

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
April 19, 2018**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a regular session at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:00 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on November 28, 2017, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this April 19, 2018 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. Tom Duff, Dr. Ford Dye, Mr. Shane Hooper, Ms. Ann H. Lamar, Dr. Alfred E. McNair, Jr., Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christine Pickering, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Dr. J. Walt Starr. The meeting was called to order by C.D. Smith, President. President Smith introduced Pastor Ben Stears of NorthPark Church in Meridian, Mississippi to provide the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

- President Smith welcomed the Student Government Association Officers: Robert Tatum, SGA President-Elect at Alcorn State University; Charlie King, SGA President-Elect at Delta State University; Alexis Moore, SGA President, and La'Curtis Powell, President-Elect, at Jackson State University; Tyler McMurray, SGA President, and Mayah Emerson, President-Elect, at Mississippi State University; Jordan Freeman, SGA Vice President, and Brandon McCall, President-Elect, at Mississippi Valley State University; Elam Miller, SGA President-Elect at the University of Mississippi; Edgar Meyer, SGA President-Elect at the University of Mississippi Medical Center; and Cameron Cloud, SGA President, and McKenna Stone, President-Elect, at the University of Southern Mississippi.
- Trustee Christy Pickering introduced her husband, Brent Pickering.
- Dr. William Bynum, President of Jackson State University, introduced Mr. Warren Johnson, the new Vice President of Enrollment Management.

PRESENTATION

- Senator Hillman Frazier presented Dr. Glenn F. Boyce, Commissioner of Higher Education, with Senate Resolution #622 commending him on the years of service in higher education.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Board meetings held on March 21 and 22, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDAS

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agendas.

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved the following new academic units:

CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

- a. **MSU** – Mississippi Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Research Center. The Mississippi Research Consortium has submitted an Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Track 1 proposal to the National Science Foundation (NSF) to create the Mississippi EPSCoR Research Center. The Center will establish an interdisciplinary multi-institution research program between the four research universities: Jackson State University, Mississippi State University, University of Mississippi and University of Southern Mississippi, directed at critical and contemporary challenges in key focus areas of fundamental science and engineering research and education. The Center will address research challenges as part of the NSF EPSCoR Track 1 program and focus on building capacity and competitiveness in the designated research area. The research within this program is vital for the advancement of diverse technologies, such as sustainable energy, electronics, and biomedicine, critical to enhancing the competitiveness of existing industries and attracting new companies in the Mississippi Science and Technology (S&T) core priority areas of energy, advanced manufacturing, and health. Center workforce development efforts are aligned with the Mississippi S&T goal of growing and retaining a qualified STEM workforce. The Center will establish state-of-the-art research instrumentation for common use across the state; implement coordination and communication mechanisms to support multi-institutional collaborative research; provide interdisciplinary team training and professional development for junior faculty and students; support the hiring of new faculty members with research skills that strategically address critical needs; strengthen partnerships with national laboratories, industry, and tier-one research institutions; drive workforce development efforts aimed at attracting, developing, and retaining top research talent; and implement K-14 outreach efforts in minority-serving institutions to disseminate findings and build the diverse pipeline of next-generation STEM students.
- b. **MSU** – Center for Cyber Education. MSU is proposing to establish the Center for Cyber Education, a partnership with the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), the MSU College of Education, the Bagley College of Engineering, the College of Business, Distributed Analytics and Security Institute (DASI,) and the Center for Cyber Innovation with the single mission of ensuring that all students in Mississippi have quality computer science instruction from elementary through high school. The Research and Curriculum Unit (RCU) has a 50-year history of working with MDE. The Center will continue as the major partner with MDE on the Computer Science for Mississippi (CS4MS) initiative. As an established unit, the Center for Cyber Education will add visibility to the effort and demonstrate MSU’s commitment and leadership for Computer Science and cybersecurity in Mississippi. Housed initially at the RCU, the Center for Cyber Education will assign a

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team to focus 100% of their time on this effort. The team will continue managing the CS4MS pilot and lead the transition from pilot stage to full scale implementation during 2018-19. The RCU has been approved by Code.org® to become the Regional Code.org® Partner. This partnership includes matching funds that will bring both visibility and much needed additional training support toward accomplishing the Center's goals. Once designated, the Center for Cyber Education will act as the Code.org® partner to manage and lead this commitment and opportunity. In September 2017, the RCU was awarded an *NSF CS for All* grant for \$770k. Funding from this grant will also support the activities of the proposed Center for Cyber Education.

- c. **UM** – University of Mississippi Institute for the Arts. The Departments of Art & Art History, English, Music, and Theatre Arts within the College of Liberal Arts, the Ford Center for Performing Arts, and the UM Museum request the creation of this institute. UM is poised to become a leader in Mississippi for training in fine or performing arts and for outreach programs that can transform the lives of young people. This multi-disciplinary institute will capitalize on strengths to further establish UM's identity, reputation, and legacy in the arts. Finally, UM's strategic plan, Flagship Forward, sets the goal of enhancing the visibility and appreciation of the arts in order "to celebrate the critical role that creativity plays in educating society and the process of discovery. Creativity is at the heart of a successful research institution."
- d. **UM** – Center for Biodiversity and Conservation Research (CBCR). Several academic disciplines use a scientific approach to study biological diversity. At UM, scientists span several departments where they study everything from the natural products that may improve the quality of life for humans to the biology of organisms from microbes to sharks. The proposed CBCR will coordinate faculty efforts at student training, leveraging opportunities for funding from private foundations, and responding to requests for interdisciplinary research by granting agencies. Because faculty come from multiple academic units, each with its own unique departmental emphasis, physical location, disparate teaching demands, and administrative architecture, collaboration will be greatly enhanced with the CBCR acting as a point of contact for granting agencies; and, as an information clearinghouse for communicating research and funding opportunities with appropriate subsets of member faculty. Competitiveness for grant funding will be enhanced due to the shared teaching and student training and research efficiency enabled by coordinating activities through the CBCR. The Center will provide the opportunity to discuss, within a cohesive group, ideas that will facilitate collaborations, grant proposals, and joint research publications.
- e. **UMMC** – Mississippi Center for Emergency Services (MCES). The MCES was created to expand Mississippi's ability to maintain medical services during unanticipated events across the state. The MCES will guide planning and response to a variety of hazards that could threaten the campus community, the environment of the hospital or the safety of

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patients, staff, and visitors, or adversely impact the ability of the hospital to provide healthcare services to the community. Emergency operations planning is designed to meet federal, state and local planning requirements, as well as current emergency preparedness standards recommended by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Strategic emergency planning is updated in collaboration with local, city, county, and state emergency management agencies.

- f. **USM – Center for Optoelectronic Materials and Devices.** The Center for Optoelectronic Materials and Devices at USM will lead interdisciplinary research efforts in electronic and photonic materials. Optoelectronics research is vital for the advancement of a variety of applications, such as electronics, biomedical devices, sensing, and sustainable energy, which will provide a key socioeconomic driver for the state of Mississippi. USM has made significant investment in optoelectronic materials research, hiring five new faculty with expertise in this area, and providing start-up funds to support their research. Funding from the Department of Defense, the Department of Energy, and the National Science Foundation has been secured to build state-of-the-art research capabilities at USM and to support research stipends for undergraduate and graduate student researchers. Recently acquired externally funded instrumentation at USM directly impacts and enables the proposed research center. Outreach to Mississippi industry and K-14 schools will be integrated through Center Director Morgan’s NSF Research Experience for Students and Research Experience for Teachers programs and School of Polymer Science and Engineering Industrial Advisory Board. The Center will enable interdisciplinary collaboration among researchers at the four Mississippi research universities. Faculty from Jackson State University, Mississippi State University, and the University of Mississippi will serve as associate members of the Center in the areas of materials synthesis, advanced characterization, and computation. The Center will be supported entirely through external funds. Faculty participants will have academic appointments within their disciplinary units.
- g. **USM – Mississippi Person Centered Practices Institute (PCPI).** The PCPI will be the organizational institute that will house the state wide person-centered practices training approaches that are being offered across the state as part of a Medicaid funded workforce development initiative. The PCPI will promote the use of person centered practices as an evidence-based intervention strategy for personnel working in Medicaid Home and Community-Based Waiver programs. The PCPI will train personnel and staff, including case managers across the state to support older adults, persons with disabilities, and their respective families in developing plans that enable people to live high quality lives in the least restrictive environments within their communities. The PCPI will be a limited scope and outreach institute that exists within the School of Social Work. The PCPI will also provide the state with a center of excellence that will be located on the USM campus. The PCPI will not represent a financial liability to USM at this time or any time in the future.

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The activities that are taking place already are part of a grant funded by the Mississippi Division of Medicaid.

2. **SYSTEM** – Approved the following academic unit modifications:

REORGANIZATION AND RENAME

- a. **DSU** – Reorganize three separate units: Department of Biological Sciences, Department of Chemistry and Physics, and the Department of Mathematics and rename the new Unit the Division of Mathematics and Sciences. The resignation of the department head of Mathematics brought about the opportunity to be able to focus on the need for a consolidated STEM push for DSU and engage K-12 faculty and students in the Delta Region. Consolidating the units will allow for a better method of communication among the faculty and sharing of information regarding collaborative research opportunities and will provide a consolidated unit for recruitment of future STEM majors. Additionally, the proposed modification will provide a net cost savings.

RENAME

- b. **UM** – Rename the Center for Educational Research and Evaluation (CERE) the Center for Research Evaluation (CERE). The Center for Educational Research and Evaluation was created to conduct and evaluate educational research and evaluate other types of research. Over the last 5 years, the Center’s work has shifted away from education and toward general research evaluation. The School of Education is not able to provide the same level of supervision, administrative support, and promotion that the center can enjoy with a more central administrative home. By dropping “Education” from the center name, UM will be able to advertise it to a wider base of potential clients and job applicants. By moving the Center to report to Vice Chancellor for Research and Sponsored Programs, UM can increase its visibility within and beyond the institution, leading to more grants and contracts and a greater impact.
- c. **UM** – Rename the Department of Theatre Arts the Department of Theatre and Film. The new department name will more closely align with the shift in emphasis within the department toward film production. Additionally, students interested in theatre performance will receive training through the newly revised emphasis titled “Acting for Stage and Screen.” Theatre students will be better prepared for a wider variety of jobs in the entertainment industry.

3. **SYSTEM** – Approved the following academic program modifications:

RENAME

- a. **MSU** – Rename the Human Development and Family Studies to Human Development and Family Sciences. The change in the name of the degree from Human Development and Family Studies to Human Development and Family Science emphasizes the scientific character of the discipline, makes the name of the major consistent with a nationwide renaming trend in the discipline, and aligns the name of the graduate major with the new name of the undergraduate major.
- b. **MSU** – Rename the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in College Postsecondary Student Counseling and Personnel Services to Doctor of Philosophy in Counselor Education. The PhD degree in Counselor Education is designed for experienced counseling practitioners wanting to become leaders and trainers of counselors. Candidates learn executive and supervisory skills, theory, ethical decision making and behavior, advanced training in

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- research methodology, evidence-based methods for an increasingly diverse population, and hands-on internship and practicum experiences in applying their own skills. The proposed name change will not warrant curricular changes, additional costs, or additional personnel.
- c. **MUW** – Rename the Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Physical Theatre to Master of Fine Arts in Theatre Education. This will be a low-residency program geared towards current and aspiring drama teachers who want a graduate degree that fits with their teaching schedules. Although the MFA in Physical Theatre has been well enrolled, since the program was offered completely in Italy, the expenses for the program offset any financial benefit to the university. This low-residency will be cost effective and better serve Mississippi students. Courses during the school year will be online and will consist of theatre courses in practical production coupled with courses in dramatic literature and playwriting. Students will attend classes on the campus of MUW during the summer months. This will consist of courses better suited to face-to-face instruction, such as Costuming, Acting and Directing.
 - d. **MUW** – Rename the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration to the Bachelor of Business Administration. The name more accurately reflects the curriculum with its emphasis on a robust business administration core. The modified title also provides students the opportunity to pursue a degree with a title more recognizable by potential employers.
 - e. **MVSU** – Rename the Bachelor of Music Education to Bachelor of Arts in Music Education. There will be no curriculum changes to the new music degree offering. The goals and objectives of the student learning outcomes will not change, and the quality of program will be maintained under its accrediting agency, the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). NASM has approved this change.
 - f. **UM** – Rename the Master of Administration in Recreation Administration to Master of Science in Sport and Recreation Administration. The proposal to change the name of the current graduate degree reflects the mission, vision and direction of the graduate degree and will be congruent with the undergraduate program. The proposed change will provide contemporary graduate level education for students interested in a sport and recreation-related program, assure that the undergraduate and graduate programs are collinear in educational goals, and provide contemporary education that will matriculate marketable professionals.
 - g. **UMMC** – Rename the Medical Pharmacology to Experimental Therapeutics and Pharmacology. The School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences and the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology offer a 4 to 5-year program of study leading to the Doctor of Philosophy degree. The department is well equipped for pharmacology training and research. Each faculty member has generous laboratory space and the specialized equipment necessary for their research. Additionally, there is an abundance of shared, state-of-the-art, departmental equipment and facilities. Application for pre-doctoral funding is promoted as an essential part of the students' training and development. The Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology is strongly committed to graduate research and teaching. As the department is relatively small is that its size, this advantage promotes close scientific interactions between faculty members and students.

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SUSPEND

- h. **JSU** – Suspend the Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology due to low enrollment and failure to meet the standard for productivity.
- i. **JSU** – Suspend the Bachelor of Science in Education in Mathematics Education due to low enrollment and failure to meet the standard for productivity.
- j. **JSU** – Suspend the Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies due to low enrollment and failure to meet the standard for productivity.
- k. **JSU** – Suspend the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science due to insufficient graduation rates.
- l. **JSU** – Suspend the Master of Science in Teaching in Science and Mathematics due to low enrollment and failure to meet the standard for productivity.
- m. **JSU** – Suspend the Master of Science in Environmental Sciences due to low enrollment.
- n. **JSU** – Suspend the Master of Science in Secondary Education due to low enrollment.
- o. **JSU** – Suspend the Education Specialist in Reading due to low enrollment.
- p. **MUW** – Suspend the Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science in General Studies. The program is being replaced by The Bachelor of Professional Studies program.
- q. **MUW** – Suspend the Bachelor of Science in Accounting. Students completing the Bachelor of Business Administration degree will have the option of a concentration in Accounting. The request to suspend is pending approval of renaming the BS in Business Administration to The Bachelor of Business Administration.
- r. **MVSU** – Suspend the Master of Science in Special Education to restructure the program in order eliminate unnecessary curricula redundancies.

