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SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

1122 Lady Street, Suite 300
Columbia, SC 29201

Minutes of the Meeting

May 1, 2014

Commission Members Attending

General John Finan, Chair
Dr. Bettie Rose Horne, Vice-chair
Ms. Natasha Hanna
Ms. Elizabeth Jackson
Ms. Dianne Kuhl
Ms. Leah Moody
Admiral Charles Munns
Mr. Kim Phillips
Ms. Terrye Seckinger
Dr. Jennifer Settlemeyer (phone)
Mr. Hood Temple

Commission Members Absent

none

Staff Attending

Dr. Richard Sutton, Executive Director
Dr. Argentini Anderson
Ms. Laura Belcher
Ms. Courtney Blake
Ms. Camille Brown
Ms. Saundra Carr
Ms. Julie Carullo
Ms. Renea Eshleman
Mr. Gary Glenn
Ms. Lane Goodwin
Dr. Paula Gregg
Ms. Trena Houpp
Dr. MaryAnn Janosik
Dr. John Lane
Ms. Yolanda Myers
Ms. Beth Rogers
Ms. Tanya Rogers
Ms. Edna Strange
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

Guests

Ms. Beth Bell, Clemson University
Dr. David DeCenzo, Coastal Carolina University
Dr. Elizabeth Dinndorf, Columbia College
Mr. Tim Drueke, Winthrop University
Dr. Kris Finnigan, USC Columbia
Mr. Peter Goplerud, InfiLaw
Mr. Derek Gruner, USC Columbia
Dr. Christine Hait, Columbia College
Dr. Laurie B. Hopkins, Columbia College
Mr. Kevin Hall, Womble Carlyle Sandridge &
Rice, LLP (InfiLaw)
Mr. Robert Harrell, III, Charleston School of
Law Alumni Association
Ms. Rikki Harris, Charleston School of Law
Alumni Association
Dr. Debra Jackson, Clemson University
Dr. Patricia Lee, Williamsburg Technical College
Ms. Sha'Rhonda Blair, Williamsburg Technical
College
Dr. Karen Maquire, Coastal Carolina University
Mr. Steve Osborne, College of Charleston
Dr. Suzanne Ozment, USC Aiken
Mr. Eddie Shannon, SC Independent Colleges
& Universities
Dr. Darlene Shaw, Medical University of SC
Mr. Andrew Smith, Associated Press
Mr. Adam Taylor, Lander University
Mr. Hobart Trotter, InfiLaw

1. Introductions

- Tanya Rogers

Ms. Rogers recorded and announced the names of all those in attendance as listed above. She also stated that the meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. At the invitation of Chairman Finan, Dr. David DeCenzo expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to be present for the Commission's recognition of a Coastal Carolina University initiative and faculty member as one of the Service Learning Award winners.

Chairman Finan then recognized and welcomed the Commission's most recently appointed Commissioner, Ms. Terrye Seckinger, representing the 1st Congressional District.

2. Approval of Minutes

- John Finan

A **motion** was made (Temple), **seconded** (Kuhl), and **carried** to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2014 CHE meeting.

3. Presentation of Service Learning Awards

- Hood Temple

Commissioner Temple reported that the individuals who served with him on the panel to select the Service Learning Award winners were: Ms. Stephanie Frazier with the SC Technical College System; Ms. Dana Yow with the Education Oversight Committee; Mr. Mike LeFever with the SC Independent Colleges and Universities; and Mr. Gerrick Hampton and Ms. Trena Houpp from the CHE staff. He then provided an overview and history of CHE's Service Learning Award initiative which recognizes exemplary contributions to service learning and volunteerism. Mr. Temple stated that of the 14 programs nominated this year, 3 had been selected for the award: 1 from the public four-year institutions, 1 from the public two-year institutions, and 1 from the independent institutions. He then announced and congratulated the award winners who were: 1) Coastal Carolina University: Learning in Accounting to Assist Local Not-for-Profit Organizations, Project Director – Dr. Karen Maguire; 2) Williamsburg Technical College: First Annual Health Fair, Project Director – Mrs. Judy Coker; and 3) Columbia College: Sophomore Seminar on Diversity, Gender, and Social Justice with Service Learning at Ebenezer Lutheran/Community CME TASC After School Program, Project Director – Dr. Christine Hait. Joining these Project Directors as they were recognized by the Commission were: Dr. David DeCenzo, President, Coastal Carolina University; Dr. Patricia Lee, President, Williamsburg Technical College and Ms. Sha'Rhonda Blair, President of the College's chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society; and Dr. Elizabeth Dinndorf, President, and Dr. Laurie B. Hopkins, Provost, Columbia College. Details about Service Learning Awards and each of the projects selected as this year's winners may be found in **Attachment I**.

