

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION  
1333 Main Street, Suite 200  
Columbia, S.C. 29201  
***Minutes of the Meeting***  
**June 3, 2010**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**Commission Members Attending** \*\*

Mr. Ken Wingate, Chairman  
Dr. Doug Forbes  
Dr. Bettie Rose Horne, Vice Chair  
Mr. Ken Jackson  
Dr. Raghu Korrapati  
Mr. Jim Sanders  
Mr. Bill Scarborough  
Mr. Guy Tarrant  
Mr. Hood Temple  
Dr. Charles Thomas  
Mr. Neal Workman  
Dr. Mick Zais

**Commission Members Absent**

Ms. Cyndi Mosteller  
Mr. Chuck Talbert

**Staff Present**

Dr. Garrison Walters, Executive Director  
Ms. Laura Belcher  
Ms. Courtney Blake  
Ms. Camille Brown  
Mr. Michael Brown  
Ms. Julie Carullo  
Ms. Lorinda Copeland  
Mr. Gary Glenn  
Ms. Lane Goodwin  
Dr. Paula Gregg  
Ms. Trena Houpp  
Mr. Clint Mullins  
Ms. Yolanda Myers  
Dr. Mike Raley  
Ms. Beth Rogers  
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

**Guests**

Dr. Kris Finnigan, USC Columbia  
Dr. Debra Jackson, Clemson University (phone)  
Mr. Rick Kelly, USC Columbia  
Ms. Nicole Ford-Jennings, SC Budget & Control Board  
Mr. Mike LeFever, SC Independent Colleges & Universities  
Ms. Beth McInnis, Clemson University  
Ms. Jen Phelps, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners  
Ms. Helen Zeigler, USC Columbia

**Members of the Press**

none

\*\* Chairman Wingate and Commissioners Forbes and Tarrant participated in person. Commissioners Horne, Jackson, Korrapati, Sanders, Scarborough, Temple, Thomas, Workman, and Zais participated by teleconference.

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

## **1. Introductions**

- **Julie Carullo**

Ms. Carullo introduced all in attendance, all of whom are listed above.

## **2. Approval of Minutes**

- **Ken Wingate**

A **motion** was made (Tarrant) to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2010, CHE meeting. Commissioner Forbes then stated that there were omissions in the minutes. He requested that the minutes be revised to reflect the discussion verbatim including the names of the individuals who voted for and against approval of the M.B.A. program at the College of Charleston as well as those who voted for and against Commissioner Sanders' proposal that would require the College of Charleston to report within a three-year period on the status of the program. Commissioner Forbes also requested that the comments made at that meeting by Mr. Dan Ravenel be reflected in the minutes.

A **motion** was then made (Forbes), **seconded**, (Tarrant) and **carried** to table the approval of the May 6, 2010 minutes pending their revision.

## **3. Chairman's Report**

- **Ken Wingate**

Chairman Wingate stated he would defer his report to Dr. Walters who would provide information on the various activities in which both of them had been involved since the May 6 CHE meeting.

## **4. Report of the Executive Director**

- **Garrison Walters**

Dr. Walters began his report with comments on the upcoming retirement of Dr. Gail Morrison. He highlighted her many contributions and achievements, commended her for her outstanding work, and stated she would be sorely missed by the CHE.

Dr. Walters reported on the meetings and presentations in which he and/or Chairman Wingate had participated, among them meetings with the Association of General Contractors in Greenville, Columbia, and Charleston, the Columbia and Spartanburg Rotary Clubs, and the Charleston Chamber of Commerce. He stated that he and Chairman Wingate would be participating in a webinar with the SC Realtors Association today at 12:00 noon.

Commissioner Horne then added complimentary remarks about Dr. Morrison. Commissioner Sanders requested that a resolution from Commissioners be drafted in recognition of Dr. Morrison's outstanding service to higher education. Chairman Wingate agreed, and he thanked Commissioner Sanders for this recommendation.