DELETE

- s. **MSU** – Delete the BBA Risk Management, Insurance and Financial Planning. The program was modified to form concentrations in Risk Management and Insurance under the BBA Finance major. All students enrolled in the Risk Management, Insurance and Financial Planning major have either graduated, switched to the new concentration, or to another major.
- t. **MUW** – Delete the Bachelor of Arts in Biology. MUW will continue to offer the Bachelor of Science in Biology.
- u. **UMMC** – Delete the Master of Science (MS) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programs in Clinical Health Sciences (CHS). UMMC requested suspension of the programs in 2013. The last cohort successfully completed the degree program at the end of the fall semester, 2017.
- v. **USM** – Delete the Master of Arts in Speech and Hearing Sciences. USM will continue to offer the Master of Science in Speech and Hearing Sciences.
- w. **USM** – Delete the Master of Science in Political Science. USM will continue to offer the Master of Arts in Political Science.

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4. **SYSTEM** – Approved the degrees to be conferred in Spring 2018 provided each candidate has met all requirements for the degree.

Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total	
Alcorn State University					
	<i>Undergraduate</i>				
	Associate of Science in Nursing	16			
	Bachelor of Science	239			
	Bachelor of Arts in Music	2			
	Bachelor of Music	4			
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	32			
	Bachelor of Arts	62			
	Bachelor of Social Work	12			
			367		
	<i>Graduate</i>				
	Educational Specialist	3			
	Master of Science in Applied Science	21			
	Master of Arts in Teaching	6			
	Master of Business Administration	13			
	Master of Science in Agriculture	8			
	Master of Science in Biology	9			
	Master of Science in Biotechnology	3			
	Master of Science in Computer and Information Science	13			
	Master of Science in Elementary Education	1			
	Master of Science in Secondary Education	24			
	Master of Science in Nursing	9			
	Master of Science in Workforce Education Leadership	15			
			125		
				492	
Delta State University					
	<i>College of Arts and Sciences</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	11			
	Bachelor of Fine Arts	11			
	Bachelor of Music	1			
	Bachelor of Music Education	4			
	Bachelor of Science	54			
	Bachelor of Science in Education	5			
	Bachelor of Science in Social Justice and Criminology	6			
	Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies	1			
	Bachelor of Social Work	23			
			116		
	<i>College of Business</i>				
	Bachelor of Business Administration	55			
	Bachelor of Commercial Aviation	8			

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			63		
	<i>College of Education</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	15			
	Bachelor of Science	43			
	Bachelor of Science in Education	17			
			75		
	<i>School of Nursing</i>				
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	25			
			25		
	<i>School of Graduate Studies</i>				
	Master of Business Administration	22			
	Master of Commercial Aviation	7			
	Master of Education	19			
	Master of Arts in Teaching	1			
	Master of Arts in Liberal Studies	1			
	Master of Professional Accountancy	3			
	Master of Science in Social Justice and Criminology	9			
	Master of Science in Sport and Human Performance	17			
	Master of Science in Community Development	7			
	Master of Science in Nursing	9			
	Education Specialist	20			
	Doctor of Education	3			
	Doctor of Nursing Practice	3			
			121		
				350	
Jackson State University					
	<i>Undergraduate</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	46			
	Bachelor of Business Administration	69			
	Bachelor of Music	2			
	Bachelor of Music Education	3			
	Bachelor of Science	375			
	Bachelor of Science Education	10			
	Bachelor of Social Work	42			
			547		
	<i>Graduate</i>				
	Doctor of Education	2			
	Doctor of Philosophy	26			
	Doctor of Public Health	3			
	Specialist in Education	18			
	Master of Arts	10			

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Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total	
	Master of Arts in Teaching	8			
	Master of Business Administration	6			
	Master of Music Education	1			
	Master of Professional Accountancy	3			
	Master of Public Health	8			
	Master of Public Policy and Administration	7			
	Master of Science	54			
	Master of Science in Education	31			
	Master of Science in Teaching	1			
	Master of Social Work	52			
			230		
				777	
Mississippi State University					
	<i>College of Agriculture and Life Sciences</i>				
	Bachelor of Landscape Architecture	12			
	Bachelor of Science	273			
	Master of Agribusiness Management	1			
	Master of Science	30			
	Doctor of Philosophy	17			
			333		
	<i>College of Architecture, Art, and Design</i>				
	Bachelor of Architecture	22			
	Bachelor of Fine Arts	32			
	Bachelor of Science	40			
			94		
	<i>College of Arts and Sciences</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	327			
	Bachelor of Science	401			
	Bachelor of Social Work	31			
	Master of Arts	17			
	Master of Public Policy and Administration	13			
	Master of Science	34			
	Doctor of Philosophy	6			
			829		
	<i>College of Business</i>				
	Bachelor of Business Administration	358			
	Master of Business Administration	56			
	Master of Science Information Systems	4			
	Doctor of Philosophy	1			
			419		
	<i>College of Education</i>				
	Bachelor of Science	390			

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		Bachelor of Music Education	2		
		Master of Arts in Teaching	3		
		Master of Arts in Teaching Middle	5		
		Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary	10		
		Master of Arts in Teaching Special	1		
		Master of Science	63		
		Master of Science Instructional Technology	3		
		Educational Specialist	5		
		Doctor of Philosophy	10		
				492	
	<i>College of Engineering</i>				
		Bachelor of Science	470		
		Master of Science	54		
		Master of Engineering	4		
		Doctor of Philosophy	19		
				547	
	<i>College of Forest Resources</i>				
		Bachelor of Science	44		
		Master of Science	13		
		Doctor of Philosophy	4		
				61	
	<i>College of Veterinary Medicine</i>				
		Bachelor of Science	25		
		Master of Science	5		
		Doctor of Philosophy	3		
		Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	82		
				115	
	<i>School of Accountancy</i>				
		Bachelor of Accountancy	87		
		Master of Professional Accountancy	25		
		Master of Taxation	5		
				117	
					3054
Mississippi University for Women					
	<i>Undergraduate</i>				
		Associate of Science in Nursing	52		
		Bachelor of Art	32		
		Bachelor of Fine Art	10		
		Bachelor of Applied Science	20		
		Bachelor of Music	4		
		Bachelor of Science	163		
		Bachelor of Science in Nursing	75		

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			355		
	<i>Graduate</i>				
	Master of Art	1			
	Master of Business Administration	2			
	Master of Education	5			
	Master of Fine Art	12			
	Master of Public Health	3			
	Master of Science	13			
	Doctor of Nursing Practice	5			
			41		
				397	
Mississippi Valley State University					
	<i>Undergraduate</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	51			
	Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication	14			
	Bachelor of Music	2			
	Bachelor of Secondary Education	6			
	Bachelor of Science	201			
	Bachelor of Social Work	24			
	<i>Graduate</i>		298		
	Master of Science	35			
	Master of Arts	7			
	Master of Arts in Teaching	6			
	Master of Social Work	32			
	Master of Business Administration	21			
			101		
				399	
University of Mississippi					
	<i>College of Liberal Arts</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	543			
	Bachelor of Science	71			
	Bachelor of Fine Arts	8			
	Bachelor of Music	11			
			634		
	<i>School of Engineering</i>				
	Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering	26			
	Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering	28			
	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	22			
	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering	21			
	Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	57			
	Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering	30			

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	Bachelor of Engineering	13			
	Bachelor of Science in Geology	7			
			204		
<i>School of Education</i>					
	Bachelor of Arts in Education	199			
			199		
<i>School of Pharmacy</i>					
	Doctor of Pharmacy	101			
			101		
<i>School of Business</i>					
	Bachelor of Business Administration	537			
			537		
<i>School of Accountancy</i>					
	Bachelor of Accountancy	175			
			175		
<i>School of Applied Sciences</i>					
	Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice	119			
	Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science	139			
	Bachelor of Science	182			
	Bachelor of Social Work	30			
	Bachelor of Arts in Parks and Recreation Administration	9			
	Bachelor of Paralegal Studies	12			
			482		
<i>School of Journalism and New Media</i>					
	Bachelor of Arts in Journalism	55			
	Bachelor of Science (IMC)	159			
			214		
<i>General Studies</i>					
	Bachelor of General Studies	131			
			131		
<i>Graduate School</i>					
	Master of Arts	127			
	Master of Criminal Justice	11			
	Master of Science	81			
	Master of Science in Exercise Science	6			
	Master of Fine Arts	10			
	Master of Accountancy	37			
	Master of Business Administration	29			
	Master of Taxation	8			
	Master of Education	39			
	Master of Music	8			
	Specialist in Education	5			

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	Doctor of Education	31			
	Doctor of Philosophy	78			
			477		
	<i>Law School</i>				
	Juris Doctor	119			
	Master of Laws	1			
			120		
				3283	
University of Mississippi Medical Center					
	<i>Undergraduate</i>				
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	143			
	Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene	18			
	Bachelor of Science in Health Informatics and Information Management	13			
	Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences	21			
	Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science	14			
	Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences	47			
			256		
	<i>Graduate/Professional</i>				
	Master of Science	61			
	Master of Occupational Therapy	38			
	Master of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology	6			
	Master of Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging	6			
	Master of Science in Nursing	78			
	Master of Health Science	15			
	Master of Health Informatics and Information Mgmt.	1			
	Doctor of Medicine	139			
	Doctor of Dental Medicine	34			
	Doctor of Philosophy	12			
	Doctor of Nursing Practice	12			
	Doctor of Physical Therapy	49			
	Doctor of Health Administration	13			
			464		
				720	
University of Southern Mississippi					
	<i>College of Arts and Letters</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	145			
	Bachelor of Fine Arts	37			
	Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies	8			
	Bachelor of Liberal Studies	55			
	Bachelor of Music	10			
	Bachelor of Music Education	11			
	Bachelor of Science	25			
	Master of Arts	13			
	Master of the Arts in Teaching of Language	10			

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	Master of Fine Arts	5			
	Master of Music	16			
	Master of Science	5			
	Doctor of Musical Arts	12			
	Doctor of Philosophy	23			
			376		
	<i>College of Business</i>				
	Bachelor of Science	17			
	Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	250			
	Master of Business Administration	15			
	Master of Professional Accountancy	13			
	Master of Science	18			
			313		
	<i>College of Education and Psychology</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	8			
	Bachelor of Science	212			
	Master of Arts	7			
	Master of Arts in Teaching	1			
	Master of Education	31			
	Master of Library and Information Science	21			
	Master of Science	17			
	Specialist in Education	1			
	Doctor of Philosophy	18			
			316		
	<i>College of Health</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	29			
	Bachelor of Science	123			
	Bachelor of Social Work	39			
	Master of Public Health	18			
	Master of Science	40			
	Master of Social Work	85			
	Doctor of Audiology	4			
			338		
	<i>College of Nursing</i>				
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	104			
	Master of Science in Nursing	41			
	Doctor of Nursing Practice	4			
	Doctor of Philosophy	2			
			151		
	<i>College of Science and Technology</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	252			
	Bachelor of Science	32			

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Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total	
	Doctor of Philosophy	29			
			360		
				1854	
System Total					
					11,326*

*The System total for Spring 2018 represents an increase of 641 graduates from Spring 2017. Spring 2017=10,685

FINANCE

5. **IHL Executive Office** – Approved the request to enter into the Regional Contract Program (RCP) with Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to reserve seats at out-of-state schools of Optometry and to prepay for the services in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. Reserving the seats ensures opportunities for Mississippi students without the necessity of creating a new program in Mississippi. We currently reserve seven (7) seats for Mississippi students at Southern College of Optometry and two (2) seats at the University of Alabama, Birmingham. SREB will contract with the accredited institutions, Southern College of Optometry and University of Alabama at Birmingham, to reserve slots for student applicants certified as bona fide residents from Mississippi in Optometry for Academic Year 2018-19 and the contract will renew automatically for five additional one-year terms. Adjustments to the basic contract will be made annually during the five-year period through an amendment. IHL will pay a contracted rate for each seat that is filled by a Mississippi student, which represents a negotiated reduced tuition rate. The student must apply through SFA and meet state residency requirements, and the student must also be fully admitted by the school before being offered a seat. This is a forgivable student loan and the student will sign a Master Contract with the state before any money is disbursed on behalf of the student. This agreement shall be effective from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and shall renew automatically each year for five additional one (1) year terms, unless either party gives the other at least nine months’ prior written notice of its intention to terminate the agreement at the end of the then-current term. The approved contract fees for AY2018-19 and AY2019-20 are \$19,200 per slot for Optometry, which is an estimated total of \$691,200 per academic year. Funds are available from general funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
6. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter into a new contract with Everbridge, Inc. to provide emergency notification software (ENS), services, and maintenance and to prepay invoices as needed in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. This new software system is needed, as the current ENS, MIR3/Onsolve, does not provide the necessary features and requirements for informing the university community of dangers. The contract term is for five years with an option to renew for an additional five-year term. The Board approved expenditures up to \$955,000.00 to match the amount approved by MDITS. Funds are available from MSU general funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

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7. **MSU** – Approved the third amendment to the agreement between the MSU Office of Nutrition Education (ONE) and Frontier Strategies, LLC, for the purposes of making an increase cost change to the contract production and placement budgets. Addendum #3 will increase the Production Services plan by \$953,000 to fund production of (1) an additional television and radio advertisement focusing on physical activity, (2) 20 additional how-to/instructional web videos focused on key campaign messages and (3) additional signage and printed materials to reinforce the media messages. The Placement Plan increase of \$487,500 will provide funds for the TV and radio advertising placement and an additional two and a half months of online media advertising. The term for amendment number 3 is October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. The agreement may be renewed for a period of one (1) year upon agreement of both parties in writing, not to exceed a total agreement life of five (5) years. The total contract amount is currently \$1,750,000. The proposed increase with amendment number 3 is \$1,440,500. Payments will be issued on a weekly basis upon receipt of invoices from Frontier Strategies, based upon actual services rendered. Total for the Production Plan is: \$1,603,000. The total for the Media Placement Plan is: \$1,587,500. The total for the contract is \$3,190,500. The contract and addenda are funded by a subgrant between the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) and MSU and the ONE. The funding source for the subgrant is the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The funding for this agreement was approved by the USDA on September 29, 2017 and the subgrant between MSU and MDHS was signed on October 4, 2017. This funding is approved and awarded on a year-to-year basis from October 1 through September 30; therefore, MSU is unable to enter into a long-term contract. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
8. **MVSU** – Approved the request to enter into an agreement with ThyssenKrupp Elevator Corporation for elevator maintenance services and to prepay the annual fee for each year of service in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. The term of the agreement is five (5) years, May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2023. The total estimated annual cost of the agreement, with a 3 % discount for the annual price, is \$55,477.18 resulting in a total estimated cost of \$277,385.90. Charges for the services will be billed yearly prior to the performance of the work. The agreement will be funded by E&G funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
9. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into a Letter Agreement with Cisco Systems, Inc. (Cisco) for the purchase of hardware and associated software to form a unified communications system at UMMC. The unified system will integrate voice, video, voicemail, and chat functionalities into one (1) consolidated platform. The term of this agreement is three (3) years, beginning upon execution of the Letter Agreement, which is estimated to be on or about April 1, 2018. The estimated cost of the agreement is \$2,980,234.52 for the hardware and associated software. This agreement will be funded by general funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
10. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into the Fourth Amendment with Clinical Drug Information, LLC (CDI) (successor-in-interest to Wolters Kluwer Health, Inc.) to the Standard License Agreement for the Medi-Span drug databases. The Fourth Amendment will extend the current license term for one (1) year, add the Drug Therapy Monitoring System V2.2 to the licensed product list, and add the Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH) as an affiliated location to

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enable MSDH access to the licensed content. The addition of the affiliated location for MSDH is part of the Epic Community Connect (ECC) project. The term of the Fourth Amendment is one (1) year, beginning June 1, 2018 and ending May 31, 2019. The total term of the amended agreement is seven (7) years, from June 1, 2012, through May 31, 2019. The estimated cost of the Fourth Amendment is \$105,872.00. The total estimated cost of the amended agreement is \$617,162.00. This agreement will be funded through hospital patient revenue for licenses utilized by UMMC, but for licenses for Epic Community Connect clients, the cost will be reimbursed to UMMC by the client. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

11. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into an agreement with Compass Clinical Consulting Co. for an Interim Director of Perioperative Services while UMMC's permanent Director is on deployment with the United States Army. The term of the agreement is approximately eight (8) months – April 30, 2018 through December 21, 2018. The total estimated cost over the eight (8) month term is \$298,500.00. The rate for the interim Perioperative Director is \$1,500 per day, five (5) days per week, excluding UMMC holidays. In addition, travel and housing expenses will be billed at a flat rate of \$1,500 per week during periods of performance. The agreement will be funded by patient revenues. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
12. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into a Lease Agreement with Jackson Medical Mall Foundation (JMMF) for approximately 2,930 square feet of space located at the Jackson Medical Mall, 350 West Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS, for the *All of Us* Research Program, a national research study by the National Institutes of Health. The Board also approved the request to prepay rent on the first day of each month in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. This lease will allow UMMC to participate in research for the *All of Us* Research Program, an effort funded by the NIH, to gather data from more than 1 million people living in the United States, with the ultimate goal of accelerating research and improving health. The term of the Lease Agreement is five (5) years. The commencement date of the Lease Agreement will be at the time the NIH funding has been approved. UMMC and JMMF will memorialize the commencement date once determined, and UMMC will update the Board Staff accordingly. The total cost over the five (5) year term of the Lease Agreement is estimated to be \$250,666.83. Prior to July 1, 2018, the initial rent is \$16.17 per square foot. Each July 1, the rent is subject to an increase equal to the lesser of two percent (2%) or the percentage change in the U.S. Consumer Price Index. For the total estimated cost herein, UMMC has included the maximum two percent (2%) annual increase above the initial rent. The agreement will be funded by grant funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
13. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into a Laboratory Services Agreement with Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings (LabCorp) for the provision of outside reference laboratory services at discounted pricing. Under the Agreement, LabCorp performs histocompatibility testing for UMMC's Bone Marrow Transplant program and provides storage of samples. The contract is for five (5) years, beginning May 1, 2018, and ending April 30, 2023. The total estimated cost of the agreement over five (5) years is \$1,253,328.82, based upon UMMC's historical testing needs. UMMC has calculated an annual increase of five percent (5%) for potential patient and testing volume growth. The Agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. The agreement, which

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was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

14. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into an agreement with Medtronic USA, Inc. for the purchase of one (1) O-Arm® System, including equipment and software. The O-Arm system is a 2D and 3D mobile imaging system that provides multidimensional intraoperative imaging and improves the surgeon's precision during complex neurosurgical and otolaryngologic procedures. The term of the agreement is for one (1) year from the date of delivery of the system, approximately April 27, 2018 through April 26, 2019. The total contract cost is \$582,324.50, for one (1) O-Arm® System, including equipment, software, installation, training, and support. The agreement will be funded by patient revenues. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
15. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into an agreement with Medtronic USA, Inc. for the purchase of neuromodulation implant products that are used in association with the Medtronic O-Arm® System. The implant products are required to perform deep brain stimulation procedures, which are used to treat various disorders, such as essential tremor, Parkinson's disease and dystonia, and more recently, obsessive-compulsive disorder. The term of the agreement is for five (5) years, May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2023. The total estimated contract cost is \$4,618,578.24. UMMC has calculated a ten percent (10%) increase into the annual cost in anticipation of an increase in patient volume. The agreement will be funded by patient revenues. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
16. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into a Lease Agreement (Lease) with Meridian Airport Authority (MAA) for space at its Key Field Airport, including a hangar to house a medical helicopter and adjacent site for placement of a modular trailer for use as offices and a place for overnight stays for the helicopter personnel. Under the Lease, UMMC will purchase fuel from MAA for its medical helicopter. The Board also approved the request to prepay rent on the first day of each month in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. East Central Mississippi is one (1) of four (4) helicopter bases strategically located across the State, which locates aircraft closer to patients needing critical care transport, thereby decreasing the amount of time before the patient can receive medical treatment on site at UMMC. Key Field Airport is the only public airport in Meridian and the only seller of helicopter fuel. The term of the Lease is five (5) years from May 1, 2018, through April 30, 2023. The total estimated cost of the Lease is \$715,401.00. The fixed monthly rental fee is \$2,143 per month for a total of \$128,580 for the five (5) year term. The cost of fuel purchased from MAA will vary based on MAA's cost of fuel and UMMC's usage of the helicopter. Under the Lease, UMMC may purchase helicopter fuel at MAA's cost of fuel plus twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per gallon. The estimated cost of fuel for the term of the Lease is \$586,821, which includes a ten percent (10%) annual increase for fuel market fluctuations and UMMC's actual fuel usage. The Lease will be funded by hospital patient revenue. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
17. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter into a Statement of Work (SOW) with MoreDirect, Inc. d/b/a Connection for Carousel Industries of North America, Inc. (Carousel) to provide implementation services of a unified communications system. This unified system will integrate voice, video calling/conferencing, contact center, voice messaging, and chat functionalities into one (1) consolidated platform. The term of the SOW is four (4) years, beginning May 1, 2018,

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and ending April 30, 2022. The Master Service Agreement was effective October 16, 2017 and continues for a total term of five (5) years, including all renewals. The estimated cost of the SOW is \$2,259,392.92. A breakdown of the estimated cost is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*. The agreement will be funded by general funds. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

18. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend its Statement of Work (SOW) for the Sg2 MarketEdge Services (First Amendment) with SF-2, LLC (Sg2) to purchase Care Grouper, an additional software application. The Care Grouper application is designed for easier and more robust grouping of UMMC service line data for aggregation, analysis, and reporting purposes. The Board also approved the request to prepay the annual service fee each year in accordance with Board Policy 707.03, Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. The term of the agreement remains three (3) years beginning on November 1, 2017, ending October 31, 2020. The First Amendment will begin upon execution, which is expected to be on or about April 1, 2018, and will expire on October 31, 2020. The total cost of the First Amendment is \$61,818.00. The total cost of the amended agreement is \$986,818. This agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

19. **UMMC** – Approved the request to engage the following CPA firms to conduct the annual audit for fiscal year 2018 in accordance with Board Policy 301.0806 University Foundation/Affiliated Entity Activities Subsection D General Requirements of Affiliation Agreements.

UMMC Affiliated Entity	CPA Firm
University of Mississippi Medical Center Research and Development Foundation	Harper, Rains, Knight & Company, P.A.
Friends of Children’s Hospital, Inc.	BKD, LLP

20. **USM** – Approved the request to enter into a contract with Air Planning, LLC for air charter service for the University’s football team during its 2018 season. Air Planning, LLC will arrange for the University’s air charters with Allegiant Airlines for four away games this fall. The Board also approved the request to make payment in advance in accordance with the terms of the agreement pursuant to IHL Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. The term of this agreement will commence upon execution by both parties after approval by the IHL Board. The term will conclude at the end of the last scheduled flight on November 24, 2018. For this service, the University will pay Air Planning, LLC the sum of \$366,251 plus any fuel surcharges that result from market fuel prices. The fuel surcharges are currently estimated at \$10,000 for a total contract amount of \$376,251. The fuel base for flights operated under this agreement is \$3.00 per gallon. The agreement will be funded with Auxiliary Funds from the University’s Department of Athletics. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office prior to the Board’s approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

21. **USM** – Approved the request to modify the total expenditure amount applicable to the Reimbursable Space Act Agreement between The National Aeronautics and Space Administration Stennis Space Center (NASA) and the Board of Trustees of Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning for the Center of Higher Learning and Related University Activities (IHL). This Agreement will be effective upon the date of the latest party's signature and will expire five years from said date or until the completion of all obligations of the parties, whichever comes first. The

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total estimated cost of the original agreements was \$3,575,875 based on historical cost for the last five years of the agreement. This modification will increase the total estimated cost to \$3,648,000. State of Mississippi Appropriations for Center of Higher Learning, Education and General funds for the Department of Marine Sciences. As the Board is being asked to provide approval to modify the total expenditure amount of the agreement, no additional approval by the Attorney General's Office is required.

REAL ESTATE

22. **UMMC** – Approved the initiation of **IHL 209-566, Day Surgery and Patient Care Units Expansion**, and the appointment of ESA Architects as the design professional. This project will expand the existing day surgery suite and will provide design for the build-out of the shelled floors in the existing Critical Care Hospital and Adult Hospital. The future build-out will provide expansion of ICU, Psychiatric and Med/Surgery facilities. The proposed project budget is \$11 million. Funds are available from UMMC SSA [Shared Services Account] – Building Improvements (\$11,000,000).
23. **MSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for **IHL 205-284, Catalpa and Sand Creek Wastewater Lift Stations Improvements**, from \$365,000 to \$2.5 million, an increase of \$2,135,000. This is the first budget escalation request made for this project by the university. The increase reflects actual costs now that the pre-planning phase is complete. This project will provide design and construction for the upgrade of the wastewater lift stations located on the North and South Farms on the MSU campus. Funds are available from MSU Resources and Wastewater Connection Fees (\$2,500,000).
24. **MSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for **IHL 205-285A, MSU Chilled Water Loop Upgrade**, from \$4 million to \$5 million, an increase of \$1 million. The project funding source will not change. This is the first budget escalation request made for this phase of the project by the university. The project will include the installation of 20” diameter supply and return lines across the midpoint of the existing central water loop. The new installation will cross the existing drill field and connect to the existing central plant. Funds are available from MSU Operation and Maintenance Recovery Funds (\$5 million).
25. **UMMC** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for **IHL 209-561, Campus HVAC Upgrades FY18**, from \$2,750,000 to \$5,577,000, for an increase of \$2,827,000. This is the first budget escalation request made for this project by the university. The project will replace the air handler serving the existing main operating rooms. The proposed project budget is UMMC SSA [Shared Services Account] – Building Improvements (\$5,577,000).
26. **MSU** – Approved the request to grant an access easement to EDR College View MS, LLC for pedestrian and vehicular ingress and egress to the College View development for the life of the ground lease. The Board approved the ground lease for this project in February of 2018. The ground lease allows for the development by EDR, in part, of a mixed use collegiate housing project to be located upon the leased property. The property description is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*. The ingress and egress rights granted may be used non-exclusively by EDR and its contractors, agents, employees, affiliations, directors, tenants, subtenants, sublessees, and invitees. Only passenger vehicles and light trucks and pedestrian traffic may use the easement area, with the sole exception that EDR shall be allowed to use the easement area for heavy truck traffic as necessary for developing the leased property and/or delivering items to the leased property in the ordinary course of business. MSU or a governmental authority shall be responsible

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for maintaining the easement area. If, in the process of developing the leased property, EDR and/or contractors, agents, employees, and/or invitees causes any damage to the easement area, MSU, may, in its sole discretion, require EDR to restore, at EDR's sole cost and expense, the easement area to its condition as existed on the date the easement agreement is signed. The easement shall run for the term of the ground lease or until the earlier termination of the ground lease by either party in accordance with the terms thereof. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed and approved this item.

27. **UM** – Approved the request to name the newly constructed indoor six-court tennis facility on the UM campus as the “William F. Galtney Indoor Tennis Center.” The Galtney family has made significant contributions to the Forward Together campaign, the Ole Miss Athletics current capital campaign. Mr. Galtney is an alum and was inducted into the Ole Miss Alumni Hall of Fame in 2007. The Galtneys, as members of the Ole Miss Athletics Foundation's Vaught Society, are continuously supportive of Ole Miss Athletics programs and the University of Mississippi in its entirety.
28. **UMMC** – Approved the request to Sole Source the HVAC Controls portion of the **IHL 209-559, School of Population Health** project. It is in the university's best interest to extend the existing Johnson Controls System as a sole source to insure the operational integrity of the existing building system. The estimated value of the existing Johnson Controls EMCS is approximately \$950,000. The probable cost of the project EMCS modifications is \$120,000 for a 12.6% modification. According to IHL and Bureau of Building EMCS procurement protocol for existing systems, the EMCS can and should be procured by single source procurement since the portion of the work related to the new renovation is less than 25% of the existing system as long as approval is obtained prior to bidding. The estimated project budget is \$5 million. Funds are available from UMMC SSA [Shared Services Account] – Building Improvement Funds (\$5,000,000).
29. **USM** – Approved the request to grant a temporary construction easement to the City of Hattiesburg, MS for the North 38th Avenue sidewalk project in the City of Hattiesburg, Forrest County, MS. The easement will allow the City of Hattiesburg to construct a sidewalk along North 38th Avenue which borders university property. The easement affects a parcel of land containing approximately 0.004 acres (176 square feet) located in Lots 7 and 8, Block 24 of the Pine Crest Second Survey to the City of Hattiesburg, Forrest County, MS. The Grantee, the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, is given the right to do whatever may be necessary and proper for the enjoyment of the rights herein granted, including the right of ingress and egress and the right to clear said right-of-way above described of such trees and shrubs as may be necessary for the full enjoyment of the rights herein granted. The Grantee shall be responsible for any damage to Grantor's property or that of third party's resulting from the exercise of any of the rights granted in the easement. Grantee shall promptly repair and restore to its original condition any of Grantor's property that may be altered, damaged, or destroyed in connection with the easement. This temporary construction easement will revert back to the Grantor upon completion of construction. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed and approved this item.
30. **USM** – Contingent upon approval by the Attorney General's Office and the Secretary of State and Governor's approvals, the Board approved the request to grant two (2) permanent right-of-way easements to the City of Hattiesburg, MS for the North 38th Avenue sidewalk project in the City of Hattiesburg, Forrest County, Mississippi. The permanent right-of-way easement will allow the City of Hattiesburg to construct and maintain the sidewalks and lighting along North 38th Avenue which borders university property. The easement will give a permanent right-of-way over, across,

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and upon a parcel of real property. A description of the property is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*. The Grantee, the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, is given the right to do whatever may be necessary and proper for the enjoyment of the rights herein granted, including the right of ingress and egress and the right to clear said right-of-way above described of such trees and shrubs as may be necessary for the full enjoyment of the rights herein granted. The Grantee will restore any damage to the Easement Area or Grantor's adjacent property caused by this action or Grantee's use of the Easement Area. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed and approved this item contingent upon the Secretary of State's and Governor's approval of the same.

LEGAL

31. **JSU** – Approved the request to enter into a contract with Butler Snow, LLP to provide legal services necessary in the practice area of intellectual property and commercial matters at an hourly rate of \$295 for attorneys and \$95 for paralegal services. The term of the contract will be one year from the date of approval and execution. The maximum amount payable under the contract will be \$50,000.00. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
32. **MSU** – Approved the request to modify a contract with Brown & Langston, PLLC, formerly Julie W. Brown, to provide legal services necessary in assisting the University with real estate matters. This Modification #6 will extend the terms of the contract for one (1) year or through May 16, 2019. The original rate of \$165 per hour remains unchanged with a maximum amount payable during the extension period not to exceed \$10,000. All other provisions of the Agreement for Legal Services dated May 17, 2012 shall remain in effect. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
33. **MUW** – Approved the request to extend the terms of its existing affiliation agreement with the MUW Alumni Association for an additional six (6) months, or until June 30, 2018, while modifications to that agreement are being negotiated.
34. **UM** – Approved the request to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Oxford and County of Lafayette to prepare and formulate a comprehensive traffic plan. The University's share of the cost will be \$83,333.33 paid in one payment during fiscal year 2018. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
35. **USM** – Approved the request to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Hattiesburg, MS and for the university to pay annual fees in the amount of \$121,000 to the City in advance for bus services, in accordance with IHL Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment of Goods or Services. This Agreement would add an additional fixed bus route in the vicinity of the USM campus, largely circulating within the USM campus, and shall provide such services in a manner consistent with the City's system at large. The City will operate two (2) buses along said route in a reasonable effort to provide frequency in twenty minutes or less during the normal operating hours of the system. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

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PERSONNEL REPORT

36. **EMPLOYMENT**

Mississippi State University

Allen Parrish; *hired with tenure*; Associate Vice President for Research Development and Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; salary \$225,000.00 per annum, pro rata; Designated Funds; 12-month contract; effective May 1, 2018

37. **CHANGE OF STATUS**

Mississippi University for Women

Tammie McCoy; *from* Chair of Baccalaureate Nursing and Professor; salary of \$103,375 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* Dean and Professor, College of Nursing and Health Sciences; salary of \$130,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1, 2018

38. **SABBATICAL**

Jackson State University

Dal Didia; Professor, College of Business; *from* salary of \$102,000 per annum, pro rata; 9 month contract; E&G funds; *to* salary of \$51,000 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 9, 2018 through May 5, 2019; professional development

University of Mississippi

Corrections

Approved February 15, 2018: Marc Lerner; Associate Professor of History; *from* salary \$72,401 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9 month contract; *to* salary \$36,201 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 22, 2019 to May 11, 2019, and August 17, 2019 (or beginning of contract date) to December 31, 2019; professional development.

CORRECTED: Dr. Lerner is declining his sabbatical application for January 22, 2019 to May 11, 2019, and August 17, 2019 (or beginning of contract date) to December 31, 2019.

Approved February 15, 2018: Jesse Cromwell; Assistant Professor of Colonial Latin American History; *from* salary \$58,048 per annum, pro rata; 9 month contract; E&G Funds; *to* salary \$29,024 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 17, 2018 to December 31, 2018; professional development.

CORRECTED: Jesse Cromwell; Assistant Professor of Colonial Latin American History; *from* salary \$58,048 per annum, pro rata; 9 month contract; E&G Funds; *to* salary \$29,024 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 17, 2018 to May 11, 2019; professional development

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39. **TENURE**

Mississippi State University

- Frank Adams; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Marketing, Quantitative Analysis and Business Law; effective August 16, 2018
- Kenneth V. Anthony; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education; effective August 16, 2018
- Silvia Arroyo; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Classical & Modern Languages and Literature; effective August 16, 2018
- Raymond Barranco; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Sociology; effective August 16, 2018
- Wes Baumgartner; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Pathobiology and Population Medicine; effective July 1, 2018
- Ganesh C. Bora; Associate Professor; Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Michael Breazeale; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Marketing, Quantitative Analysis and Business Law; effective August 16, 2018
- J. Ryan Butler; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Clinical Sciences; effective July 1, 2018
- Joshua Daspit; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Management and Information Systems; effective August 16, 2018
- Brian Davisson; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literature; effective August 16, 2018
- Lori Elmore-Staton; *promotion to* Associate Professor; School of Human Sciences; effective August 16, 2018
- Mark E. Fincher; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Educational Leadership – Meridian Campus; effective August 16, 2018
- Charles E. Freeman, Jr.; *promotion to* Associate Professor; School of Human Sciences; effective August 16, 2018
- Veera Gude; Associate Professor; Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- James E. Henderson; Professor; Department of Forestry; effective July 1, 2018
- Masoud Karimi-Ghartemani; Associate Professor; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Anthony B. Kirkland; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Music; effective August 16, 2018
- Natraj Krishnan; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Entomology and Plant Pathology; effective July 1, 2018
- Santanu Kundu; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Swalm School of Chemical Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Shengfa Liao; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Animal and Dairy Sciences; effective August 16, 2018

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- Yucheng Liu; Associate Professor; Department of Mechanical Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Bethany R. McKissick; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education; effective August 16, 2018
- Derek Marshall; *promotion to* Associate Professor; General Library; effective July 1, 2018
- Hugh Medal; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Qingmin Meng; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Geosciences; effective August 16, 2018
- Lyndsey Miller; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Program of Interior Design; effective August 16, 2018
- Terezie T. Mosby; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Food Science, Nutrition and Health Promotion; effective August 16, 2018
- Michael Nadorff; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Psychology; effective August 16, 2018
- Sandra Orozco-Aleman; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Finance and Economics; effective August 16, 2018
- Jane A. Parish; Professor; Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences; effective July 1, 2018
- Julie C. Parker; *promotion to* Associate Professor; School of Human Sciences; effective August 16, 2018
- Allen Parrish; Associate Vice President for Research and Development and Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; effective May 1, 2018
- Sol Pelaez; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literature; effective August 16, 2018
- J. Suzanne Powney; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Art; effective August 16, 2018
- Ryan M. Ross; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Music; effective August 16, 2018
- Scott A. Rush; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Aquaculture; effective July 1, 2018
- Adrian Sescu; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Aerospace Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Karim Simpure; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literature; effective August 16, 2018
- Andrew Tripp; *promotion to* Associate Professor; School of Architecture; effective August 16, 2018
- John M. Thomason; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Clinical Sciences; effective July 1, 2018
- Farshid Vahedifard; Associate Professor; Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering; effective August 16, 2018
- Ryan M. Walker; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education; effective August 16, 2018

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- E. Samuel Winer; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Psychology; effective August 16, 2018

Mississippi Valley State University

- Teresa Banks; Assistant Professor; Teacher Education Department; effective August 13, 2018
- John Bradford; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Social Sciences; effective August 13, 2018
- Cynthia Honore'-Collins; Assistant Professor; Department of Social Work; effective August 13, 2018
- Lin Knutson; Associate Professor; Department of English and Foreign Languages; effective August 13, 2018
- Micah Rueber; *promotion to* Associate Professor; Department of Social Sciences; effective August 13, 2018

ADMINISTRATION POLICY

40. **ASU** – Approved the request to bestow one honorary degree at its May 2018 commencement ceremony. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.
41. **USM** – Approved the request to bestow one honorary degree at its May 2018 commencement ceremony. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Presented by Trustee Tom Duff, Chair

On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Pickering, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #1 and #2 as submitted on the Academic Affairs Agenda.

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved for final reading the amendments to Board Policy 402.01 Faculty Defined as shown below:

402.01 FACULTY DEFINED

The teaching staff and those members of the administrative staff having academic rank in a college, university or other educational institution or one of its divisions. In all institutions the faculty will consist of the Corps of Instruction and the administrative officers with faculty rank.

A. Corps of Instruction:

Professors, associate professors, assistant professors, instructors, lecturers, and teaching personnel with such other titles as may be approved by the Board, shall be the Corps of Instruction. Research and extension personnel and duly certified librarians may be included in the Corps of Instruction on the basis of comparable training. Persons holding ~~adjunct appointments or other~~ honorary titles shall not be considered to be members of the faculty.

2. **SYSTEM** – Approved for final reading the amendments to Board Policy 509 Distance Learning Policy as shown below:

509 DISTANCE LEARNING POLICY

All distance learning courses and programs shall be in accord with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) *Principles of Accreditation* and ~~Southern Regional Education Board *Principles of Good Practice*~~ Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions *Interregional Guidelines for the Evaluation of Distance Education*.

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Unless otherwise provided, all Board and university policies, standards, and guidelines for on and off campus instruction apply to distance learning.

FINANCE AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Christy Pickering, Chair

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Finance Agenda. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #2. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #3. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #4. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #5. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #6. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #7. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #8. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, with Trustee Morgan absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #9. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #10.

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to enter into a new multi-year agreement for annual external audit services Clifton Larson Allen, LLP (CLA). The purpose of the agreement is to secure external audit services for the entire IHL System for a term of the four (4) annual reporting periods of Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. The Office of the State Auditor is also a party to this contract. The agreement will become effective upon full execution of all parties. The agreement will expire after the conclusion of the last services performed for the FY 2021 audit. The total contracted price for this agreement is expected to be \$3465,000. Fees are based on anticipated cooperation from IHL personnel in preparation of confirmations and requested schedules. A list of additional services that CLA may bill for is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*. The Board approved the request to increase spending authority due to additional service needs of the type listed not to exceed \$4 million. Contractual costs will be shared amongst the IHL institutions based upon each's proportionate share of the worked audit hours. E&G funding sources will be the primary means for these payments. The agreement, which was reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.
2. **SYSTEM** – Approved for final reading the revision Board Policy 704.01 Athletic Revenues and Expenditures and waived the requirement for a second reading as required by Board Policy 201.0302 Procedures for Changing Board Policies and Adopting New Policies. **(See Exhibit 1.)**
3. **SYSTEM** – Approved the overview of the FY 2019 appropriations from the Legislature and the final allocation of Education & General Support appropriations to the eight universities along with Legislative earmarks, subsidiary programs, agricultural units, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center. **(See Composite Exhibit 2.)**

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4. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request that any FY 2019 salary increases should be based on one or more of the following: 1) meritorious performance, 2) market or equity adjustments, and 3) faculty/staff promotions. Salary increase decisions may be made at the discretion of the Commissioner (for the Executive Office) or the Institutional Executive Officer (for the campuses). These salary guidelines will apply to all university employees regardless of funding source or types of increases awarded.
5. **SYSTEM** – Approved for first reading the proposed increases in resident and non-resident tuition rates at all institutions and for certain professional schools at Mississippi State University, the Mississippi University for Women, the University of Mississippi, the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and the University of Southern Mississippi effective FY 2019. **(See Composite Exhibit 3.)** The Board approved for first reading the proposed increases in room and board rates at all institutions effective FY 2019. **(See Composite Exhibit 4.)**
6. **MUW** – Approved for first reading a proposed out-of-state tuition waiver policy to eliminate the non-resident fee under Board Policy 702.04 Approval Process. This policy will be implemented to include out-of-state tuition waivers as authorized, effective July 1, 2012, through the amendment to Miss. Code Ann. § 37-103-25 (3) and shall be effective upon approval by IHL and MUW, with individual waivers becoming applicable as of Fall 2018. MUW has continued to charge non-resident tuition to students who are not residents of Mississippi. Students who are charged non-resident tuition may be eligible for a waiver (scholarship) that will cover this fee. In fall 2012, MUW added the following categories of non-resident waivers (scholarships): Regional – students who met requirements for initial award of regional tuition scholarship and who maintain satisfactory academic progress; West Alabama residents of Fayette, Lamar, Pickens and Tuscaloosa counties; Strategic Markets (AL) Baldwin, Jefferson, Mobile, Shelby, Walker; (TN) Fayette, Shelby, Tipton; and Children of Alumni Undergraduates. In fall 2014, MUW expanded the non-resident waivers (scholarships) to cover the following categories: Contiguous States - residents of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana & Tennessee; Military - All students who have active or veteran military status, including spouses & dependent children; Students Near Completion of a Degree - have earned 90 credit hours or more & been out of school for a minimum of 2 years; Children & Grandchildren of Alumni - undergraduate children/grandchildren of active members of MUW Alumni Association; and Academic Programs Mission - specific programs identified by MUW. Based on the following information, since expanding the waiver criteria, MUW has seen a 72% increase in out-of-state undergraduate and out-of-state graduate enrollment. Without the out-of-state increase, total enrollment cannot increase. This increase has not resulted in much of a net tuition gain since the waivers have been shown as a scholarship expense. Based on recent data provided to IHL, the net tuition gain from the non-resident rate was less than \$21,000 in a given year.
7. **DSU** – Approved the initial request to institute a \$25 Student Activities Fee to provide an independent source of funding for the Student Government Association to expand student programming, student organizations, weekend and late-night programming, and educational speakers. The \$25 fee will be charged per semester to full-time students and pro-rated to part-time students. Students will not be charged the fee during the summer semesters. Student engagement on campus plays a critical role in retention and recruitment. The fact that this mandated fee was requested by the students is evidence of the need. The current Student Affairs budget is insufficient to accommodate the monetary needs of the more than one hundred student organizations on campus. It also limits program offerings. A Student Activities Fee will provide supplemental

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funding for this budget and will be administered by Student Affairs Administrators. Based on current enrollment, DSU projects this fee to generate approximately \$125,000 of new revenue annually.

