

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
July 28, 2009**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning held an emergency teleconference meeting on July 28, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. with public attendance available at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi. The following Board members participated in the teleconference: Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christine Pickering, Ms. Robin J. Robinson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Ms. Amy Whitten. Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson and Mr. Scott Ross were absent. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Bettye Neely, Vice President.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this emergency teleconference meeting were recorded by name in a roll-call fashion. The meeting was held to discuss and/or approve three contracts at the University of Mississippi Medical Center that affect patient care and could not wait until the August 19-20, 2009 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Owens, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the three contracts for the University of Mississippi Medical Center shown below as items #1 - #3. Upon further discussion, it was decided that item #2 which is the Golden Hour Data Systems contract should be held until the August 19-20, 2009 Board meeting.

On an amended motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Blakeslee, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Ross absent and not voting, the Board approved items #1 and #3.

1. **UMMC** - Request for approval to enter into a three-year purchasing agreement with Cardinal Health Solutions, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to purchase disposable intravenous therapy supplies. The start date will be upon execution, July 28, 2009, and the contract period will continue through July 27, 2012. As a result of agreeing to minimum quantity purchases of specified products, UMMC is guaranteed an average 35% price reduction. A product pricing schedule is included as part of the agreement. The total cost for the contract period is estimated at \$3 million. The agreement will be funded via patient revenue and has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office.

2. **UMMC** - Request for approval to enter into a revenue management services agreement with Golden Hour Data Systems, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to provide billing and collection services for patients' accounts charged for medical helicopter transportation services. Fees cover the Golden Hour Billing and Information System, including the software license, technical support and maintenance services. In addition, Golden Hour will provide a patient financial services representative to work with UMMC personnel. The agreement period is August 1, 2009 to September 23, 2011. The agreement automatically renews for additional one (1) year terms unless either party provides written notice 90-days prior to the anniversary date of the agreement. The contractor will be paid a commission rate of 6% on collected amounts. Total cost for the agreement period is estimated at \$678,750, which includes an allowance for reimbursement of travel expenses up to \$3,750. The agreement will be funded via patient revenue and has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.)**

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3. **UMMC** - Request for approval to enter into a lease and operating agreement with InSight Health Corporation. The purpose of the agreement is to lease mobile magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) equipment for the Holmes County Hospital and Clinics one day a week. The MRI equipment is housed in a transportable semi-trailer unit. InSight will also provide one or more qualified technologist(s) to be responsible for the operation of the mobile MRI unit subject to supervision by UMMC's designated physician. The Board previously approved a contract with InSight in July 2005 for the same services for a three-year period at \$720,000. In June 2009, the Commissioner approved an extension for one-year plus an additional \$72,000 bringing the total contract cost to \$792,000. The new contract period is August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2012. The fee per scan is \$325 with a total estimated 2,215 MRI procedures over the three-year agreement period. The total cost for the agreement period is not to exceed \$720,000. The agreement will be funded via patient revenue and has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office.

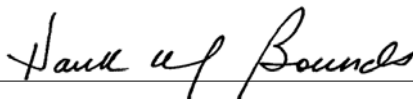
4. **Other Business** - Dr. Hank Bounds, Commissioner of Higher Education, briefed the Board on his upcoming activities.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Ms. Pickering, seconded by Dr. Rouse, with Mr. Blakeslee, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Ross absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn the meeting.



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