## **5. Legislative Report**

- **Julie Carullo**

Ms. Carullo reported that recommendations from the group that has been working on the inquiry from Chairman Owens of House Education and Public Works Committee concerning policies related to the meningitis vaccination would be finalized shortly and will be circulated to the public institutions. She stated that the General Assembly was still in the process of finalizing their work on the budget. If completed by the end of the day today as scheduled, they will send it to the Governor, and return later in the month to consider any vetoes. Ms. Carullo reported that the budget Conference Committee report reflected no changes from most recent House and Senate versions of the budget with regard to appropriations for higher education. She noted that the report did reflect a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the list of priorities for the expenditure of any excess unclaimed prize money from the lottery and outlined the list adopted in the report which includes after the certified excess unclaimed prize funds allocations of \$100,000 for the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS), \$1.5 million for the Partnership for the Alliance of South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL), approximately \$5.5 million for technology for public 2-year and 4-year institutions, and other priorities as listed previously in both budgets. Ms. Carullo reported that the regulatory reform bills will not be expected to pass this year and that she would provide a more detailed report at the conclusion of the session.

## 6. Presentations

No presentations were delivered at this meeting.

## 7. Report of the Higher Education Action Plan Ad Hoc Committee

- Ken Wingate

Chairman Wingate stated that the updated status report (as of May 26, 2010) of the Action Plan Implementation Plan (**Attachment I**) had been distributed to Commissioners for their review. He and Dr. Walters encouraged Commissioners to review that report carefully.

## 8. Committee Reports

### 8.01 Report of the Executive Committee

- Ken Wingate

The draft minutes of the May 27, 2010, Executive Committee meeting (**Attachment II**) had been distributed to Commissioners for information.

### 8.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

- Bettie Rose Horne

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing had no report.

### 8.03 Report of Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services

- Cynthia Mosteller

The Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services had no report.

### 8.04 Report of Committee on Finance and Facilities

- Jim Sanders

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### A. Interim Capital Projects

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|-----------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Clemson University                   | - | Freeman Hall Expansion (Phase I)                                   |
| 2. Medical University of South Carolina | - | Replace Psych Institute Generators, ATS, And Switchgear (Phase II) |
| 3. South Carolina State University      | - | Campuswide Energy Performance contract, (Phase I) (Phase II)       |

### B. Leases

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| 1. University of South Carolina Columbia | - | Carolina Fair Park |
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### C. List of Capital Projects & Leases Processed by Staff for May 2010 (For Information)

Commissioner Sanders stated that the Committee on Finance and Facilities had approved the projects and lease listed in Agenda Item 8.04 at its meeting earlier in the morning, details about which may be found in **Attachment III**. These items were presented to the full Commission by consent.

A **motion** was made (Sanders) and **carried** to approve Agenda Items 8.04A 1 & 2 and 8.04B.

In response to Commissioner Sanders' request, Mr. Gary Glenn provided information on the Agenda Item 8.04A 3, the Campuswide Energy Performance contract at South Carolina State University, which had been added to agenda after this CHE meeting's materials were originally distributed. He stated that the cost of this project will be borne by the estimated savings that will be realized over a twelve year period. He stated that the Committee on Finance and Facilities voted to approve this project unanimously at its meeting earlier in the morning. Mr. Glenn reported that \$300,000 of the total funding for this project will be energy-specific funds

distributed under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) which requires that the project result in overall savings to the institution.

A **motion** was made (Sanders) and **carried** to approve Agenda Item 8.04A 3.

Commissioner Sanders stated that Agenda Item 8.04C the Capital Projects & Leases Processed by Staff for May 2010 was provided for information.

In response to Commissioner Sanders' request, Commissioner Forbes reported that Columbia Mayor-elect, Steve Benjamin, had contacted him with regard to the possibility of re-locating the University of South Carolina School of Law to the Main Street building which formerly housed the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company. He stated that the University is considering this as an option. Mr. Glenn reported that the University affirmed in the prior committee meeting that it will to pursue this as a possibility, and that they will conduct a feasibility study and bring it to the CHE for consideration.

## **9. Other Business**

Chairman Wingate reminded Commissioners that Wednesday, August 4 and Thursday, August 5, 2010 the annual presentations by the public institution presidents would take place in conjunction with the regular monthly meeting of the CHE on August 4. He stated that Tuesday, August 3, was being considered as a possible date to hold a retreat for Commissioners at The Inn at USC and asked Commissioners for feedback. Commissioner Horne suggested that the retreat begin around mid-day. Commissioners agreed on August 3 as the date for that retreat, an agenda for which will be developed and circulated to Commissioners in advance. Chairman Wingate also reminded Commissioners that no CHE meeting was scheduled for the month of July.

## **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Beth B. Rogers*  
Beth B. Rogers  
Recording Secretary

Attachments (I-III)

\*Attachments are not included in this mailing, but will be filed with the permanent record of these minutes and are available for review upon request.