

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Meeting held at
1122 Lady Street, Suite 300
Columbia, S.C. 29201
2:00 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting
May 31, 2019

Commissioners Attending

Mr. Wes Hayes, Chair
Mr. Chuck Munns, Vice Chair
Mr. Paul Batson*
Mr. Jim Battle
Ms. Julie Godshall Brown*

Mr. Charles Dalton
Ms. Linda Dolny
Mr. Edgar Dyer*
Mr. Devron Edwards
Dr. Bettie Rose Horne

Mr. Ben Satcher
Ms. Terrye Seckinger
Dr. Cleveland Sellers
Mr. Patrick White*

Commissioners Absent

Dr. Mark Smith (excused)

Guests Attending

Ms. Beth Bell, Clemson University

Dr. Tena Crews, University of South Carolina*

*Attended by phone

Commission Staff Present

Mr. Mike LeFever
Ms. Laura Belcher
Ms. Lane Goodwin
Dr. John Lane

Ms. Yolanda Myers
Mr. Andrew Roof
Mr. Bryce Wilson
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

1. Welcome & Introductions

Wes Hayes

Chair Hayes convened the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance. It was confirmed that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. Ms. Belcher introduced the guests in attendance.

2. Executive Session for purposes of personnel matters

Wes Hayes

A motion was made by Commission Horne at 2:08 p.m. to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Battle, carried unanimously.

3. Report of the Search Committee for the next President & Executive Director

Charles Dalton

- Consideration of Recommendation

At 2:44 p.m., the Commission resumed its public business. Returning guests were then announced by Ms. Belcher.

After those in attendance were recognized, Commissioner Dalton, chair of the Search Committee, moved as follows:

“In consultation with the Division of State Human Resources and having received input from interested stakeholders, including Commission staff, Commissioners, the higher education community and the public at large, the Search Committee finds all three finalists highly qualified and recommends Dr. Rusty Monhollon to be the next President and Executive Director of the S.C. Commission on Higher Education.”

The motion, which did not require a second, passed unanimously.

4. Other Business

Wes Hayes

Chair Hayes thanked the Search Committee for its hard work and announced that Interim President and Executive Director Mike LeFever would remain in office until July 15th, when Dr. Monhollon will assume his duties. Chair Hayes acknowledged the service of Mr. LeFever and expressed the Commission’s gratitude for his leadership. After which, the meeting attendees gave Mr. LeFever a standing ovation.

At 2:48 p.m., a motion (Satcher) was made and seconded (Battle) to adjourn the meeting.