Mr. Temple concluded the presentation of the awards by expressing his appreciation for the CHE staff and all their hard work. He recognized in particular Ms. Trena Houpp for the efficient and diligent manner in which she conducted the selection process.

4. Chairman's Report

- John Finan

Chairman Finan reported that the April 3 CHE meeting at Aiken Technical College went very well, noting the impressive programs and activities taking place on that campus. He remarked briefly on current activities in the Senate with regard to higher education and also provided highlights about the April 23, 2014, presentation of the Governor's Professor of the Year Awards.

5. Report of the Executive Director

- Richard Sutton

Dr. Sutton deferred his report until the June 5, 2014, CHE meeting but commented briefly on the excellent discussion about matters pertaining to the Charleston School of Law which had taken place at the 9:00 a.m. meeting of the Committee on Academic and Licensing.

6. Legislative Report

- Julie Carullo

Ms. Carullo's report provided information on activities of the General Assembly, which included the status of the FY 2014-15 budget and information about legislation currently under consideration. The details of her report may be found in **Attachment II**.

7. Committee Reports

7.01 Report of the Executive Committee

- John Finan

Chairman Finan reported that the Executive Committee had met on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, for the purpose of preparing the agenda for this CHE meeting.

7.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

- Bettie Rose Horne

Commissioner Horne reported that the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing had met at 9:00 a.m. to consider the change of ownership of the Charleston School of Law (CSOL) and the related application for initial licensure. She stated that the Committee began their meeting by thanking CHE staff for their tremendous effort in producing numerous documents relevant to this topic for the Committee's review. She also stated that because the Committee felt additional time was needed in order to consider this issue completely and satisfactorily, it had postponed making a decision about the matter until a specially called Committee meeting to be held on May 19, 2014.

7.03 Report of Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services

- Hood Temple

There was no report from the Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services.

7.04 Report of Committee on Governmental and Administrative Affairs

- C. L. Munns

There was no report from the Committee on Governmental and Administrative Affairs. Commissioner Munns stated, however, that the committee would hold its first meeting upon adjournment of the CHE meeting.

7.04 Report of Committee on Finance and Facilities

- Hood Temple

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Interim Capital Project

1. Coastal Carolina University - Football Stadium Field Turf

B. Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plans (CPIPs)

1. Year One Project Approvals
2. Years Two, Three, Four, and Five Summaries (For Information, No Action Required)

C. List of Capital Projects & Leases Processed by Staff for April 2014

(For Information, No Action Required)

Commissioner Temple reported that the Committee on Finance and Facilities had met at 8:30 a.m. and brought to the full Commission for approval by consent agenda **Agenda Items 7.04 A, B, & C**. **Agenda Item 7.04A** was then voted on and **approved**.

Mr. Glenn briefed Commissioners on the projects included in **Agenda Item 7.04B.1** after which those items were voted on and **approved**. Commissioner Temple then commented on **Agenda Item 7.04 C** which was provided for information only. Details about **Agenda Items 7.04 A, B, & C** may be found in **Attachment III**.

8. Other Business

There was no other business to consider.

9. Adjournment of Business Meeting

A **motion** was made (Phillips), **seconded** (Munns), and **carried** for the Commission to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at approximately 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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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.