

Minutes
Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing (CAAL)
February 6, 2020

Members Present

Chair Admiral Charles Munns
Vice Chair Terry Seckinger
Commissioner Julie Godshall Brown
Commissioner Betty Rose Horne
Commissioner Ben Satcher

Staff Present

Dr. Jennifer Almeda
Ms. Laura Belcher
Dr. John Lane
Dr. Rusty Monhollon
Ms. Yolanda Myers
Ms. Julissa Nixon
Ms. Laverne Sanders
Mr. Georges Tippens
Ms. Bunnie Ward
Mr. Bryce Wilson
Dr. Lishu Yin (via teleconference)

Guests

Commissioner James Battle, South Carolina
Commission on Higher Education
Dr. Eric Brown, South Carolina Technical College
System
Dr. John Catalano, University of South Carolina
Palmetto College (via teleconference)
Dr. Fred Carter, Francis Marion University
Dr. James Colbert, Lander University (via
teleconference)
Commissioner Charles Dalton, South Carolina
Commission on Higher Education
Commissioner Linda Dolny, South Carolina
Commission on Higher Education
Mr. Tim Drueke, Winthrop University (via
teleconference)

Chair Wes Hayes, South Carolina Commission
on Higher Education
Ms. Trena Houpp, University of South Carolina
Columbia
Dr. Peter King, Francis Marion University
Dr. Jennifer Kunka, Francis Marion University
Dr. Karin Roof, The Citadel
Dr. Sally Selden, The Citadel
Ms. Allison Steadman, Francis Marion University
Dr. Pamela Walsh, Greenville Technical College
(via teleconference)
Dr. Frances Welch, College of Charleston

Welcome

Chair Munns called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

Introductions and Quorum

Ms. Nixon confirmed a quorum by introducing the Commissioners present, and confirmed the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

1. The Teacher Shortage and Educator Preparation: Advocacy Task Force

Chair Munns introduced the item and Dr. Lane presented on the first task force meeting which took place on January 31, 2020. He described the work of the task force to provide advocacy recommendations for the Commission to support policy development to improve educator recruitment and retention. In addition, he described the task force's composition, including teachers, district personnel directors, educator preparation faculty, and education policy developers. He described the topics discussed, including Senate bill 419, and in response to inquiry, confirmed he would verify an invitation for participation to the Governor's education advisor, Ms. Melanie Barton.

2. Discussion: New Program Proposal Consent Agenda

Chair Munns introduced the item and explained he would like to discuss using Robert's Rules to change the Committee's internal procedures to adopt a consent agenda for unproblematic proposals. He stated a Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing (CAAL) consent agenda would create time and space to discuss proposals about which members have questions, but would also avail more meeting time for policy discussion and development. Chair Munns requested Committee members' feedback on whether CAAL should adopt a consent agenda for proposals. Committee members discussed questions that arise during their review of proposals, including requests for clarification on points they do not understand. Committee members questioned whether a CAAL consent agenda would create additional burden on staff time and resources as well as staff roles in proposal evaluation. Committee members also discussed institutional representatives' need to prepare to attend CAAL meetings in light of a consent agenda. Committee members agreed the published agenda will have proposals for consideration listed and the consent agenda would be agreed upon *in situ* at the February 13, 2020 meeting. Chair Munns stated he will pursue legal advice on a CAAL consent agenda.

3. Discussion: New Program Proposal Appeal Process

Chair Munns introduced the item and provided an overview of the new program proposal appeal process. For context he reported the College of Charleston's Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering proposal will return to the Committee in May 2020. Committee members encouraged College of Charleston and The Citadel to work toward synergy and encouraged College of Charleston to provide the three additional points of data previously requested.

4. Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.