

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
February 17, 2022**

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 December 14, 2021, to each and every member of said Board said date being at least five days prior to this February 17, 2022 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Dr. Ormella Cummings, Dr. Steven Cunningham, Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Ms. Jeanne Carter Luckey (via Zoom), Mr. Bruce Martin, Dr. Alfred E. McNair, Jr., Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Dr. J. Walt Starr. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Walt Starr, President. Trustee Hal Parker introduced Mr. Marcus Thompson, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrative Officer, who provided the invocation.

Members of the Board participated in the meeting in person or via Zoom. **In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this meeting were recorded by name in a rollcall. This was a regular monthly meeting of the Board.**

2022 DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AWARDS CEREMONY

President Walt Starr noted that each year the Board observes Black History Month by celebrating the achievements and accomplishments of one individual from each state institution of higher learning who has contributed significantly to the positive advancement of diversity on his/her campus, in their community, and the state. In addition, a community leader who has greatly impacted our state and its citizens is awarded the Karen Cummins Community Service Award.

Trustee Steven Cunningham, Chair of the Diversity Committee, thanked the members of the committee for their time and effort. Committee members include Mrs. Jeanne Luckey and Mr. Chip Morgan. Trustee Cunningham gave special thanks to the universities' Chief Diversity Officers for their hard work on campus.

Trustee Cunningham congratulated all the nominees and presented them with a plaque for serving as role models and strong advocates for the advancement of diversity at their respective universities. The nominees were as follows:

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| Marta A. Piva, Ph.D. | Alcorn State University |
| ConSandra McNeio, Ph.D. | Jackson State University |
| Christopher Hunter, Ph.D. | Mississippi State University |
| Rachel Welborn | Mississippi State University, Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine |
| Shahara'Tova Dente, Ph.D. | Mississippi University for Women |
| Lokesh Shivakumaraiah, Ph.D. | Mississippi Valley State University |
| Ashleen Williams | University of Mississippi |
| Norma Beatriz Ojeda, M.D. | University of Mississippi Medical Center |
| LaWanda Baskin, Ph.D. | University of Southern Mississippi |

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Trustee Cunningham announced Todd M. Davis, Ed.D., Assistant Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation & Director of Outdoor Programs, as the 2022 Diversity Educator of the Year as chosen by the IHL Board of Trustees' Diversity Committee. Next, Trustee Cunningham presented The Honorable David L. Jordan, Senator, Mississippi State Senate with the Karen Cummins Community Service Award. Dr. Davis and Senator Jordan each received a resolution and plaque commemorating these awards. A copy of each resolution is included in the *February 17, 2022 Board Working File*.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting held on January 20, 2022.

CONSENT AGENDAS

On motion by Trustee Rader, seconded by Trustee Cummings, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agendas.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **UM** – Approved the following modification to an existing academic unit:

Delete

Unit Title: Department of Applied Gerontology

Unit Location: School of Applied Sciences

Effective Date: February 2022

Degree Programs Offered Within Unit: Undergraduate Major in Applied Gerontology; Online Undergraduate Minor in Applied Gerontology

FINANCE

2. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter an Industrial Power Contract with 4-County Electric Power Association which is attached to the Keep Whole Agreement as Exhibit “A.” A substation must be constructed by 4-County to supply enough electricity to operate the computing systems and equipment which will be in the University’s High Performance Computer Network Data Center (IHL Project #205-310). Once power is capable of being delivered to the Data Center in the required quantity, MSU and 4-County will finalize and enter the Industrial Power Contract. The Board authorized the University to finalize and enter the contract without further Board approval. The final contract will be provided to the Board as an information item. Pursuant to this contract, 4-County will supply the required power to the Data Center, MSU will repay 4-County for a portion of the costs of constructing the substation, and MSU will pay a reduced rate for the power consumed. The

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term of the contract will be ten years after entering the manufacturing stage which will be approximately a year after power is capable of being delivered to the Data Center in the required quantity. The University estimates that this contract will result in MSU saving annually on energy costs necessary to operate the Data Center. Once the substation is fully operational, the University will pay TVA's lowest energy rate – the manufacturing (MSB) rate for each kWh of power. At the estimated power demand of 15,000 kW, this will result in savings of approximately 30 cents per kwh, or \$3,000,000 annually, when compared to the current GSA3 rate schedule. Based on current estimates MSU will be responsible for a \$1.8 Million initial contribution toward construction, but this investment will be offset by the savings. The estimated infrastructure investment is \$6,240,000. The actual amount will be included in the contract before it is executed. MSU will be responsible for an initial financial investment ("Contribution in Aid of Construction" or "CIAC") based on 4-County's total infrastructure investment minus the following: (a) TVA Transmission Line Agreement Deposit: Part or all of the line extension cost associated with the transmission line improvements will be credited back to 4-County by TVA upon the facility taking delivery of power in the Manufacturing Stage. This cost is not required in the initial CIAC. Any transmission line costs not reimbursed to 4-County will be included in the Line Extension Costs. (b) 4-County Performance Credit: 4-County offers a Performance Credit based on the highest average monthly peak demand for 12 consecutive months. For the purpose of determining the initial CIAC required at contract signing, the estimated Performance Credit is based on the Contract Demand. The actual Performance Credit is determined at the end of year eight (8) of the contract. At the end of year eight (8) of the contract, a reconciliation will be calculated between the total Line Extension Costs and the aforementioned credits. At this time, MSU will be required to reimburse 4-County for the difference between the Actual Line Extension Costs and total credits earned. In the event the contract or any renewal or replacement thereof expires or is terminated for any reason prior to the reconciliation described in Section 4(c), MSU shall promptly pay to 4-County, upon receipt of the statement therefore, the undepreciated portion of the Line Extension Cost, plus the cost of removing any infrastructure provided pursuant to the contract, less (i) the salvage value of materials and equipment removed and (ii) any amounts previously paid by MSU as a CIAC pursuant to Section 4(b) hereof, with the depreciated materials comprising the Line Extension Cost depreciated at the rate of 3% per year. In no event shall the foregoing credits result in 4-County owing any amount to MSU. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive any such expiration or termination until they are discharged. During the term of the contract, MSU shall be required to pay a monthly minimum bill to 4-County, as determined by the applicable Rate Schedules, as amended, changed, replaced or adjusted from time to time. The contract will be funded by University Funds. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

3. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a Keep Whole Agreement with 4-County Electric Power Association. A substation must be constructed by 4-County to supply enough electricity to operate the computing systems and equipment which will be in the University's High Performance Computer Network Data Center (IHL Project #205-210). Pursuant to the Keep Whole Agreement, 4-County will complete the necessary work to

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construct the substation and ensure that the required power is available to be delivered to the Data Center. MSU will be responsible for paying all the associated costs for this work if MSU terminates the work prior to entering the Industrial Power Contract. 4-County shall be responsible for all associated costs if the work is terminated for without cause by 4-County. The Keep Whole Agreement will be executed and become effective following Board approval. It will remain in effect until power is capable of being delivered to the Data Center in the required quantity which is estimated to be approximately 2 years from the date of execution. The estimated infrastructure investment is \$6,240,000. If MSU terminates the contract, MSU will be responsible for reimbursing 4-County for all actual costs incurred by or paid to any third-party entities that 4-County has retained or utilized. Costs shall include labor (including overtime costs), applicable overhead, professional service fees, materials, taxes, transportation, and other cost associated with the design, specification, procurement, delivery, construction, testing, or provisioning related to the work done pursuant to the Keep Whole Agreement, but in no event shall MSU be obligated to pay more than the actual costs. Costs for third-party entities shall be limited to actual third-party costs and shall not include a “mark up” or fee payable to 4County or its affiliates. All reimbursable sums for equipment or material components of the work shall be net of any salvage or marketable value of equipment or materials. All labor (including overtime costs), applicable overheads, and professional service components of the work are agreed to have no salvage value. If MSU does not terminate the contract and executes the Industrial Power Contract, MSU has no financial obligation under the Keep Whole Agreement. Instead, MSU’s reimbursement obligation is defined in the Industrial Power Contract. The contract will be funded by University funds. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

4. **MSU** – Approved the request to amend the subscription services agreement with Springer Nature Customer Service Center, LLC to add two titles to the title list of journals and discontinue one title. Because the title being discontinued has a higher cost, the net change will decrease our cost in 2022 by \$571.82 and the 2023 cost will decrease by \$384. Springer provides all MSU faculty, staff, and students with access to 58 journals. The original Springer Nature agreement was reviewed and approved by the IHL Board in March 2021. The Board also approved the request for the university to adjust the titles and subscription cost during the term of the contract provided that the change in cost does not exceed 5%. The term of the agreement began January 1, 2021 and ends December 31, 2023. The total contract amount is \$1,113,516.02 and is broken down as follows: 2021 \$358,435.18; 2022 \$370,806.58; and 2023 \$384,278.26. The contract will be funded by general funds. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
5. **MVSU** – Approved the request to enter a contractual agreement with Delta Health Center, Inc. to provide a comprehensive health care program, including mental health services, for MVSU’s students, faculty, and staff. The term of the contract begins March 1, 2022 and ends June 30, 2025. However, the term of this agreement shall begin upon the date of execution by both parties and ends June 30, 2025 as stated on page 3, Section 3 of the

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contract. The total cost of the contract is \$682,823.28. Payment will be issued on a monthly basis at \$17,070.58. The annual cost of the contract is as follows: March – December 2022 - \$170,705.80; January – December 2023 - \$204,847.00; January – December 2024 - \$204,847.00; and January – June 2025 - \$102,423.48. The contract will be funded by general funds. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

6. **UM** – Approved the request for the UM Office of Admissions to amend a contract with Carnegie Dartlet LLC which includes Statement of Work #8 (SOW8) that provides lead generation service to generate prospective student interest for student recruitment and enrollment. The statement of work details services provided over a twelve-month period to include prospective student lead generation through online platforms which highlight the university in various academic interest areas. The term of SOW8 is for twelve months beginning February 25, 2022 and ending February 24, 2023. The current MSA is scheduled to expire March 22, 2025. The amount of SOW8 is \$25,899.38. This addition would increase the total amount of the existing Agreement to a sum not to exceed \$1,454,253.76. The contract will be funded by the Office of Admissions funds earmarked for the purpose of recruitment lead generation. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
7. **UM** – Approved the request for the University Marketing and Communications to amend the Master Service Agreement with Carnegie Dartlet LLC to add a new Statement of Work #9. SOW9 outlines a proposal for three different workshops to be held on different dates in 2022: 1) a training workshop for all communicators and marketers on the Oxford campus, 2) a two-day training workshop for University Marketing & Communications content creators to learn creative and technical skills to better apply the Ole Miss brand, and 3) a workshop for University Marketing & Communications leadership to develop an annual strategic marketing communications plan. The current Master Service Agreement is scheduled to expire on March 22, 2025. The amount of SOW9 is \$121,500. This addition would increase the total amount of the existing Agreement (including SOW8) to a sum not to exceed \$1,575,753.76. The contract will be funded by University Marketing & Communications funds earmarked for brand marketing. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
8. **UM** – Approved the request for the UM Office of Information Technology to renew a contract with SAP America, Inc. (SAP) to extend UM’s license of SAP’s SuccessFactors HCM software for an additional five years. The software provides a 100% online process for the employee recruitment and onboarding processes and its employee performance appraisal process. The additional five-year renewal begins April 1, 2022 and ends March 31, 2027. The total contract value is \$648,103.83. As UM is in year five of its current contract with SAP for this software and will have been invoiced for the period of January 30, 2022 through January 29, 2023 by the time the new contract is executed, the year one amount will be \$37,266.87. Years two through five will be invoiced at \$152,709.24 annually. This extension will be funded through Educational and General university funds.

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Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

9. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Laboratory Services Agreement with Ascend Clinical, LLC (Ascend) for the laboratory testing for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients, as well as environmental laboratory testing (water, dialysate), to provide UMMC’s dialysis clinics with professional laboratory results. The ESRD and environmental laboratory testing cannot be performed by UMMC’s Clinical Laboratory. The Board also approved the request to allow the institution to add and/or remove tests as needed, as long as it does not increase the approved expenditure level. The term of the agreement shall be three (3) years, from April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2025. The total estimated cost of the three (3) year agreement is \$925,000. Beginning in Year 2, UMMC has included a fifteen percent (15%) annual increase for price increases and potential volume growth. Beginning in year two (2), Ascend shall increase prices up to two- and one-half percent (2.5%). The agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
10. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend the Services Agreement with Comprehensive CV Services LLC (CV Services) for cardiac surgery support staffing, to add one (1) additional full time cardiac thoracic first assistant (FA) for floor rounding, consultation visits, and operating room coverage during normal operating hours. The purpose of this agreement is to provide operating room and floor coverage for cardiac surgery support services. An important element of the services required is the ability of CV Services to provide an experienced assistant able to harvest saphenous vein used in coronary artery bypass grafts. The term of the amended Agreement remains three (3) years, from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024. After the initial term of one (1) year, the Agreement shall automatically renew for two (2) successive one (1) year terms. The First Amendment will become effective March 1, 2022 and remain in effect until the Agreement’s expiration. The total cost of the amended Agreement is \$1,925,000. The First Amendment will add an additional \$6,250 per month, or \$780,000, for the remainder of the three (3) year term. The contract will be funded by patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
11. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter an Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement and Fixed Periodic Payment Schedule (GI Lease) and an Equipment Service Agreement (GI ESA). The GI Lease is for the lease of endoscopes, bronchoscopes, monitors, workstations, and accessories for gastric and pulmonary diagnostic procedures. The scopes are used for the diagnosis of digestive and broncho-pulmonary disorders. Under the GI ESA, Olympus will provide service on the leased scopes and twenty-five (25) UMMC-owned scopes. The Board also approved the request for the institution to amend the Lease and ESA to add and/or remove the individual scopes and other equipment without prior Board approval, so long as adequate funds are available. The term of the Restated and Amended Master Lease Agreement is five (5) years beginning the date it is signed by both parties, which is expected to be on or about February 21, 2022, and ends February 20, 2027, or when the expiration of all lease schedules, whichever occurs last.

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The terms of the GI Lease and GI ESA are thirty-six (36) months each, from April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2025. The total cost of the GI Lease and GI ESA over the three (3) year term is \$2,150,000. UMMC has also included potential costs of retained loaned scopes, as well as additional shipping charges that may apply. This agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

12. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter an Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement and Fixed Periodic Payment Schedule (OR Lease) and an Equipment Service Agreement (OR ESA) with Olympus America, Inc. (Olympus). The OR Lease is for the lease of products such as endoscopes, bronchoscopes, colonoscopes, monitors, workstations, and accessories for the equipment for gastric and pulmonary procedures. The scopes are used to provide the visual field for surgical procedures on adult patients with variable gastric and pulmonary diseases. Under the OR Lease, UMMC will trade in sixteen (16) UMMC-owned scopes that are at or beyond end of life. Under the OR ESA, Olympus will provide service on the leased scopes. The Board also approved the request for the institution to amend the Lease and ESA to add and/or remove individual scopes and other equipment without prior Board approval, so long as adequate funds are available. The term of the Restated and Amended Master Lease Agreement is five (5) years beginning the date it is signed by both parties, which is expected to be on or about February 21, 2022, and ends February 20, 2027, or when the expiration of all lease schedules, whichever occurs last. The term of the OR Lease will begin the date the agreement is executed by both parties, which is expected to be on or about February 21, 2022, and will expire three (3) years after acceptance of all equipment. The last piece of equipment is expected to be received on or about April 18, 2022, for an expiration date of April 17, 2025. The term of the OR ESA is three (3) years, from March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2025. The total cost of the OR Lease and OR ESA over the three (3) year term is \$1,550,000. UMMC has also included potential costs of retained loaned scopes, as well as additional shipping charges that may apply. This agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
13. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Pricing Supplement 5438400 (Pricing Supplement) with Omnicell, Inc. (Omnicell). The Pricing Supplement is for the purchase of automated pharmacy dispensing cabinets, training and support services for UMMC Grenada. The automated pharmacy dispensing cabinets and technology include the ability to secure and dispense Schedule II-V narcotics while providing real time data of the dispensing and administration of these events. This data allows all transactions to be efficiently monitored to ensure the appropriate closed loop of all scheduled medication transactions. The degree of real time data is unique in the marketplace and is a necessary tool for monitoring for any potential diversion. The term of the Corporate Master Agreement began March 26, 2018 and will remain in effect for so long as a Pricing Supplement, Schedule, attachment, and/or exhibit remains in effect. Schedule G to the Corporate Master Agreement is for a term of five (5) years, from March 26, 2018, through March 25, 2023. The total term of Pricing Supplement 5438400 is approximately one (1)

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year and eight (8) months, from March 1, 2022, through one (1) year from the date of installation of the equipment, which is anticipated to be approximately November 30, 2022. The Support Services will commence upon installation of the equipment and extend for one (1) year. Installation is anticipated begin in September 2022 and be completed in November 2022. The total cost of the Pricing Supplement is \$625,000. This amount includes equipment purchases of \$578,220.00, equipment and software support services of \$13,764.00, and shipping of \$11,076.65. This agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

14. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Master Services Agreement and a Pandemic Supply Storage Schedule with Owens and Minor Distribution, Inc. (O&M). The Master Services Agreement establishes the general business and legal terms for future schedules between the parties. The Pandemic Supply Storage Schedule is for storage and logistics services for UMMC-owned personal protective equipment (PPE) supplies. O&M supplies temperature-controlled warehouse space and logistics services for a large volume of PPE supplies, which ensure a constant supply of PPE and eliminates the need for UMMC to store the products at UMMC. The term of the Master Services Agreement is five (5) years, from March 1, 2022, through February 28 2027. The term of the Pandemic Supply Storage Schedule is five (5) years, from March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2027. The total estimated cost over the five (5) year term is \$1,450,000. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a two percent (2%) increase for potential price and volume increases. The agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
15. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend the Product Schedule 1002559 (Schedule) with Roche Diagnostics Corporation (Roche) to add new reagent test kits to the Schedule and a purchase commitment for the new reagent test kits. The Schedule is for the lease of one Roche 6800 laboratory instrument, the purchase of reagents and supplies needed for diagnostic testing on the leased equipment and owned equipment, service for both instruments, and training. The instruments and associated reagents and disposables are used to perform molecular tests such as COVID-19, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Hepatitis B Virus (HBV), Hepatitis C Virus (HCV), Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), and Cytomegalovirus (CMV) viral load/polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing, allowing physicians to diagnose, treat, and monitor patients as they move through the disease process. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove products under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as it does not increase the approved expenditure level. The amendment does not change the term of the Product Schedule. It remains six (6) years and four (4) months, from December 1, 2020, through five (5) years after date of installation/validation of the last piece of equipment. The installation/validation is expected to be on or about March 1, 2022. The term of the Enterprise Agreement began May 21, 2020 and will continue through the last expiration of a valid Schedule. The total amended cost over the term is \$12,925,000. The total cost of the original Schedule was \$6,600,000. The first amendment will add \$6,325,000 to the total amended cost. This includes a fifteen percent (15%) annual increase

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in supply costs and potential patient volume growth, beginning in year three (3) of the agreement. The agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

16. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Services Agreement with Sellers Dorsey & Associates, LLC (Sellers Dorsey) for strategic consulting services in connection with the ongoing operation, maintenance, and maximization of the Mississippi Medicaid Access to Physician Services (MS MAPS) Program, previously referred to as the Medicaid Managed Care Physician Supplemental Payment Program. MS MAPS is a Medicaid directed payment program that increases reimbursement rates for UMMC’s providers that treat Mississippi Medicaid beneficiaries. The total term of the Agreement is seven (7) years and four (4) months, from March 1, 2022, through June 30, 2029. Sellers Dorsey shall provide services for the state fiscal years 2023-2027. As payments to Sellers Dorsey are based on a contingency fee of the new federal funds generated for UMMC from participation in the MS MAPS Program, the additional two (2) years of the contract term will allow UMMC to receive the funds and pay Sellers Dorsey the applicable fee. The estimated total cost over the seven (7) year and four (4) month term is \$2,800,000. Under the agreement, UMMC pays Sellers Dorsey a contingency fee of 2.5% of the new federal funds generated for UMMC from participation in the MS MAPS Program, as well as travel expenses. UMMC has included an annual growth rate of five percent (5%) to account for possible changes in the amount of new federal funds received from the MS MAPS program during the term. The agreement will be funded by patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
17. **UMMC** – Approved the request to increase the funding for the current Consulting Services Agreement with Sellers Dorsey & Associates, LLC (Sellers Dorsey). The agreement is for Sellers Dorsey to design the Medicaid Managed Care Physician Supplemental Payment Program (commonly referred to as the Mississippi Medicaid Access to Physician Services (MS MAPS Program), assist in obtaining federal approval for the program, and aid in implementing the program by targeting physician practices affiliated with UMMC. The MS MAPS Program allows UMMC to maximize federal Medicaid payments for physician payments occurring through Medicaid Managed Care. The term of the amended agreement remains unchanged at four (4) years and four (4) months, from March 1, 2018, through June 30, 2022. The new estimated total cost over the four (4) year and four (4) month term is \$4,550,000. The original estimated cost was \$3,834,414. UMMC anticipates the need for an additional \$715,586. Under the agreement, UMMC pays Sellers Dorsey a contingency fee of 4.75% of the new federal funds generated for UMMC from participation in the MS MAPS Program, as well as travel expenses. The agreement will be funded by patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

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18. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Master Agreement and a Product Agreement with Therakos, Inc. (Therakos) for the purchase of the Therakos Photopheresis Procedural Kits and solutions to use with UMMC’s CELLEX System. Photopheresis, also known as Extracorporeal Photopheresis (ECP), is an immune modulation therapy that was approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the palliative treatment of the skin manifestations of Cutaneous T-Cell Leukemia (CTCL). The CELLEX System will allow UMMC to continue its established adult and pediatric photopheresis programs. The Board also approved the request for the institution to amend the agreement to add and/or remove products without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is three (3) years and seven (7) days, from March 23, 2022, through March 31, 2025. The total estimated cost over the three (3) year term is \$1,725,000. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a twenty percent (20%) increase for potential product price and patient volume changes. The agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

REAL ESTATE

19. **USM** – Approved the initiation of GS 108-302, Science Research Facility, and the appointment of Eley Guild Hardy Architects, P.A., as the design professional. The exact scope of work is not known yet. The design professional will assist the University in determining the project scope and budget. The University will return to the Board at a future meeting to clarify the scope of the project. The proposed project budget is \$750,000. Funds are available from SB 2971, Laws of 2021, (\$750,000).
20. **UM** – Approved the appointment of McCarty Architects, P.A., as the design professional for IHL 207-473, Ole Miss Softball Complex Renovation project. The project will renovate the existing Complex to address site issues and programmatic deficiencies. Site issues include limited parking, drainage problems, and ADA accessibility compliance. Programmatic needs include additional concessions, additional restrooms, and permanent Radio/TV Production/Broadcast support. The existing seating is also in need of cosmetic and structural upgrades. The design professional will assist the University in determining the project scope and budget; and produce design/construction documents for the scope determined. Initially, funds will be used for design only. The University will submit a subsequent Board agenda item at a later date to increase the budget as required to reflect the established scope of work. The proposed project budget is \$1,500,000. Funds are available from UM Athletics / OMAF Foundation (\$1,500,000).
21. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-475, Upgrade HVAC Controls, J.D. Williams Library Building, and the appointment of Engineering Resource Group, Inc. as the design professional. The upgrades are necessary to fully implement the ASHRAE guidelines for COVID-19 risk mitigation in the building’s HVAC system. Risk mitigation includes increasing outside air intake, time and occupancy-based ventilation scheduling, and more precise control over temperature and humidity levels throughout the building. The proposed project budget is \$1,200,000. Funds are available from HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds) III (\$1,200,000).

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22. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-476, Upgrade HVAC Controls, Natural Products and Faser Hall, and the appointment of Design Build and Engineering Services, LLC as the design professional. The project will upgrade the existing pneumatic HVAC and laboratory exhaust system controls in Natural Products (Phase I) and Faser Hall to direct digital controls and to replace existing heating water coils throughout the buildings. The upgrades are necessary to correct severe pressure imbalance issues within the two facilities, restore proper outside air intake and ventilation in all spaces, and provide more precise control over temperature and humidity levels within the laboratories and vivarium areas. The proposed project budget is \$2,900,000. Funds are available from HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds) III (\$2,900,000).
23. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-477, Ole Miss Soccer Complex Renovation to address programmatic deficiencies and upgrade patron amenities. Programmatic needs include additional concessions, additional restrooms (patron & team), a larger press box, a new ticket office, and direct access to parking. The existing seating will be upgraded to include shade for existing seating, a new student seating area, and a new shaded standing room only area. The exact scope of work is not known yet. Initially, funds will be used for design fees only. The University will submit a subsequent item to the Board to appoint the design professional. The proposed project budget is \$1,500,000. Funds are available from UM Athletics / OMAF Foundation (\$1,500,000).
24. **MSU** – Approved the request to deed a 4.84-acre parcel of land located in the research park to 4-County for a substation to be constructed on which will provide power for the University’s High Performance Computer Network Data Center (IHL Project #205-210). Additionally, the Board waived Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate Management which requires an institution acquiring or disposing of real property to obtain two appraisals. The following property description is based on the Mississippi State Plane Coordinate System, East Zone, NAD 83, grid values, US Feet, using a scale factor of 0.99995021776 and a grid to geodetic azimuth angle of (+)00° 01' 29.8" seconds developed at the approximate center of the following described tract. Commencing at a found 1”x1” Square metal tube designated “Sta. 47” at the Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 19 North, Range 14 East, Oktibbeha County, Mississippi; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 460.03 feet to a point; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 5887.42 feet to a set ½” rebar, said point being the Point of Beginning of the herein described tract; thence South 68 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 390.00 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 170.11 feet, a radius of 2249.87 feet, a chord bearing of North 25 degrees 45 minutes 38 seconds West and a chord length of 170.07 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 86.02 feet, a radius of 2249.87 feet, a chord bearing of North 22 degrees 29 minutes 57 seconds West and a chord length of 86.02 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 36.28 feet, a radius of 2249.87 feet, a chord bearing of North 20 degrees 56 minutes 31 seconds West and a chord length of 36.28 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 102.46 feet, a radius of 806.90 feet, a chord bearing of North 19 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds West and a chord length 102.39 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 79.23 feet, a radius of

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240.59 feet, a chord bearing of North 05 degrees 19 minutes 59 seconds West and a chord length of 78.87 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence along a curve to the right with an arc length of 97.69 feet, a radius of 124.56 feet, a chord bearing of North 39 degrees 36 minutes 33 seconds East and a chord length of 95.20 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence North 60 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 300.00 feet to a set ½” rebar; thence South 21 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds East a distance of 560.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4.84 acres, more or less, and lying in the Southwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 19 North, Range 14 East, Oktibbeha County, Mississippi. The 4.84 parcel of land on which the substation will be located will be deeded to 4-County. In consideration of the transfer of ownership, 4-County will construct a substation for the benefit of MSU. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) is not required. A copy of the property description and all legal documentation are on file with the IHL Office of Real Estate and Facilities. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.

25. **USM** – Approved the request to delete Building #808 Roberts Hall in Hattiesburg, MS from inventory. The building was constructed in 1968 to serve as a women’s residence hall. It is a 6 story, double-loaded corridor, and 44,028 gross square feet in size. The building has been vacant since 2010 and is in a state of disrepair. The demolition of this facility will provide green space, future expansion, or most likely a 38-space parking lot. The approval letter has been received from the Mississippi Department of Archives and History stating Building #808 (Roberts Hall) is not eligible for designation as a Mississippi Landmark. All legal documentation will be kept on file in the IHL Office of Real Estate and Facilities.
26. **USM** – Approved the lease amendment with Chromis Fiberobtics, Inc., a corporation registered in Mississippi and located at 6 Powder Horn Drive, Warren, NJ 07059 (Company). The Company will lease Space No. 134 and 141 of approximately 359 square feet in addition to their current Laboratory Space No. 133 of approximately 614 square feet, totaling to 973 square feet in USM’s Accelerator building. The one-year initial term is for four one-year renewal terms. This is a revenue generating lease agreement. The total annual rent will increase to \$28,440. Total rent for the remaining term of the lease and renewal terms, if any, is \$142,200. The Accelerator building was constructed with federal grant funds. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.
27. **USM** – Approved the lease amendment with Oxiteno USA LLC, a Texas limited liability company with a registered address at 9801 Bay Area Blvd., Pasadena, TX 77507 (Company). Amendment Three extends the term of the contract from a two-year initial term with three (3) one-year renewal terms to a two-year initial term with eight (8) one-year renewal terms, for a total of 10 years. This is a revenue generating lease agreement. The total annual rent is increased to \$129,240.50 for Amendment Three. The total rent for the remaining term of the lease and renewal terms, if any, is \$646,202.50. The Accelerator building was constructed with federal grant funds. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.

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28. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, LLP, as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting the University with intellectual property matters. The term of the contract is one-year effective March 1, 2022. The blended hourly rate for attorneys is \$315 and \$95 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$75,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$50,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$100,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.
29. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Brunini Grantham Grower and Hewes, PLLC as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting the University with general construction, architectural, and real property-related matters. The term of the contract is one-year effective March 19, 2022. The blended hourly rate for attorneys is \$300. Other hourly rates are \$125 per hour for Marena Gray, a paralegal specializing in construction, and \$100 per hour for all other paralegal services. The maximum amount payable under this agreement is \$50,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$15,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$30,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.
30. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting the University with intellectual property matters specifically in the areas of patents, analysis of intellectual property, prosecution of patent applications, trademark registration applications, copyright registration applications, preparing and negotiating agreements and other related intellectual property and commercialization issues. The term of the contract is one-year effective April 17, 2022 through April 16, 2023. The hourly rates are \$250 for partners/shareholders, \$190 for associate attorneys and \$120 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$75,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$5,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$5,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.
31. **MSU** – Approved the request to renew a contract with the law firm of Jones Walker, LLP as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting and advising the University on legal issues concerning the review of strategic financing options, tax-exempt bond arbitrage, rebate compliance and the use of bond-financed building and other matters relating to bond issues. The term of the contract renewal is one-year effective March 19, 2022. The hourly rates are \$165 for Special Counsel, \$225 for Partners and \$60 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$50,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$50,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$100,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.
32. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Quarles and Brady, LLP as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting the University with intellectual property matters specifically in the area of patents, analysis of intellectual property, prosecution of patent applications, trademark registration applications, copyright registration applications, preparing and negotiating agreements and other related intellectual property and commercialization issues. The term of the contract is one-year

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effective March 17, 2022 through March 16, 2023. The blended hourly rate for all attorneys is \$400 and \$200 for paralegal services. To help manage per-project costs, the University may also pay the Attorney/Law Firm on a flat-rate basis for preparing and filing patent applications. Flat-rate filings for provisional patent applications will not exceed \$5,000 per filing and flat-rate filings for non-provisional applications will not exceed \$15,000 per filing. The maximum amount payable under the term of this contract is \$75,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$50,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$100,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.

33. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with Ware|Immigration as outside counsel to perform services necessary in preparing labor certification documents on behalf of the University for its employees who seek permanent residence status and related immigration matters. The term of the contract is one-year effective March 21, 2022 through March 20, 2023. The fees for these services are set out in the fee schedule below. All services not included in the below fee schedule will be provided at the following hourly rates: David Ware, \$350; Partners, \$250; Associates, \$175; and Paralegals, \$100, with a maximum amount payable of \$50,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$3,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$3,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.

Schedule of Legal Fees for Academia

Nonimmigrant Petitions and Processes

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| H-1B petition | \$2,250.00* |
| H-1B extension or amendment petitions (we handled original petition) | \$2,250.00* |
| H-1B withdrawal | \$200.00 |
| H-4 EAD (Employee may pay) | \$750.00 |
| *additional legal fee of up to \$2,500 may apply for substantive requests for evidence | |
| TN petition or border/consulate processing | \$2,250.00 |
| TN extension petition (we handled original) | \$2,250.00 |
| E-3 petition or consular processing | \$2,250.00 |
| E-3 extension petition (we handled original) | \$2,250.00 |
| O-1 petition | \$4,250.00 |
| O-1 extension or amendment petition (we handled original) | \$3,000.00 |
| J-1 waiver (IGA or hardship) | \$6,000.00 |
| J-1 waiver (Conrad) | \$6,000.00 |
| J-1 waiver (no objection) | \$1,500.00 |
| I-539 Fee for Dependents (Employee may pay) | \$750.00 |

Permanent Residence Process with Labor Certification: Faculty

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| Special Handling labor certification | \$3,000.00 |
| (If position must be readvertised) | \$2,500.00 |
| Additional fee if audited | \$500-1,500.00 |
| Immigrant petition (I 140) | \$2,500.00 |

Permanent Residence Process with Labor Certification: Non-Faculty

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| Labor certification | \$5,000.00 |
| Additional fee if audited | \$500-1,500.00 |
| Additional fee if subject to supervised recruitment | \$2,500.00 |
| Immigrant petition | \$2,500.00 |

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Permanent Residence Process: Outstanding Professors and Researchers
Immigrant petition \$6,000.00

Permanent Residence Process: National Interest Waiver
Immigrant petition \$6,000.00
NIW or OP/OR RFE or NOID: case by case determination up to \$2,500.00

Adjustment of Status (any Employment-Based Permanent Residence Matter)
Adjustment of status (AOS) and related applications (I-765, I-131, etc.), principal \$2,500.00
“Standalone” AOS and related applications, principal \$3,000.00
Adjustment of status and related applications, spouse, if together with principal application and I 140 \$1,500.00
Adjustment of status of each child, concurrent with I 140 \$1,000.00
“Standalone” adjustment of status, spouse (not concurrent with I-140) \$2,000.00
“Standalone” adjustment of status, child \$2,000.00
Reschedule biometrics appointment \$150.00
Reschedule adjustment of status interview \$150.00
I 485 J (standalone cases) \$1,500.00

Employment Authorization and Advance Parole Renewal
Employment Authorization Renewal per individual \$500.00
Advance Parole Renewal per individual \$500.00

34. **USM** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Nelson Law PLLC, as outside counsel to perform services as necessary and render legal advice in the practice areas of commercial matters, contracts, real property, general administrative matters, higher education law, employment law, constitutional law, federal law and regulations, compliance, general legal advice, and litigation related to any of such activities. The term of the agreement is approximately sixteen months from February 18, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The hourly rate is \$165 for attorneys and \$85 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$30,000 for the term of the agreement. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$2,000,000. This request has been approved by the Attorney General.
35. **MVSU** – Approved Dameon Shaw as the university’s legislative liaison in accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity

PERSONNEL REPORT

36. **Employment**

Jackson State University

Josiah J. Sampson, III; Vice President for Enrollment Management and Associate Professor of Biology; salary \$165,000 per annum, pro-rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective January 18, 2022

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Brenda Rowe; *hired with tenure*; Director and Professor of Criminal Justice; School of Criminal Justice, Forensic Science and Security; salary of \$143,750 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1, 2022

37. **Change of Status**

Delta State University

- Beverly M. Moon; *from* Dean of Graduate and Continuing Studies; salary \$137,136 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* Associate Provost; salary \$137,136 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective March 1, 2022
- James Gerald; *from* Honors Program Director; salary \$65,479 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* Dean of Graduate and Honors Studies; salary \$74,479 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective March 1, 2022

University of Mississippi

Donna Strum; *from* Interim Dean of the School of Pharmacy; salary of \$213,210 per annum; pro rata; E&G Funds; *to* Dean of the School of Pharmacy; salary of \$340,000 per annum; pro rata; E&G Funds; twelve-month contract; effective February 18, 2022

38. **Sabbatical**

Mississippi State University

- Thomas Casey Barickman; Associate Research Professor of Plant and Soil Sciences; *from* salary of \$101,060.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,897.47 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Christopher Paul Brooks; Associate Professor of Biological Sciences; *from* salary of \$75,827.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,913.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Matthew W. Brown; Associate Professor of Biological Sciences; *from* salary of \$80,000.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$40,000.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- James A. Chamberlain; Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Administration; *from* salary of \$75,838.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,919.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Renee M. Clary; Professor of Geosciences; *from* salary of \$89,726.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$44,863.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development

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- Christopher M. Fuhrmann; Associate Professor of Geosciences; *from* salary of \$71,567.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$35,783.50 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Jacob Alan Gines; Associate Professor of Architecture; *from* salary of \$75,949.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,974.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Alicia Anne Hall; Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion; *from* salary of \$68,350.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$34,175.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Alexandra Hui; Associate Professor of History; *from* salary of \$78,370.000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$39,185.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Kecia Renee Johnson; Associate Professor of Sociology; *from* salary of \$77,660.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$38,830.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Kartono Liano; Professor of Finance and Economics; *from* salary of \$159,247.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$79,623.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Andrew Finley Lang; Associate Professor of History; *from* salary of \$78,589.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$39,294.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Beth Richardson Miller; Professor of Interior Design Program; *from* salary of \$140,000.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12 -month contract; *to* salary of \$52,499.97 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Barton Moffatt; Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion; *from* salary of \$70,000.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$35,000.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Kelly Moser; Associate Professor of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures; *from* salary of \$71,043.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$35,521.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Anthony Sean Neal; Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion; *from* salary of \$68,350.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$34,175.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development

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- Julia Osman; Associate Professor of History; *from* salary of \$83,586.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$41,793.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Prakash N. Patil; Professor of Mathematics and Statistics; *from* salary of \$98,932.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$49,466.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Catherine Pierce; Professor of English; *from* salary of \$76,475.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$38,237.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Edward Potter; Associate Professor of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures; *from* salary of \$59,448.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$29,724.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- John Joseph Riggins; Professor of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, and Plant Pathology; *from* salary of \$104,985.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* salary of \$39,369.38 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Chartrisa LaShan Simpson; