

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
May 28, 2010**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi held a teleconference meeting on May 28, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. with public attendance available at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi. The following Board members participated in the teleconference: Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey Patterson, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christine Pickering, Ms. Robin J. Robinson, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Ms. Amy Whitten. Trustee Doug Rouse were absent. The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-1, as amended, all votes taken during this teleconference meeting were recorded by name in a roll-call. The teleconference meeting was held to discuss the institutional transition at the Mississippi University for Women.

On motion by Trustee Whitten, seconded by Trustee Davidson, with Trustees Perry, Robinson and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board voted to add an item to the Executive Session agenda concerning a potential litigation matter at the Board Office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Whitten, seconded by Trustee Patterson, with Trustees Perry, Robinson, and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Whitten, seconded by Trustee Davidson, with Trustees Perry, Robinson, and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a potential litigation matter at the Board Office and
Discussion of a personnel matter at the Mississippi University for Women.

During Executive Session, the following matters were discussed and/or voted upon:

The Board discussed a personnel matter at the Mississippi University for Women.
The Board discussed a potential litigation matter at the Board Office.

On motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Blakeslee, with Trustee Rouse absent and not voting, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

Commissioner Bounds recommended that the Board consider adding an item to the agenda - discussion of the system audits and the proposals for performing the audit. On Motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Whitten, with Trustees Perry and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board approved the addition of this item.

On motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Blakeslee, with Trustees Perry and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board agreed to rescind its prior action that approved the Horne proposal for the performance of the system audit, to throw out all prior proposals that were received regarding the audit, and to allow all proposers to submit their best proposals, including any information on their use of Mississippi auditors

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which will be a Board consideration in selecting a proposal. The proposals will be due by a date to be determined by the Commissioner. Those proposals will then be considered by the Board.

On motion by Trustee Ross, seconded by Trustee Whitten, with Trustees Perry and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board appointed Mrs. Allegra Brigham as the interim president of the Mississippi University for Women as recommended by the Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Trustee Whitten, seconded by Trustee Davidson, with Trustees Perry and Rouse absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn the meeting.

Betty Z. Neely

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Paul W. Bouds

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning