



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Advisory Committee on Academic Programs**  
**March 28, 2024**

**Attendees**

Clemson University: C.C. Bates, Amanda Bennett, Nicole Davis, Rob Essaf, Jeremy King, Ryan Visser

Coastal Carolina University: Teresa Burns, Chad Leverette, Catherine Scott, Erika Small, Claudia Bornholdt, Kyle Holody, Sarah Hottinger, and Bobby Killins

College of Charleston: Mark Del Mastro

Francis Marion University: Will Carswell

Lander University: Lucas McMillan, James Colbert

Medical University of South Carolina: Suzanne Thomas

Piedmont Technical College: Keli Fewox

The Citadel: Sally Selden

University of South Carolina: Trena Houpp, Eva Monsma, Rob Dedmon, Chrsity Stephens, Jed Lyons, Mark Union

University of South Carolina Aiken: Bridget Coleman, Thayer McGahee

University of South Carolina Beaufort: Eric Skipper, Alicia Ribar

University of South Carolina Upstate: Pam Steinke

University of South Carolina, Plametto College: Walter Collins, John Catalano

South Carolina State University: David Stanton

SC Technical College System: Rosline Sumpter

Winthrop University: Steve Dannelly, Tim Dreuke

York Technical College: Jamie Cooper

**Commission Staff Present**

Dr. Jessica Berry

Dr. Argentini Anderson

Dr. Corey Gheesling

Dr. Melissa Price

Ms. Diane McCree

Mrs. Kara Smith

Ms. Leslie Williams

All Attended either In-Person or via Zoom

**1. Welcome**

Dr. Little welcomed everyone to the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**2. Introductions and Quorum**

Ms. Smith announced attendance and established quorum.

**3. Approval of the Minutes**

Dr. Little asked for a vote to approve the November 16, 2023 and February 27, 2024 minutes. **Item passed with no objection.**

#### **4. New Program Proposals**

University of South Carolina Columbia presented three program proposals: BA Sports Media; BS Industrial Engineering; and BS Applied Sport Psychology and Counseling. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposals. Representatives from South Carolina State University and Winthrop University expressed concern with duplication of the BA Sports Media program. There was a motion and second to approve the three programs. Dr. Little asked for a vote on each item individually. **All items passed with two passing unanimously, BA Sports Media and BS Applied Sport Psychology and Counseling; and one item passing with one opposition.**

University of South Carolina Aiken presented one program proposal: Med Educator Leadership: Concentration in Principalship and Supervision. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. There was a motion and second to approve the program. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Coastal Carolina University presented four program proposals: BA Public Relations; Commercial and Investment Real Estate; Cyber Threat Intelligence; and MEd Stem Education. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposals. There was a motion and second to approve the program. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

Lander University presented one program proposal: MS Criminology and Criminal Justice. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. There was a motion and second to approve the program. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Clemson University presented one program proposal: MEd Learning Sciences. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. There was a motion and second to approve the program. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Winthrop University presented two program proposals: BS in Web Development and BA in Criminal Justice with two concentrations: 1) General and 2) Cyber and Corporate Crime. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposals. There was a motion and second to approve the program. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

#### **5. Program Modifications**

Medical University of South Carolina presented two program modifications: Doctor of Physical Therapy Program and Occupational Therapy Doctorate . Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

College of Charleston presented one program modification: Bachelor of Professional Studies. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Clemson University presented one program modification: MS Nursing (Concentrations: Nursing Education; Clinical Nurse Specialist-Adult/Gerontology; Clinical Nurse Specialist-Maternal/Child/Adolescent; Adult/Gerontological Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care; and

Family Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Winthrop University presented one program modification: BS to BA in Integrated Marketing Communication. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

University of South Carolina Columbia presented twelve program modifications: B.A.J.M.C., Mass Communications; B.A. Biomedical Engineering; B.S. Biomedical Engineering; M.I.B. International Business, dual degrees; Master of Retail Innovation; BS Geological Sciences; BSE Chemical Engineering (Concentration); BSE Chemical Engineering (Curriculum); . MA in Counseling and Rehabilitation, with a concentration in Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling; PhD. Nursing Science with Concentrations; MSW with MSW/MPH, MSW/MPA, and MSW/JD Combination; and BS Nursing, Post Master's Certificate, MS Nursing, PhD Nursing. Hearing no questions, Dr. Little asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

University of South Carolina Lancaster presented one program modification: A.A. and A.S. General Liberal Arts and Sciences. Extensive discussion was had by the group regarding the program modification. Representatives expressed concern with duplication and adherence to regional requirements. Dr. Little asked for a roll call vote. **With a vote of 10 to 5, the modification passed.**

**6. Discussion**

Dr. Berry summarized Academic Affairs policies related to program proposal submittals and Scholarship Enhancement Eligibility Review (SEER).

**7. Other Business**

Dr. Brooks provided an update on transfer.

**8. Adjournment**

Dr. Little asked for a motion to adjourn, motion seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.