8. **JSU** – Approved the initial request to increase the Student Activities Fee from \$10 to \$35 to provide funding for a variety of student events. The new fee will be charged per semester applicable to all students (resident, non-resident, on-line and on any campus). The fee will be assessed on undergraduate students and graduate students on a per student basis. The fee will be assessed for all academic terms starting after August 1, 2018. A breakdown of costs is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*.
9. **JSU** – Approved the initial request to increase the Capital Improvement Fee from \$50 to \$52.50 per semester to provide a stable base of support for capital projects. The fee, which will be applicable to all students (resident, non-resident, on-line and on any campus), will be assessed at an hourly rate of \$4.38 for undergraduate students and at an hourly rate of \$5.83 for graduate students and will be capped at \$52.50 per term. The fee will be assessed for all academic terms starting after August 1, 2018. A list of planned uses for the total capital improvement revenue is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*. Based on current enrollment, JSU projects this fee to generate approximately \$733,308 of revenue annually, all of which will be recorded in the plant fund and used strictly to address facility repair needs on campus.
10. **USM** – Approved for first reading the request to modify Exhibit F “Memorandum of Agreement” to the Lease Agreement for the Construction and Lease of Port Facilities between USM and the Mississippi Development Authority (“MDA”) and the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport (together with MDA, the “Port Authority”). The premises at this marine research facility means the real property, including the improvements and equipment constructed or to be constructed thereon, located on a portion of the Port Facility, as more specifically depicted in Exhibit A to the Lease Agreement. The square footage of the heated and cooled building space is approximately 18,000 square feet and the warehouse space is approximately 5,000 square feet. This facility will support several activities for USM that are currently unsupported or inadequately provisioned elsewhere. These activities include: 1) Shore facility support for the Research Vessel Point Sur including crew work spaces, equipment storage and maintenance shops; 2) Laboratory, fabrication and office spaces for USM Ocean Engineering Research programs; 3) Academic spaces for Ocean Engineering and Unmanned Maritime Systems programs as well as other degree programs offered under the SOST along the coast; and 4) USM small boat maintenance and repair shop. The Board also approved the request to prepay the lease payments under the terms and conditions of the lease in accordance with Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. The term of the Lease Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date under the Lease Agreement and shall expire on the tenth (10th) anniversary of the Occupancy Date. USM shall have the right to extend the Lease Agreement for an additional ten (10) year term upon six (6) months written notice to the Port Authority. USM shall pay rent in the amount of \$250,000 per year of each year of the initial ten (10) year term of the Lease Agreement. USM shall have the right to extend the term of the Lease Agreement for one (1) additional Ten (10) year term upon six (6) months written notice to the Port Authority. During the extended ten (10) year term, if elected by USM, USM will pay rent in the amount of \$250,000 plus an additional amount of rent increase for the extended term as calculated by the CPI increase effective after the 10th Anniversary of the Occupancy Date. The total Contract Amount to be paid by USM including the extended term shall be \$5 million plus an estimated amount for the calculated CPI increase. The agreement, which was reviewed and

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approved by the Attorney General's Office prior to the Board's approval of this item, is on file in the Board Office.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- President C.D. Smith welcomed Mr. Powell "Gee" Ogletree to the meeting. Mr. Ogletree will begin his tenure as an IHL Trustee on May 8, 2018.

LEGAL AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Alan Perry, Chair

On motion by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to move items #1 and #2 to the Executive Session Agenda.

1. **UMMC – Settlement of Tort Claim No. 3035. (THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION.)**
2. **UMMC – Settlement of Tort Claim No. 3170. (THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION.)**

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY AGENDA

Presented by Commissioner Glenn F. Boyce

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Administration/Policy Agenda. On motion by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Pickering, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #2.

1. **SYSTEM - Approval for final reading of amendments to Board Policy 201.0509 Institutional Executive Officer/Commissioner of Higher Education Search Process. (See Composite Exhibit 5.)**
2. **SYSTEM - Approval for final reading of amendments to Board Policy 201.0510 Application by Interim Institutional Executive Officer for Institutional Executive Officer Position. (See Composite Exhibit 5.)**

INFORMATION AGENDA

Presented by Commissioner Glenn F. Boyce

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **SYSTEM – The Board received a summary of the 2017 Textbook Survey Report. During the Fall 2017 semester, IHL institutions conducted a survey of students and faculty to supplement the annual IHL Textbook Policy (§617) data collection. The questions were intended to collect student feedback regarding textbook affordability, student access to alternative resources, and faculty**

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participation in the Hewlett funded opportunity to use Open Educational Resources. A copy of the report is on file in the Board Office.

2. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the 2015-2016 Textbook Report. A copy of the report is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*.

FINANCE

3. **MSU** – The Mississippi Information Technology Services (MS-ITS) Board approved the continued use of Blackboard’s Learning Management System by Mississippi State University (MSU). The Attorney General’s staff assigned to the MS-ITS reviewed the Renewal Confirmation Notice prior to approval. The Master Agreement for software and services is between Blackboard, Inc. and MS-ITS behalf of MSU. A copy of the approval documents is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*.
4. **UMMC** – The Mississippi Information Technology Services (MS-ITS) Board approved for the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) to purchase one (1) year of maintenance for UMMC’s phone system. The Attorney General’s staff assigned to the MS-ITS reviewed the supplement prior to execution. The Supplement is between Carousel Industries of North America, Inc. and MS-ITS on behalf of UMMC. A copy of the approval documents is included in the bound *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*.

REAL ESTATE

5. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Real Estate items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the March 22, 2018 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval. **(See Exhibit 6.)**

LEGAL

6. **SYSTEM** – The Board received a report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel. **(See Exhibit 7.)**
7. **MVSU** – Trustee Alan Perry, as Board Legal Committee Chair, on behalf of the Board, has approved Mississippi Valley State University’s emergency request to contract with the law firm of McDonald Hopkins to provide legal services pertaining to a privacy/cyber security breach and ransomware incident. The hourly rate will be \$365 for shareholders, \$290 for associates, with a maximum amount payable under the contract of \$10,000. The Attorney General has approved this contract.

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

8. **SYSTEM – 2018 Spring Commencement Schedules**

Alcorn State University

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m., Saturday, May 5, 2018
Location: Davey L. Whitney Health and Physical Education Complex
Speaker: Ms. Christy L. Pickering, Member of the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Delta State University

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Saturday, May 5, 2018
Location: Bologna Performing Arts Center
Speaker: Dr. Glendell Jones, President, Henderson State University

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Jackson State University

Graduate Commencement Exercises

Time/Date: 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 27, 2018
Location: Lee E. Williams Athletics and Assembly Center
Speaker: Dr. Leonard N. Moore, Interim Vice President for Diversity and Community Engagement and the George Littlefield Professor of American History at the University of Texas at Austin

Undergraduate Commencement Exercises

Time/Date: 8:00 a.m., Saturday, April 28, 2018
Location: Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium
Speaker: The Honorable Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, MS

Mississippi State University

Meridian Campus

Time/Date: 11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 3, 2018
Location: MSU Riley Center
Speaker: Dr. Scott Elliott, President of Meridian Community College

Starkville Campus

College of Business and Adkerson School of Accountancy, College of Education

Time/Date: 3:30 p.m., Thursday, May 3, 2018
Location: Humphrey Coliseum
Speaker: The Honorable Frank J. Williams, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court (Retired) and Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant Scholar

College of Arts & Sciences, College of Architecture, Art & Design, College of Veterinary Medicine

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m., Friday, May 4, 2018
Location: Humphrey Coliseum
Speaker: The Honorable Frank J. Williams, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court (Retired) and Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant Scholar

Bagley College of Engineering and Swalm School of Chemical Engineering, College of Agriculture & Life Sciences and School of Human Sciences, College of Forest Resources, General Studies

Time/Date: 3:30 p.m., Friday, May 4, 2018
Location: Humphrey Coliseum
Speaker: The Honorable Frank J. Williams, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court (Retired) and Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant Scholar

Mississippi University for Women

College of Arts, Sciences & Education and College of Business & Professional Studies

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 5, 2018
Location: Rent Auditorium, Whitfield Hall
Speaker: Dr. Tom Richardson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mississippi University for Women

College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Time/Date: 2:00 p.m., Saturday, May 5, 2018
Location: Rent Auditorium, Whitfield Hall
Speaker: Dr. Tom Richardson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mississippi University for Women

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Mississippi Valley State University

Time/Date: 8:00 a.m., Saturday, May 5, 2018
Location: Rice-Totten Stadium
Speaker: Mr. Sean Suggs, President, Toyota, Mississippi

The University of Mississippi

Time/Date: 9:00 a.m., Saturday, May 12, 2018
Location: The Grove
Speaker: Mr. Walter Isaacson, Acclaimed Biographer and Historian and former CEO of CNN and Time Magazine

The University of Mississippi Medical Center

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 25, 2018
Location: Mississippi Coliseum
Speaker: No Speaker

The University of Southern Mississippi

Time/Date: 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Friday, May 11, 2018
Location: Reed Green Coliseum, Hattiesburg, MS
Speaker: Dr. Douglas W. Rouse, Jr., Member of the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 12, 2018
Location: Mississippi Coast Coliseum, Biloxi, MS
Speaker: Ms. Christy L. Pickering, Member of the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

9. **SYSTEM** – The following items have been approved by the Commissioner on behalf of the Board and are available for inspection at the Board Office.
- a. **UM** - In accordance with Board Policy 701.06 Budget Escalations and Revisions, all revisions to annual budgets which do not increase the total amount of the budgets must be approved by the Commissioner prior to implementation and subsequently reported to the Board. On April 2, 2018, Commissioner Glenn F. Boyce approved the request to revise the On Campus Budget, Off Campus Budget, Mississippi Law Research Institute Budget, Mississippi Mineral Resources Institute Budget, Super Computer Budget, and Center for Manufacturing Excellence Budget for Fiscal Year 2018. The Executive Office financial staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. These revisions contain no increases in total budget but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is included in the *April 19, 2018 Board Working File*.
 - b. **UMMC** – In accordance with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts, “The Commissioner is authorized and empowered to approve non-oil, gas and mineral leases in an amount equal to or less than \$100,000.” On March 5, 2018, Commissioner Glenn F. Boyce approved the Facilities Rental Agreement with the Mississippi Fair Commission for the 3-day rental of the Mississippi Coliseum on May 23, 2018 through May 25, 2018, as the venue at which UMMC will hold its 2018 Graduation Ceremony. The total rental cost is \$9,192. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed and approved the contract documents.

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**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Duff at approximately 3:00 p.m. The following items were discussed.

1. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee McNair, with Trustees Hooper, Morgan, and Starr absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the following authorizations to plan new degree programs:
 - a. ASU – Doctor of Nursing degree (CIP 51.3818),
 - b. MSU – Master of Agriculture (CIP 26.0101),
 - c. MSU – Master of Science in Early Intervention (CIP 19.0710), AND
 - d. UM – Bachelor of Arts in Allied Studies (CIP 51.0000).
2. The Committee received the textbook report which includes a student survey.
3. By consensus, the Committee adjourned at approximately 3:20 p.m.

The following Committee members were present for the meeting: Mr. Tom Duff (Chair), Dr. Ford Dye, Ms. Ann Lamar, Dr. Alfred McNair, Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christy Pickering, Dr. Doug Rouse, Mr. C. D. Smith, and Dr. Walt Starr. Mr. Shane Hooper was absent.

**HEALTH AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ford Dye at approximately 3:20 p.m. The following items were discussed.

1. The Committee discussed the creation of the UMMC Partnership and Affiliation Review Committee (PARC). This committee would be responsible for assisting with ensuring that UMMC can achieve strategic healthcare partnerships and affiliations in an efficient manner so that UMMC can operate proactively within the dynamic healthcare industry. **No action was taken.**
2. Executive Session

On motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Pickering, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Duff, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter into Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of strategic business plans related to a public hospital.

During Executive Session, the following matters were discussed:

The Committee discussed the strategic business plans related to a public hospital. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee McNair, all trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to open session.

3. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee McNair, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn.

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The following Committee members were present for the meeting: Dr. Ford Dye (Chair), Mr. Tom Duff, Mr. Shane Hooper, Ms. Ann Lamar, Dr. Alfred McNair, Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christy Pickering, Dr. Doug Rouse, Mr. C. D. Smith, and Dr. Walt Starr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Glenn Boyce spoke about the Textbook Report. He thanked the 63,135 students who responded to a survey requesting feedback on textbook affordability. The cost of textbooks at the Mississippi public universities is decreasing due to open resources and the efforts of faculty.
- Commissioner Boyce provided a quick legislative update. As a whole, the university system had a successful session. The system received over \$87 million in the bond bills to enhance the institutions. The system was level-funded. There were many bills that did not get passed that would have had an adverse effect on the system. Overall, higher education received great support from the state legislators and leaders. Commissioner Boyce thanked them and the legislative liaisons for their hard work during the session.
- President Smith invited the university presidents to report on current activities on their campuses.
- Commissioner Boyce announced that this is the last meeting for Trustees Alan Perry, Christy Pickering, Doug Rouse, and C.D. Smith. He thanked them for their 10 years of service on the board.
- President Smith passed the gavel to President-Elect Shane Hooper who will begin his term as president on May 8, 2018. Trustee Hooper presented President Smith with a plaque commemorating his year of service as Board President.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter into Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of two state university litigations matters and
Discussion of two state university personnel matters.

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

On motion by Trustee Rouse, seconded by Trustee Pickering, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the settlement of Tort Claim No. 3035, styled as *Makiya Wortham v. UMMC, et al.*, as recommended by counsel.

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the settlement of Tort Claim No. 3170, styled as *Curtez Aldridge v. UMMC, et al.*, as recommended by counsel.

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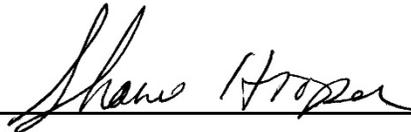
On motion by Trustee Rouse, seconded by Trustee Pickering, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to issue Dr. Jerryl Briggs, President of Mississippi Valley State University, a new employment contract to start July 1, 2018 and to continue for four years.

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Perry, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to issue to Dr. Jeff Vitter, Chancellor of the University of Mississippi, a revised four year employment contract to end June 30, 2020.

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Rouse, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.



President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning



Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

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EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 Approval for final reading of new Board Policy 704.01 Athletic Revenue and Expenditures
- Composite Exhibit 2 FY 2019 appropriations and final appropriation allocation.
- Composite Exhibit 3 Proposed increases in resident and non-resident tuition rates at all institutions and for certain professional schools at Mississippi State University, the Mississippi University for Women, the University of Mississippi, the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and the University of Southern Mississippi effective FY 2019 for first reading.
- Composite Exhibit 4 Proposed increases to the Room and Board rates for all institutions effective FY 2019 for first reading.
- Composite Exhibit 5 Approval for final reading of amendments to Board Policy 201.0509 Institutional Executive Officer/Commissioner of Higher Education Search Process and Board Policy 201.0510 Application by Interim Institutional Executive Officer for Institutional Executive Officer Position.
- Exhibit 6 Real Estate items that were approved by the IHL Board staff subsequent to the March 22, 2018 Board meeting.
- Exhibit 7 Report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel.

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SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR REVISION OF BOARD POLICY 704.01 – ATHLETIC REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND WAIVER OF SECOND READING

704.01 Athletic Revenue and Expenditures

Institutional Executive Officers are authorized to transfer or use up to \$1,500,000 annually from Unrestricted Educational and General (E&G) funds for athletic expenditures.

For the purposes of this section, athletic expenditures include all direct operating costs, pro-rated costs for facilities support, all athletic scholarships, but excludes waivers of non-resident tuition for athletes.

Over and above the sums shown above, each school is authorized to expend a limited amount per student FTE from Unrestricted Education and General funds. The additional maximum amount per student FTE per semester (summer, fall, and spring) which may be expended for each institution is \$198.00. Institutional Executive Officers are authorized to request allocations in excess of the calculated amount on an annual basis. Any allocations in excess of the calculated amount shall be subject to approval by the Commissioner upon review of information appropriate to such authorization.

Each year beginning July 1, 2014 the athletic allocation will be automatically indexed to the Consumer Price Index.

All other revenue for athletic expenditures must 1) be generated directly by the institution through athletic department receipts, 2) income from available athletic fund balances, or 3) for those institutions operating athletics as an auxiliary enterprise, come from available auxiliary fund balances.

Under no circumstances shall an institution conclude a fiscal year with a deficit.

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FY 2019 Education & General (Campus Funds)

Institution	FY 2018	FY 2019	Difference	Percent
Alcorn State University	\$18,486,046	\$18,625,737	\$139,691	0.8%
Delta State University	19,904,002	20,041,879	137,877	0.7%
Jackson State University	35,692,729	35,992,814	300,085	0.8%
Mississippi State University	86,997,453	87,722,731	725,278	0.8%
Mississippi University for Women	14,870,323	14,974,667	104,344	0.7%
Mississippi Valley State University	12,749,433	12,839,133	89,700	0.7%
University of Mississippi	76,956,978	77,572,389	615,411	0.8%
University of Southern Mississippi	73,408,511	73,984,914	576,403	0.8%
Subtotal	339,065,475	341,754,264	2,688,789	0.8%
 STEM Funds	 -	 3,300,000	 3,300,000	 100.0%
 Campus Total (excl. Ayers)	 \$339,065,475	 \$345,054,264	 \$5,988,789	 1.8%

COMPOSITE EXHIBIT 2



FY 2019 Separately Budgeted Units

	FY 2018	FY 2019	Change	Percent
Student Financial Aid	\$37,661,346	\$39,661,874	\$2,000,528	5.31%
University of Mississippi Medical Center	157,860,985	158,489,701	\$628,716	0.40%

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FY 2019 Agricultural Programs

Program	FY 2018	FY 2019	Change	Percent
ASU Agricultural	\$6,190,694	\$6,317,732	\$127,038	2.05%
Agricultural & Forestry Experiment Station	22,568,946	23,036,610	\$467,664	2.07%
Mississippi Cooperative Extension	29,198,086	29,812,427	\$614,341	2.10%
Forest & Wildlife Research Center	5,608,385	5,724,218	\$115,833	2.07%
College of Veterinary Medicine	17,216,407	17,722,083	\$505,676	2.94%
Agricultural Total	\$80,782,518	\$82,613,070	\$1,830,552	2.27%

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FY 2019 Subsidiary Programs

Inst.	Subsidiary	FY 2018	FY 2019	Change	Percent
Board	Executive Office	\$6,693,640	\$7,256,324	\$562,684	8.41%
JSU	Urban Research Center	448,580	448,976	\$396	0.09%
MSU	Advanced Vehicular Studies	4,426,458	4,430,484	\$4,026	0.09%
MSU	State Chemical Laboratory	1,601,638	1,603,486	\$1,848	0.12%
MSU	Water Resources Research Institute	357,031	357,031	\$0	0.00%
MSU	Stennis Institute	750,929	751,919	\$990	0.13%
UM	Law Research Institute	778,882	779,740	\$858	0.11%
UM	Mineral Resources Institute	336,795	337,191	\$396	0.12%
UM	Research Inst. of Pharmaceutical Sciences	3,058,808	3,164,616	\$105,808	3.46%
UM	Supercomputer	631,560	631,890	\$330	0.05%
UM	Small Business Center	245,641	246,433	\$792	0.32%
UM	Center for Manufacturing Excellence	2,567,961	2,709,149	\$141,188	5.50%
UM	State Court Education Program	1,574,512	1,621,680	\$47,168	3.00%
USM	Mississippi Polymer Institute	587,625	588,087	\$462	0.08%
USM	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	7,720,791	7,965,081	\$244,290	3.16%
USM	Stennis Center	311,564	311,762	\$198	0.06%
External (Non-IHL)	Volunteer Commission	662,657	681,449	\$18,792	2.84%
	Total	\$32,755,072	\$33,885,298	\$1,130,226	3.45%

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FY 2019 Resident Tuition Request

Institution	Approved		Requested	
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2019	Change
ASU	\$ 6,878	\$ 7,084	\$ 7,084	206
DSU	6,739	7,076	7,076	337
JSU	7,501	7,876	7,876	375
MSU	8,208	8,540	8,540	332
MUW	6,514	6,840	6,840	326
MVSU	6,402	6,530	6,530	128
UM	8,190	8,550	8,550	360
USM	8,108	8,514	8,514	406
SYSTEM AVERAGE	7,318	7,626	7,626	309
UMMC	8,268	8,433	8,433	165

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FY 2019 Non-Resident Tuition Request

Institution	Approved	Requested	
	FY 2018	FY 2019	Change
ASU	\$ 6,878	\$ 7,084	\$ 206
DSU	6,739	7,076	337
JSU	18,194	19,104	910
MSU	22,248	23,140	892
MUW	18,055	6,840	(11,215)
MVSU	6,402	6,530	128
UM	23,454	24,504	1,050
USM	10,108	10,514	406
SYSTEM AVERAGE	14,010	13,099	(911)
UMMC	24,246	24,731	485

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FY 2019 Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
MSU			
Veterinary Medicine	\$ 26,099	\$ 26,099	\$ -
Master of Physician Assistant	-	29,900	29,900
MUW			
MBA (36 hour program)	13,028	8,900	(4,128)
RN to BSN (3 semesters: Fall, Spring & Summer)	9,771	8,780	(991)
USM			
Certified Reg. Nurse Anesthesia (3 semesters: Fall, Spring & Summer)	22,830	23,972	1,142

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FY 2019 Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
UM			
School of Law (JD)	\$ 15,882	\$ 16,550	\$ 668
Masters of Laws Program Air & Space Law	22,110	22,110	-
MBA	13,500	14,580	1,080
School of Pharmacy: Pre-Pharm, EE1, EE2, & EE3	12,870	13,230	360
School of Pharmacy: P1 & P2	23,652	25,308	1,656
School of Pharmacy: P3 & P4	25,518	27,304	1,786
Accountancy Graduate Programs	8,694	9,554	860
Other Online Degree Programs of Study (rate per credit hour)	-	465	465

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FY 2019 Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
UMMC			
School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences	\$ 8,268	\$ 8,433	\$ 165
School of Dentistry	29,523	30,113	590
School of Medicine	29,552	30,143	591
School of Physical Therapy	19,299	19,685	386
Doctor of Occupation Therapy	14,332	19,685	5,353
Doctor of Health Administration	14,332	14,619	287

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FY 2019 Non-Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
MSU			
Veterinary Medicine	\$ 47,299	\$ 47,299	\$ -
Master of Physician Assistant	-	54,900	54,900
MUW			
MBA (36 hour program)	36,110	8,900	(27,210)
RN to BSN (3 semesters: Fall, Spring & Summer)	9,771	8,780	(991)
USM			
Certified Reg. Nurse Anesthesia (3 semesters: Fall, Spring & Summer)	28,830	29,972	1,142

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FY 2019 Non-Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
UM			
School of Law (JD)	\$ 35,254	\$ 36,612	\$ 1,358
Masters of Laws Program Air & Space Law	21,990	22,110	120
MBA	32,067	33,991	1,924
School of Pharmacy: Pre-Pharm, EE1, EE2, & EE3	29,334	30,384	1,050
School of Pharmacy: P1 & P2	47,664	51,000	3,336
School of Pharmacy: P3 & P4	51,522	55,129	3,607
Accountancy Graduate Programs	23,958	25,508	1,550
Other Online Degree Programs of Study (rate per credit hour)	-	465	465

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FY 2019 Non-Resident Tuition Request – Professional Schools

	Approved FY 2018	Requested FY 2019	Change
UMMC			
School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences	\$ 24,246	\$ 24,731	\$ 485
School of Dentistry	69,357	70,744	1,387
School of Medicine	69,584	70,976	1,392
School of Physical Therapy	40,746	41,561	815
Doctor of Occupation Therapy	40,150	41,561	1,411
Doctor of Health Administration	40,150	40,953	803

COMPOSITE EXHIBIT 4



FY 2019 Student Room Rate Request

Average ANNUAL Student Room Rates

Institution		Approved	Requested		
		FY 2018	FY 2019		
		Average Charge	Average Charge	Change	
ASU	double occupancy	\$ 6,070	\$ 6,313	\$ 243	
DSU	double occupancy	4,414	4,414	-	
JSU	double occupancy	5,563	5,783	275	
MSU*	double occupancy	5,983	6,222	239	
MUW	double occupancy	4,159	4,304	146	
MVSU	double occupancy	4,537	4,537	-	
UM	double occupancy	5,561	5,642	81	
USM*	double occupancy	5,187	5,357	169	
ALL AVERAGE	double occupancy	5,184	5,321	144	

**FY 2017 - FY 2018 approved rate averages adjusted for facilities added or taken offline*

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FY 2019 Student Board Rate Request

ANNUAL Student Board Rates

Most expensive meal plan options offered by institution are reflected

Institution	Approved		Requested	
	FY 2018	FY 2019	Change	
ASU	\$ 3,168	\$ 3,295	\$ 127	
DSU	3,170	3,280	110	
JSU	3,589	3,769	180	
MSU	3,781	3,920	139	
MUW	2,971	3,120	149	
MVSU	3,506	3,506	-	
UM	3,922	4,056	134	
USM	4,310	4,500	190	
ALL Average - all plans	3,552	3,681	129	

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SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR FIRST READING OF AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY 201.0509 INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER/COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION SEARCH PROCESS

201.0509 INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER/COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER
EDUCATION SEARCH PROCESS

A. General Policy

The Board shall appoint the Commissioner and the Institutional Executive Officers (IEOs). The Board shall make interim appointments to executive officer and/or commissioner positions as necessary and with such consultation as the Board considers appropriate.

B. Board Search Committee

The President of the Board shall appoint a committee of Board members to manage the search for a Commissioner or an IEO. However, any Board member who wants to serve on the committee may serve. The President of the Board, with the consent of the Board, shall appoint a member of the committee as chairperson.

Rather than engaging in the extended search process described below within the next paragraph and those that follow, the Board may, in its discretion, interview candidates that are known to the Board and consider their selection in accordance with the expedited process described in this paragraph. Such candidates may be internal candidates from the subject university or from one of the other state universities, or such other candidates that the Board believes should be considered. The Board may conduct such interviews of internal candidates or other candidates at an early point in the process so as not to discourage the application of additional candidates that may choose to apply if an internal candidate is not selected by way of an expedited process. In any event, an expedited process, if followed, should be utilized prior to the hiring of a search consultant. Following interviews of any such internal or other candidates, the Board, as it deems appropriate, may proceed with utilizing any portions of the extended search process set out below. A Board vote to select a preferred candidate interviewed in accordance with this expedited process shall require the affirmative vote of at least nine Board members. If candidates are interviewed in accordance with this expedited process and no candidate is designated as a preferred candidate, the Board has the power to engage in other expedited processes or to conduct a search in accordance with the extended process described below.

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The Commissioner, in consultation with the Board Search Committee, will make a recommendation to the Board with regard to a search consultant to assist with the search for an IEO. The Board may interview and will select the search consultant, if the Board determines that one is needed. The Board Search Committee may select a search consultant to assist with the search for a new Commissioner. As part of the initiation of the IEO search process, the Commissioner and Board Search Committee may consider the input of constituents regarding desired characteristics of a new IEO. The Board may also consider input from constituents regarding the desired characteristics of a new Commissioner. The Board shall approve any minimum qualifications for candidates.

C. Advertisement Schedule

If a search consultant is used, the Commissioner, with the assistance of any search consultant, shall develop the position advertisement and a general schedule for the search ~~in consultation with the Commissioner~~ and with the approval of the Board Search Committee.

D. Campus Search Advisory Committee

In a search for an IEO, the Commissioner shall prepare a list of the proposed membership of a Campus Search Advisory Committee, as well as a chair, or co-chairs, of such committee. The Campus Search Advisory Committee (“CSAC”) shall be representative of the various constituent groups of the university and representative in terms of diversity of race and gender, including administrators, faculty, staff, students, alumni, foundation representatives, and members of the community. There is no requirement that any particular person be selected because of their position, and no member of the CSAC will report to any group with respect to the search. The Commissioner shall then inform Board members of the proposed membership and chair (or co-chairs) of that committee. After the Board has been provided with the Commissioner’s recommendations for the membership and chair (or co-chairs) of the Campus Search Advisory Committee, if any Board member expresses a desire to the Commissioner to call a full Board meeting to discuss further the proposed membership and chair (or co-chairs) of that committee, a Board teleconference meeting shall be properly noticed and called. If no Board member requests such a Board meeting within forty-eight hours of being notified/consulted regarding the Commissioner’s recommendations, the Commissioner may proceed with appointing the membership and chair (or co-

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chairs) of the Campus Search Advisory Committee. The Commissioner, in coordination with the Chair of the Board Search Committee, shall take appropriate steps to receive written assurances from all of those proposed to serve on the Campus Search Advisory Committee that they have not formed any opinion as to the identity of the particular person that should be selected as the IEO, that they have no personal, professional or other relationship with any person that they understand may be a candidate that would impair their objectivity in fairly considering all candidates, that they will endeavor to remain open to considering all persons that apply in a fair and unbiased manner, ~~and~~ that they will not agree with any person to advocate or campaign for the selection of any particular candidate, and that they will not reveal any information about any applicants, before or after the conclusion of the search. ~~The Commissioner shall then inform Board members of the proposed membership and chair (or co chairs) of that committee. After the Board has been provided with the Commissioner's recommendations for the membership and chair (or co chairs) of the Campus Search Advisory Committee, if any Board member expresses a desire to the Commissioner to call a full Board meeting to discuss further the proposed membership and chair (or co chairs) of that committee, a Board teleconference meeting shall be properly noticed and called. If no Board member requests such a Board meeting within forty-eight hours of being notified/consulted regarding the Commissioner's recommendations, the Commissioner may proceed with appointing the membership and chair (or co chairs) of the Campus Search Advisory Committee. In a search for a Commissioner, the Board may seek advice from appropriate individuals or groups, including any search consultant hired by the Board.~~

E. Recruitment

Recruitment of candidates may occur up to the point of selection, but candidates will be advised to submit their materials by a specified date to insure optimum consideration for the position. At any point in the search process the Board may add additional candidates to the pool being considered without starting the entire process over. The decision regarding whether to have any such additional candidates reviewed by the Campus Search Advisory Committee is in the discretion of the Board. Additional interviews may be conducted as desired by the Board.

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F. Candidate Screening

The Campus Search Advisory Committee members will review the applications received by the date established in the advertisement. No meeting of the Campus Search Advisory Committee will be held to discuss candidates, since the process seeks to obtain independent advice from each member of the CSAC –without consultation among the members. Each member will submit their recommendations individually and separately as to the candidates to be further considered, and each shall vote individually by secret ballot for a minimum of five candidates that he/she recommends as a good candidate for the position for further consideration. The search consultant, if one is used, is to then accumulate the secret ballots and count them. If no consultant is used, t The Commissioner shall accumulate the results of those recommendations and ballots and count them. The results of the vote count, indicating the number of favorable votes received by each candidate, are to then be reported same to the Board Search Committee members. The Board Search Committee shall then meet and discuss which candidates to interview. Any other Board members may attend this meeting. All Board members will then be informed of those candidates that the Board Search Committee would like to interview. If any Board member expresses a desire to the Commissioner to call a full Board meeting to discuss further the candidates to be interviewed, a Board teleconference meeting shall be properly noticed and called. If no Board member requests such a Board meeting within forty-eight hours of being notified of the candidates to be interviewed, the Board Search Committee shall proceed with planning first round candidate interviews. The search consultant shall then be informed of the candidates to be interviewed. The consultant shall next be informed that he/she may advise the non-selected candidates that they will not be interviewed as part of the initial process, if such notification is deemed prudent by the Board and the search consultant at that point in time. The consultant should, if directed by the Board, remind those candidates that were not invited back for initial interviews that the Board can always add more names to be considered at a later date. ~~The Campus Search Advisory Committee may then be told who will be initially interviewed by the Board Search Committee.~~

G. Interview Search Advisory Committee

Each member of the Campus Search Advisory Committee shall be requested to provide nominations from the membership of that committee to serve on the Interview Search Advisory Committee. ~~Using that information and such~~

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~~information as may be deemed helpful to insure a balanced Interview Search Advisory Committee, t~~ The Commissioner and the Chair of the Board Search Committee shall then prepare a list of the proposed membership of an Interview Search Advisory Committee from the membership of the Campus Search Advisory Committee. ~~The Interview Search Advisory Committee shall be comprised of administrators, faculty, students, staff, and outside representatives. These representatives shall be diverse in race and gender.~~ The Commissioner shall then inform Board members of the proposed membership of that committee. After the Board has been provided with the recommendations from the Commissioner and the Chair of the Board Search Committee for the membership of the Interview Search Advisory Committee, if any Board member expresses a desire to the Commissioner to call a full Board meeting to discuss further the proposed membership of that committee, a Board teleconference meeting shall be properly noticed and called. If no Board member requests such a Board meeting within forty-eight hours of being notified/consulted regarding the recommendations, the Commissioner may proceed with appointing the membership of the Interview Search Advisory Committee. ~~The Interview Search Advisory Committee may participate with the Board of Trustees~~ will determine the role to be played by the in the remainder of the search process, except when the Board of Trustees excuses the Interview Search Advisory Committee with respect to the remainder of the search process from executive session.

H. First Interviews

The Board Search Committee and the Commissioner --, with such assistance and/or participation input from the Interview Search Advisory Committee as the Board deems appropriate and helpful --, will conduct the first round of interviews. If the Board chooses to allow members of the Interview Search Advisory Committee to participate in the First Interviews, no meeting of those members will be held to discuss candidates, and each member shall independently and confidentially write down his/her comments pertaining to each candidate immediately following that candidate's interview. The Chair of the Board Search Committee shall collect the written comments from each Interview Search Advisory Committee member. Those written comments will be provided to the Board Search Committee without consultation or coordination among Interview Search Advisory Committee members. All Board members will be invited to attend the interview. The consultant, if one is used, or the Commissioner if no consultant is used, will conduct a

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background check on those candidates participating in the first round of interviews.

I. Reference Contacts

Under the direction of the Commissioner and/or the consultant, reference contacts will be made on each candidate who is participating in the second round of interviews. Before or at the conclusion of the second round of interviews, the results of the reference contacts and background checks shall be made known to the Board.

J. Second Interviews

~~Before the second round of interviews, the results of the reference contacts and background checks shall be made known to the Board and the Interview Search Advisory Committee.~~ The Board Search Committee and the Commissioner -- with such assistance and/or participation from the Interview Search Advisory Committee as the Board deems appropriate and helpful --, will conduct the second round of interviews. The Board Search Committee shall ~~then meet to~~ discuss who and how many to interview during the second round of interviews. Any other Board members may attend this meeting. All Board members will then be informed of those candidates that the Board Search Committee would like to interview for second round interviews. If any Board member expresses a desire to the Commissioner to call a full Board meeting to discuss further the candidates to be interviewed for a second interview, a Board teleconference meeting shall be properly noticed and called. If no Board member requests such a Board meeting within forty-eight hours of being notified of the candidates to be further interviewed, the Board Search Committee shall proceed with planning the second round interviews by the full Board. The Board may conduct as many additional interviews as it deems necessary in conducting the search process. The Board will determine whether and the extent to which individual Trustees or groups will separately meet with the candidates. If the Board chooses to allow members of the Interview Search Advisory Committee to participate in the Second interviews, no meeting of those members will be held to discuss candidates, and each member shall independently and confidentially write down his/her comments pertaining to each candidate immediately following that candidate's interview. The Chair of the Board Search Committee shall collect the written comments from each Interview Search Advisory Committee member. Those written comments will be provided to the Board Search Committee without

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consultation or coordination among Interview Search Advisory Committee members.

K. Preferred Candidate

After all of the above has been completed, the Board of Trustees will meet to hear from the Board Search Committee regarding an assessment of each candidate. The Commissioner's assessment will be sought. The Board of Trustees will then select and announce their Preferred Candidate.

L. Campus Interview

The Preferred Candidate will be scheduled for a full day on-campus for interviews with a wide array of constituents. Each group will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the Preferred Candidate to the Board of Trustees.

M. Decision

The Board of Trustees will meet after the last on-campus interview session to review the feedback and conduct further discussion. The Board of Trustees will then vote to name the Preferred Candidate as the institution's new Institutional Executive Officer or vote to continue the search.

In a search for a Commissioner, the Board Search Committee may request appropriate individuals or groups to submit unranked recommendations of candidates to be considered for initial interviews. The Board Search Committee shall schedule initial interviews and all members of the Board will be invited to attend the initial interviews and participate in the selection of candidates for final interviews. The Board Search Committee may also invite additional individuals to attend and observe the initial interviews conducted by such committee to fill the position of Commissioner. The Board Search Committee will next develop an interview schedule for the candidates selected for final interviews for the position of Commissioner. The Board shall then meet and conduct final interviews and select the Commissioner.

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SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR FIRST READING OF AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY 201.0510 APPLICATION BY INTERIM INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION

201.0510 APPLICATION BY INTERIM OR ACTING INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR INSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION

An individual that continues to serve as the acting or interim Institutional Executive Officer after the formal circulation of the Advertisement requesting applications as (IEO) at a university shall not be considered as a candidate for the permanent IEO position at that university during that search process. However, this policy does not prohibit consideration during the search process of an individual who has completed service as an interim or acting IEO prior to the circulation of the formal Advertisement for applications and who discontinues such service at that time.

~~An individual currently serving as the interim Institutional Executive Officer (IEO) at a university shall not be considered as a candidate for the permanent IEO position for which he/she serves as interim at the same university. However, an individual currently serving as interim IEO may apply and be considered for a permanent IEO position at a different university. This policy does not prohibit an individual who has completed service as an interim IEO from being considered as a candidate for any IEO positions that subsequently become available at the same university.~~

EXHIBIT 6

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SYSTEM: REAL ESTATE ITEMS APPROVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE MARCH 22, 2018 BOARD MEETING SUBMISSION DEADLINE

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD'S REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES STAFF ACCORDING TO BOARD POLICY §904 (A) BOARD APPROVAL.

Change Order Approval Note: No change orders approved by Board staff, as reflected within any of the following informational agenda items, increase the Board approved total project budget. The total project budget as approved by the Board provides for a contingency fund, which allows for an increase in the construction budget of between five and ten percent. Any increase in the total project budget caused by a change order, would require Board approval and could not be approved by Board staff until the budget increase is approved by the Board.

ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY

1. ASU– GS 101-306 – Water Infrastructure Improvements

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

APPROVAL Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted M&G Enterprises d/b/a Engineering Service.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 22, 2018

Project Initiation Date: March 21, 2013

Design Professional: M&G Enterprises d/b/a Engineering Service

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$3,840,092.00

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

2. DSU– GS 102-262 – Young-Mauldin Renovation

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$69,431.00 and twenty-five (25) additional days to the contract of Diversified Construction Services, Inc. Approval is requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds, and Real Property Management.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 22, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following items: installed a voice evacuation system in lieu of a standard fire alarm notification system; reconciled the successful controls package bid and the project controls allowance; replaced a refrigerator with a reach-freezer; credit for deletion of food service equipment i.e. griddle and a refrigerated equipment stand; credited for deletion of a ductless mini-split HVAC unit; credited for the deletion of the heat grace for grease waste piping, and other minor plumbing changes; and twenty-five days to the contract.

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Change Order Justification: These changes were due to changes in requirements or recommendation by governmental agencies i.e. revisions in building codes safety or health regulations, controls on materials specified, etc., and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$69,431.00.

Project Initiation Date: October 16, 2014

Design Professional: Burris/Wagnon Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Diversified Construction Services, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$9,180,791.00

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3. **JSU- GS 103-281 – Alexander Center Renovation PH II – Elevator Replacement**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #2

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$29,649.60 and sixty (60) additional days to the contract of Fountain Construction Company. Approval is requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds, and Real Property Management.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 6, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following items: added four (4) elevator pit ladders and two (2) door closers; and 8' x 8' opening was cut in the exterior wall and filled in with an insulated louver; and sixty (60) days added to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to changes in requirements or recommendation by governmental agencies i.e. revisions in building codes safety or health regulations, controls on materials specified, etc. and days for work as indicated herein

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$70,449.60.

Project Initiation Date: February 18, 2016

Design Professional: Foil & Wyatt Architects

General Contractor: Fountain Construction Company

Total Project Budget: \$1,650,000.00

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4. **MSU- GS 105-351 – YMCA Renovation**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #5

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$119,148.63 and thirty-nine (39) additional days to the contract of Belinda Stewart Architects, P.A. Approval is requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds, and Real Property Management.

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Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 2, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following items: repairs made to the roof deck; relocated a door; conduits & electrical ,ATS to an elevator; added light fixtures and their devices; added a site fence and a protective gate; applied asphalt & paint to Lee Blvd.; changes were made to certain light fixtures; revision to roof & storm drains; added walkway access; installed a door & window glass on the third floor; installed a platform in the a non-rated duct chase; credit applied for cabinets; credit to omit 32' of sidewalk; changed a lock; changes concerning HVAC for a room; changes made to the HVAC grille size and shape in two (2) corridors; installed door glass to solid panel changes on first floor; credit for sidewalk and paver s; installed a door contact for a door; added data sleeves; and thirty-nine (39) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Five (5) change orders for a total amount of \$683,372.74.

Project Initiation Date: August 13, 2015

Design Professional: Belinda Stewart Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Gregory Construction Services, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$9,800,000.00

5. **MSU – GS 113-136 – Meat Science Laboratory**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #5

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$32,110.94 and thirty-four (34) additional days to the contract of Construction Services, Inc. Approval is requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds, and Real Property Management.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 15, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following items: added a flip wing to a door; added conduits above the viewing room windows; increased the size of the coiling doors; changes made to the exhaust hood over the belt grill; installed foot controls in HWS; installed air and gas piping; installed trolleys for splitting saw and hock cutter; added another carcass rail; added additional steel at a door jamb; added a disconnect to the chiller; and thirty-four (34) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Five (5) change orders for a total amount of \$63,169.15.

Project Initiation Date: October 17, 2013

Design Professional: Pryor & Morrow Architects and Engineers, P.A.

General Contractor: Construction Services, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$8,200,000.00

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6. MSU – GS 113-141 – ADS & Poultry Complex

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Contract Documents

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Cooke Douglass Farr Lemons, Architects & Engineers, P.A.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 6, 2018

Approval Request #2: Advertise

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 6, 2018

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2017

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$13,000,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$27,500,000.00

7. MSU– GS 113-145 – NWARC Roof Replacement

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$747,000.00 to the apparent low bidder, Independent Roofing systems. Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 22, 2018

Project Initiation Date: May 18, 2017

Design Professional: Pryor & Morrow architects & Engineers

General Contractor: Independent Roofing Systems, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,000,000.00

8. MSU– IHL 205-279 – Addition & Renovation to Dudy Noble Field

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$193,482.54 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Jesco, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 2, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following items: Added additional feeders; revisions to the left field berm; installed a concrete apron and retaining wall to the center field entry; revisions to the site bollars; additional steel detailing; increased the width of the gate & opening at the home bullpen; revisions to the landscaping; over seeded the sod with rye grass for phase B; revisions to wall mods related to the left field berm; added a stainless steel shelf for a single-hung window at the ticket building; added additional traffic coating at the dugout walls, tunnel walls & bowl walls; and added traveling cable (power) for an elevator.

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to errors & omissions in the plans and specifications; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$1,374,141.25.

Project Initiation Date: May 21, 2015

Design Professional: Wier Boerner Allin Architects, PLLC

General Contractor: Jesco, Inc.

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Total Project Budget: \$55,000,000.00

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9. UM– GS 107-308 - Union Addition & Renovation

Approval Request #1: Change Order #12

Board staff approved Change Order #12 in the amount of \$257,981.00 and eleven (11) additional days to the contract of Roy Anderson Corporation.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 22, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #12 includes the following items: installed rebar dowels in the existing concrete masonry unit and added support steel for windows; provided the final connection to the catering kitchen equipment; furnished coax cabling on all the elevator travel cables; demolished the unstable existing concrete masonry unit along the east side of phase 3 and reconstructed with additional reinforcing; added a visual strip and revised the floor covering; installed keyed switches for the brand area security grilles; revised the roof drain pipe routing and tie-in to the underground storm drain catch basin; added electrical & communication infrastructure; revised the door & hardware in McAlisters; widened the flanking brick masses at the ends of the modified south porch; modified; supplemented the steel support framing for the operable partition; and added eleven days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to errors & omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Twelve (12) change orders for a total amount of \$2,486,153.00.

Project Initiation Date: February 22, 2008

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects – Jackson, P.A.

General Contractor: Roy Anderson Corporation

Phased Project Budget: \$58,569,689.68

Total Project Budget: \$58,900,000.00

10. UM – IHL 207-372 – South Campus Recreation Facility & Transportation Hub

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$428,278.23 and six (6) additional days to the contract of Zellner Construction Services, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 15, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following items: installed a 6” pedestal encasement around a shear crack in a column; modified mezzanine floor at an elevator; substituted a closed-cell foam for insulation that does not require a membrane vapor barrier; installation of gypsum board assemblies in non-accessible areas; installation of a ductile iron irrigation supply line; added horizontal netting at the MAC court; replaced the existing rusted roof decking and prep/prim isolated areas of the existing decking; provided a manual roof crane in lieu of an electric roof crane; added solid surface sills at the windows; changed the upholstery bench tops to solid surface bench tops; reinstalled a new portion of the fire loop; refabricated and relocated the

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mechanical duct; raised two (2) existing manholes; installed plywood behind the gypsum board at the lobby wall; installed header channels to install the curtain wall; modified the controls operations of two (2) valves; added a structural steel beam; installed steel & an expansion joint at the exterior curtain wall; modified the steel; fully welded the cover plates & grind corners at thirteen (13) columns along a column line; removed the furnishing and installed card readers from the scope of work; modified the mezzanine penetrations extending to the first floor; applied intumescent paint in lieu of spray paint on fire-proofing at the interior portions of six (6) columns along the column line; installed a domestic water meter; provided & installed rubber athletic flooring at the mezzanine; and six (6) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to errors & omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and additional work due to weather delays as stated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$1,121,373.47.

Project Initiation Date: June 20, 2013

Design Professional: JBHM Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Zellner Construction Services, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$28,736,759.40

Total Project Budget: \$32,000,000.00

11. UM – IHL 207-392 – North Parking Structure

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$320,865.10 and thirty (30) additional days to the contract of B.L. Harbert International, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 19, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following items: installed metal closure strips at the southeast stair locations; undercut and replace unstable soil with suitable soil; replaced the cross drains; concrete masonry unit infill done at the short section of structural retaining wall at the northwest corner of the garage for the brick veneer to align with the revised configuration of the civil retaining wall to the west for the north road; an elevator lobby panel was added ; additional exit lights were added; barrier cables were added on the north side of the parking structure; additional unsuitable soil to be undercut and replaced with suitable soil; removed the existing asphalt grades and re-graded and installed a new base, binder, and wearing course to work in conjunction with the curb & gutter; new walkway and ramp were removed & replaced with American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant ramps at Broad Street near the southeast corner of the site; raised the existing communications manhole; the generator & ATS were not able to be terminated with lugs; new inlets of the correct size were added to replace the existing inlet grades; additional fabrication & installation of the elevator bevel steel was done; additional priming & painting of the elevator bevel steel was done; cameras at Level & & were re-mounted on 8”-0” poles mounted on the wall; credit to omit corrective work to relocate a light, pole & base to clear the tree canopy; reset thirty-three (33) light poles and removed the leveling nuts and adjust the base of these fixtures after the lights are installed; added the phone housing and the phone; two (2) additional

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notification devices (speaker/strobe) installed in the ramp area on the seventh level; credit to omit corrective work to re-terminate cabling per industry and campus standards with owner-furnished additional materials; relocated the condensing unit and rerouted the refrigerant lines; credit for installation of stop signs no longer required as the university installs their own; installed an additional storm inlet and piping at the southeast corner of the existing curved north parking lot and clean up for sediment that washed down toward Stockard-Martin lot; installation of an additional storm inlet and piping at the southeast corner of the new curved north parking lot; and thirty (30) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to changes & requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies i.e. revisions in building codes, safety or health regulations, controls on materials specified, etc; errors & omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and additional work due to weather delays as stated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$184,689.71.

Project Initiation Date: September 26, 2014

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: B.L. Harbert International, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$33,750,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$34,550,000.00

12. UM– IHL 207-398 – John W. White Facilities Management Building West Wing Addition

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$11,600.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 15, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following items: final payment was adjusted for liquidated damages at \$200.00 per calendar day from the adjusted contract date to the actual date of substantial completion for a total of fifty-eight (58) days.

Change Order Justification: These changes are user/owner requested modifications per the contract documents as stated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$1,374,141.25.

Project Initiation Date: January 22, 2015

Design Professional: Foil-Wyatt Architects & Planners, PLLC

General Contractor: Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$2,394,739.00

13. UM– IHL 207-401 – Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6R

Board staff approved Change Order #6R in the amount of \$1270,076.16 and one hundred eight (108) additional days to the contract of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.

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Change Order Description: Change Order #6R includes the following items: improved the storm water drainage in front of the existing lab facility and developed a more easily accessible dumpster pad & garbage truck washdown area; constructed a canopy structure over the UV disinfection room; added additional electrical work including new panels in the lab building and other work performed; demolished the existing rout and re-grout clarifier; installed a 6" drain from the clarifier weir scum box to the T valve pit; sawcut the wall at CLR 1 and two (2) for the additional slide gate; and one hundred eight (108) days to the contract

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to errors & omissions in the plans and specifications; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$391,823.20.

Project Initiation Date: February 18, 2015

Design Professional: Engineering Solutions, Inc.

General Contractor: Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$9,900,000.00

14. UM- IHL 207-411.1 – O-U Stadium (Swayze Field) Addition & Renovation – PH II

Approval Request #1: Change Order #4

Board staff approved Change Order #445,221.88 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Century Construction & Realty, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 19, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following items: modified an elevator feed to conform with the manufacturer requirements; modified and added A/V infrastructure for presentation capability to the original tv locations jn the Dug Out Club.; added fire sprinkler heads to wash windows located in the fire-rated wall; added an emergency light fixture in the Dug Out Club locker area; added a gypsum board ceiling in the elevator room; added power feed to the new alarm panel; added a rooftop generator support; added access control provisions to an elevator; added a foot wash in the treatment pool; installed a glass rail at the display case in lieu of glass doors; added GFCI outlets under the hood in a kitchen; added PA connection route from the press box to the Dug Out Club; added additional tv locations & required infrastructure & power to a performance center; added infrastructure, power & controls for lights in a mechanical room; closed the existing ductwork roof penetration & added a new HVAC supply to an existing corridor and replace the exhaust fan to a restroom.

Change Order Justification: These changes are due to errors & omissions in the plans and specifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Four (4) change orders for a total amount of \$1,374,141.25.

Project Initiation Date: May 21, 2015

Design Professional: Cooke Douglas Farr Lemons, LTD

General Contractor: Century Construction & Realty, Inc.

Phased Project Budget: \$18,639,272.54

Total Project Budget: \$55,000,000.00

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15. UM– IHL 207-415 – Golf Practice Facility Renovation

Approval Request #1: Contract Documents

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Pryor & Morrow

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 19, 2018

Approval Request #2: Advertise

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 19, 2018

Approval Request #3: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$2,481,945.00 to the apparent low bidder, Duininck, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 28, 2018

Project Initiation Date: February 18, 2016

Design Professional: Pryor & Morrow

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$3,198,000.00

16. UM– IHL 207-424 – Faser Hall First Floor Modifications

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$582,918.00 to the apparent low bidder, Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 22, 2018

Project Initiation Date: August 18, 2016

Design Professional: Cooke Douglas Farr Lemons, Architects & Engineers, P.A.

General Contractor: Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,300,000.00

17. UM– IHL 207-428 – East Campus Electrical Modifications

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,6630,400.00 to the apparent low bidder, McInnis Electric Co.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 6, 2018

Project Initiation Date: November 17, 2016

Design Professional: Corbett Legge & associates, PLLC

General Contractor: McInnis Electric Co.

Total Project Budget: \$1,900,000.00

18. UM– IHL 207-436 – Kinard Water Treatment Replacement

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,285,000.00 the apparent low bidder, Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 22, 2018

Project Initiation Date: June 15, 2017

Design Professional: Engineering Solutions Company, Inc.

General Contractor: Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.

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Total Project Budget: \$1,600,000.00

19. UM– IHL 207-439 – Crosby Hall HVAC Upgrades

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,058,350.00 to the apparent low bidder, Upchurch Plumbing, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 6, 2018

Project Initiation Date: November 16, 2017

Design Professional: Corbett Legge & associates, PLLC

General Contractor: Upchurch Plumbing, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$2,800,000.00

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20. USM– IHL 208-334 – Cochran Center Theatre

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the credit amount of \$1,799.92 and zero additional days to the contract of Hanco Corporation.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, March 2, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following items: credit for installation, setup commission and owner training for HVAC controls due to the difference in cost; added additional data drops at the camera locations; provided additional ductwork in the hallway and revisions made on the supplemental drawings; furnished, installed & terminated the CAT cable at the cameras, people counters, access points & cash register; credit providing the specified hardware; credit was given to adjust the cost of the hardware installed against the hardware allowance; credit was given to adjust the cost of the signage provided against the signage allowance; added additional ceramic tile in specified lobbies; added a pipe handrail to the bottom step in one of the theatre rooms; and a credit for the carpet that was not accepted.

Change Order Justification: This change was due to changes in requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies i.e. revisions in building codes safety or health regulations, controls on materials specified, etc.; latent job site conditions; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$1,799.92.

Project Initiation Date: January 18, 2018

Design Professional: Shafer-Zahner-Zahner, PLLC

General Contractor: Hanco Corporation.

Total Project Budget: \$2,800,000.00

21. USM – IHL 208-336 – McCain Library Envelope Repairs

Approval Request #1: Approval of Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Shafer-Zahner, PLLC.

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Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 20, 2018

Project Initiation Date: March 19, 2015

Design Professional: Shafer-Zahner-Zahner, PLLC

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$50,000.00

22. USM – GS 108-281 – Greene Hall Renovations

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$16,737.93 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of B.W. Sullivan Building Contractor, Inc. Approval is requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds, and Real Property Management.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 19, 2018

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following items: asbestos abatement services for additional areas that were uncovered during the demolition phase of the project.

Change Order Justification: This change was due to latent job site conditions.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$16,737.93.

Project Initiation Date: September 18, 2014

Design Professional: Allred Architectural Group, Inc.

General Contractor: B.W. Sullivan Building Contractor

Total Project Budget: \$13,000,000.00

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1. SYSTEM - REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL

Legal fees approved for payment to outside counsel in relation to litigation and other matters:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware Immigration (statement dated 2/19/18) from the funds of Alcorn State University. (This statement, in the amounts of \$460.00, represents services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 460.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statement dated 3/20/18) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$6,313.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 6,313.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Gian Franco Borio (statement dated 02/28/2018) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$8,500.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 8,500.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware Immigration (two statements each dated 3/1/18) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$493.00 and \$3,003.00, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,496.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo|Mallette (statement dated 3/6/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$12,949.52, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 12,949.52

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, LLP (statement dated 2/20/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$11,555.60, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 11,555.60

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 11/15/17, 11/15/17, 11/15/17, 12/11/17, 12/4/17 12/13/17, 12/13/17, 12/13/17, 12/13/17, 1/23/18, 1/23/18, 1/31/18, 2/7/18, 2/19/18, 2/19/18, 2/21/18, 2/21/18, 2/21/18, 2/21/18, 2/26/18, 3/12/18, 3/12/18, 3/13/18, and 3/13/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$324.50, \$1,121.00, \$531.00, \$6,490.00, \$15,310.50, \$3,599.00, \$590.00, \$1,003.00, \$45,846.84, \$2,708.00, \$14,253.80, \$7,578.04, \$1,740.50, \$1,003.00, \$1,858.50, \$33,100.21, \$11,818.60, \$3,038.50, \$13,245.50, \$10,783.80, \$3,026.50, \$4,425.00, \$3,795.50, and \$2,743.50 represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 189,934.79

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Currie Johnson and Myers, PA (statement dated 2/13/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$2,295.23, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,295.23

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Hogan Lovells, US, LLP (statements dated 2/27/18 and 2/28/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$11,836.80 and \$10,122.20, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 21,959.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Jeffrey P. Reynolds, PA (statement dated 1/31/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$3,013.24, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,013.24

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Scott Sullivan Streetman and Fox, PC (statement dated 2/6/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$499.50, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 499.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Steen Dalehite and Pace (statement dated 2/23/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$2,223.70, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,223.70

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites and Harbison (two statements each dated 2/16/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$38.00 and \$3,930.33, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,968.33

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins and Eager, PLLC (statements dated 1/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, 3/1/18, and 3/1/18) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,402.50, \$3,984.75, \$643.50, \$41,316.64, \$726.00, \$1,839.75, \$247.50, \$726.00, \$660.00, \$575.40, and \$9,870.45, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 61,992.49

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Bryan, Nelson, Schroeder, Castigliola & Banahan (statement dated 3/9/18) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$8,779.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 8,779.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette (statement dated 3/6/18) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$747.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 747.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware Immigration (two statements each dated 3/1/2018) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$10.00 and \$58.92, represents services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certifications.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 68.92

EXHIBIT 7

APRIL 19, 2018

Legal fees approved for payment to outside counsel in relation to patent and other matters:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (two statements each dated 1/22/18) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: "Cancer Therapeutic Use of Occidiofungin" - \$256.41; Recombinant Fimbrial Protein of Aeromonas Hydrophila as vaccine in catfish" - \$3,341.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,597.41

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (statement dated 2/16/18) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the following patents: "Horstemeyer et al / MSU2012.0875 / Extruder Device: - \$432.00)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 432.00