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SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

1122 Lady Street, Suite 300
Columbia, SC 29201

Minutes of the Meeting
February 6, 2014

Commission Members Attending

General John Finan, Chair
Dr. Bettie Rose Horne, Vice-chair
Dr. Raghu Korrapati
Ms. Leah Moody
Admiral Charles Munns
Mr. Kim Phillips (phone)
Mr. Bill Scarborough
Dr. Jennifer Settlemyer (phone)
Mr. Hood Temple
Hon. Lewis Vaughn

Commission Members Absent

Ms. Natasha Hanna
Ms. Elizabeth Jackson

Staff Attending

Dr. Richard Sutton, Executive Director
Ms. Camille Brown
Ms. Sandra Carr
Ms. Julie Carullo
Ms. Elizabeth Caulder
Ms. Stephanie Charbonneau
Ms. Lorinda Copeland
Ms. Renea Eshleman
Mr. Gary Glenn
Ms. Lane Goodwin
Dr. Paula Gregg
Ms. Trena Houpp
Dr. MaryAnn Janosik
Ms. Yolanda Myers
Ms. Trudy Norton
Ms. Beth Rogers
Ms. Tanya Rogers
Ms. Edna Strange
Ms. Catherine Team
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

Guests

Mr. Andy Barfield, Holder Properties, Inc.
Ms. Beth Bell, Clemson University
Dr. Ralph Byington, Coastal Carolina University
Mr. Daniel Cooper, Charleston School of Law
Dr. Lee Crandall, Clemson University
Ms. Ashley Felder, Holder Properties, Inc.
Dr. Kris Finnigan, USC Columbia
Dr. Clif Flynn, USC Upstate
Ms. Joelle Forgeng, Florence, SC
Mr. Peter Goplerud, Infilaw
Mr. Reginald Greene, Southeastern Institute
Mr. Derek Gruner, University of SC Columbia
Dr. Courtney Haycraft, Medical University of SC
Dr. Gordon Haist, University of SC Beaufort
Mr. John Holder, Holder Properties, Inc.
Mr. Kevin Hall, Womble Carlyle Sandridge &
Rice, LLP (Infilaw)
Dr. Clifton Jones, University of SC Aiken
Mr. Rick Kelly, University of SC Columbia
Mr. Mike LeFever, SC Independent Colleges
& Universities
Dr. Learie Luke, SC State University
Mr. John McIntyre, Clemson University
Mr. Jeff Mixson, Holder Properties, Inc.
Mr. Rick Moul, PASCAL
Dr. Nancy Muller, Lowcountry Graduate Center
Mr. Graham Neff, Clemson University
Dr. Jeff Priest, USC Aiken
Mr. Blake Rawlins, Holder Properties, Inc.
Dr. Hope Rivers, SC Technical College System
Dr. Judith Salley, SC State University
Dr. Hugh Spitler, Clemson University
Dr. Nur Tanyel, USC Upstate
Mr. Adam Taylor, Lander University
Mr. David Taylor, University Center of
Greenville
Dr. Ida Thompson, USC Upstate
Mr. James Weaver, ECPI University
Dr. Helen Ziegler, University of SC Columbia

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.

2. Approval of Minutes

- John Finan

A **motion** was made (Temple) and **seconded** (Moody) to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2014 CHE meeting. Commissioner Vaughn noted that he had been listed as both present and absent in the attendance of that meeting when he had, in fact, been absent. The **motion** then **carried** to approve the minutes with the correction made as noted.

3. Chairman's Report

- John Finan

A. General Update

Chairman Finan reported that he had appointed Commissioner Munns as Chair of the Commission's new standing committee, the Committee on Governmental and Administrative Affairs. He stated that Commissioner Scarborough had agreed to serve on that committee and that he was in the process of appointing two other members to the committee.

B. Recognitions

Chairman Finan recognized Commissioner Korrapati for his service to the Commission as the 2nd Congressional District representative from November 2006 to February 2014. Chairman Finan presented him with a certificate of appreciation, after which Commissioner Korrapati expressed his thanks for having had the opportunity to serve. Chairman Finan then recognized Commissioner Vaughn for his service as the 4th Congressional District representative from March 2011 to February 2014. He also presented Commissioner Vaughn with a certificate of appreciation. Commissioner Vaughn noted that his resignation, effective February 7, 2014, was due to the fact that the Governor had appointed him to the Board of Trustees of the Greenville Hospital System. He then expressed his thanks for having had the opportunity to serve and provided complimentary comments about each of his fellow Commissioners as well as about members of the CHE staff.

Chairman Finan recognized Representative Rita Allison, who was unfortunately unable to be present for this meeting, and thanked her for her work as a staff member of the CHE from January 2003 to January 2014. He then acknowledged members participating by phone, welcoming Commissioner Phillips back to the Commission after his period of convalescence, and recognizing Commissioner Settlemyer.

4. Report of the Executive Director

- Richard Sutton

A. General Update

B. Update on the Charleston School of Law

C. Monthly Progress Report on the CHE Strategic Agenda

Dr. Sutton provided a general update on his activities and other events related to higher education since the January 9, 2014, CHE meeting as well as an update on the Charleston School of Law and a progress report on the CHE's strategic agenda. The details of his report may be found in **Attachment I**.

