

**Access & Equity Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting**  
**Pawleys Plantation Golf and Country Club**  
**Conference Center**  
**April 7, 2010**  
**2:30 p.m.**

**Committee Members:**

Mr. Keith Britton  
Ms. Daphne Carter  
Ms. Gay Coleman  
Mr. Bobby Gist  
Ms. Sylvia Holmes  
Dr. Mary Holloway  
Dr. Ashok Kabisatpathy  
Mr. Jerry Knighton  
Ms. Sherry Monheim  
Mr. Robert Pickering  
Ms. Patricia Tolbert  
Ms. Pat Singleton-Young

**Staff:**

Mr. Michael Brown

**Visitors:**

Ms. Caroline Canty  
Dr. Rodney Cohen  
Ms. Avis Gathers  
Ms. Sharon Harriott  
Ms. Amber Lange  
Ms. Teresa Mack

The meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

1. **Call to Order**

Mr. Michael Brown called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

2. **Introductions**

Institutional representatives introduced themselves, providing their name and institution's name.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Sharon Harriott made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gay Coleman. The minutes were approved.

4. **Legislative/Budget Updates**

Mr. Brown provided the following updates

- Budget cut from \$502,000 to \$416,000 (a 17% decrease). There may be another cut before the end of the year. All CHE flow through funds and funds allocated to institutions were cut.
- Mr. Brown distributed a legislative update handout.

5. **Institutional Updates**

Open general discussion regarding:

- Collaborative strategies and other alternative means to support A & E initiatives.
- Grant proposal - a call for volunteers to work with Mr. Brown to explore avenues for funds.
- Dropout rates for all males

- State has high dropout and low graduation rates; maybe positioned well for new federal funding. History of A&E (Desegregation- federal dollars from 60s-70s; 80s and 90s to A&E) would be a good introduction for the proposal.
- Mr. Bobby Gist suggested that Rick Wade would be a good access to help access some federal funding opportunities.

The following institutional representatives provided program updates.

USC- Sumter  
USC- Columbia  
Midlands Technical College  
Lander University  
Horry-Georgetown Tech  
Denmark Tech  
Citadel  
Florence-Darlington  
Technical College of the Low Country  
Presbyterian College  
Clemson  
Francis Marion

6. **Other Business**

Reporting of Measurable Goals

- Will have as an agenda item in the summer
- Problems getting or correctly completing reports

7. **Adjournment**

Ms. Amber Lange motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Sylvia Holmes seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Recorder  
Dr. Mary Holloway