the following criteria: (a) Secondary Education, (b) Early Childhood Education, (c) Elementary Education, and (d) each K-12 area of Art, Music, Physical Education, Media, and Special Education."

At the invitation of the Chairman, Dr. Elmer L. Knight of the State Department of Education stated that the Program Approval Standards Committee believes that the requirement should be retained. He noted that the requirement will not go into effect until 1990, in deference to affected institutions and individuals.

The substitute motion was disapproved. Mr. Brightharp stated that a number of private colleges in the State have indicated that they will have problems in complying with that standard. The motion was adopted, with Mr. Brightharp and Mrs. Smyth opposing.

IV. Report of Committee on Business and Finance

Mr. Gallagher, chairman of the Committee on Business and Finance, reported on the following matter:

Budget and Control Board Recommendations for 1986-87. Mr. Gallagher reported that because of the State's projected revenue shortfall in 1985-86, the Budget and Control Board voted on January 6 to reduce all State agency budgets by 2% for the current fiscal year, with a few exceptions. He stated, and Mr. Sheheen agreed, that the Commission should request that the Budget and Control Board and the General Assembly permit use of the State's Reserve Fund to achieve full formula funding.

Mr. Gallagher stated that the Budget and Control Board has also recommended \$371 million for higher education for 1986-87, or 96.5% of full formula funding, rejecting the Commission's request for a 3.1% increase over 1985-86 appropriations for higher education. He noted that of the major agency budget requests, the largest was for a 56.1% increase over the current year. Of these, Budget and Control Board recommendations range from an 18.3% increase for the Department of Corrections to the 0.0% increase recommended for higher education.

V. Report of Committee on Facilities

Mr. Graham, chairman of the Committee on Facilities, reported on the following matter:

Consideration of Funding for Architectural and Engineering Design of New Building for School of Music, University of South Carolina. USC-Columbia has requested authorization to use \$210,000 in institutional funds for the design and development of the architectural and engineering planning phase of a new building for its School of Music. The Committee on Facilities recommends approval with the understanding that approval is only for the design, development, and planning stage of the project, and that the University must obtain Commission approval prior to any commitment for construction. It was moved (Graham), seconded (D. Smith), and voted that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

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

Mr. Gilliam, chairman of the Committee on Implementation of the State Desegregation Plan, reported that printed copies of the State Plan for 1986-87 and Beyond, approved by the Commission on December 5, 1985, are available. He expressed appreciation to the staff for its work in preparing and distributing this report.

VII. Other Business

a. Appointments to Standing Committees. Mr. Sheheen stated that appointments to Standing Committees for 1986 will be made within the next few days.

b. Resignation of Mr. Fedder. Mr. Sheheen noted the resignation of Mr. Fedder from the Commission, effective immediately. Mr. Fedder has been appointed to the South Carolina Industrial Commission. Mr. Sheheen presented Mr. Fedder a framed certificate. Mr. Sheheen's remarks are attached as Exhibit A.

c. Retirement of Dr. Boozer. Mr. Sheheen announced the retirement of Dr. Boozer as Executive Director of the Commission, effective June 30, 1986. Dr. Boozer has served as Executive Director since July 1, 1973. Mr. Sheheen's remarks are attached as Exhibit B.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Gaylon Syrett
Recording Secretary