5. Guest Presentations:

***Lowcountry Graduate Center, Dr. Nancy J. Muller, Executive Director
University Center of Greenville, Mr. David A. Taylor, Chief Executive Officer***

Dr. Nancy Muller, Executive Director of the Lowcountry Graduate Center (LGC), provided information about the center's history, purpose, composition, and accomplishments, details about which may be found in **Attachment II**.

Following Dr. Muller's presentation and in response to Commissioner Munn's question, Dr. Muller verified that the authority for academic programs offered at LGC comes from the partner institutions as does payment for the faculty, and that state money directed toward the LGC is for facilities, administrative salaries, and support of services. Also in response to Commissioner Munn's question about LGC's relationship with Trident Technical College, Dr. Muller replied that dialogue about related non-credit programs was taking place between LGC and Trident Technical College, but that the programs offered at LGC were strictly at the graduate level as opposed to those at Trident Tech.

Dr. David Taylor, Chief Executive Officer of the University Center of Greenville (UCG), provided information about the center's mission, structure, and academic programs, details about which may be found in **Attachment III**. In response to Chairman Finan's question about the center's funding model, Mr. Taylor stated that each participating institution, public and private, pays the same tuition service fees per dedicated square footage occupied by the institution. In response to Commissioner Vaughn's question about the graduation rate of students taking courses at the center, Mr. Taylor stated that, though these rates are maintained at the participating institutions, they have not provided UCG with that information.

6. Legislative Report

- Julie Carullo

Ms. Carullo's report included information on work accomplished to date in this session of the General Assembly, the status of the FY 2014-15 budget, and on recently introduced legislation. The details of her report may be found in **Attachment IV**.

7. Report on Enrollment Trends

-Karen Woodfaulk

Chairman Finan announced that, due to time constraints of this meeting, this item would be postponed until the March 6 CHE meeting. Commissioner Munns requested that this report be forwarded to Commissioners for their review in advance of the March meeting.

8. Committee Reports

8.01 Report of the Executive Committee

- John Finan

Chairman Finan reported that the Executive Committee had met on Friday, January 31 2014, for the purpose of preparing the agenda for this CHE meeting.

8.02 Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

- Bettie Rose Horne

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration of New Program Proposals

1. Clemson University, M.S., Ph.D., Applied Research and Evaluation
2. Coastal Carolina University, Ed.S., Educational Leadership
3. Medical University of South Carolina, D.N.A.P., Post-Baccalaureate, Entry to Practice
4. Medical University of South Carolina, D.N.A.P., Post-Master's, Completion
5. Medical University of South Carolina, M.S., Oral Sciences
6. South Carolina State University, M.S., Bioengineering Science

7. University of South Carolina Aiken, M.B.A.
8. University of South Carolina Beaufort, B.S., Health Promotion
9. University of South Carolina Upstate, B.A., Child Development and Family Studies
10. University of South Carolina Upstate, B.A., Theatre
11. Winthrop University, B.A., Social Studies Education

B. Consideration of Revised Mission Statement of the Medical University of South Carolina

C. Consideration of Amendments to Existing License to Add New Program: A.A.S., Physical Therapist Assistant, ECPI University, Charleston

D. Presentation of Report on Program Modifications, September-December 2013

Commissioner Horne stated that the **Agenda Items 8.02 A – D** were brought to the full commission for approval by consent agenda. She provided brief highlights of those items, details about which may be found in **Attachment V**.

Agenda Items 8.02 A – D were then voted on and **approved**.

8.03 Report of Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services - Hood Temple

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

8.04 Report of Committee on Finance and Facilities - Y. W. Scarborough

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Interim Capital Projects

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| 1. Clemson University | - | Memorial Stadium Suites Renovation |
| | - | Littlejohn Coliseum Renovation |
| | - | West Campus Energy Plant Construction |
| 2. The Citadel | - | Deferred Maintenance 2012 |
| 3. Coastal Carolina University | - | Singleton Building Renovation |
| 4. Francis Marion University | - | Medical and Health Science Complex Construction |

B. Lease

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| 1. University of SC Columbia | - | West Campus Development Office Building |
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C. List of Capital Projects & Leases Processed by Staff for December 2013 and January 2014 (For Information, No Action Required)

Commissioner Scarborough reported that the Committee on Finance and Facilities had met at 9:15 a.m. and brought to the full Commission for approval by consent agenda **Agenda Items 8.04 A, B, & C**. He commented briefly on these items, details about which may be found in **Attachment VI**.

Commissioner Scarborough also stated that the Committee's recommendation for approval of the Francis Marion University capital project had been amended to remove the contingency in the original recommendation. The contingency removed had required that approval be contingent upon CHE approval of Francis Marion's pending Physician's Assistant Program, which is to be housed in the facility as well as review of the Memorandum of Understanding with the University of South Carolina concerning its third and fourth year medical resident program, also to be housed in the facility.

Agenda Items 8.04 A, B, & C were then voted on and **approved**.

9. Other Business

There was no other business to consider.

10. Adjournment of Business Meeting

The Commission adjourned its business portion of the meeting at approximately 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth B. Rogers
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Recording Secretary

Attachments (I - VI)

*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.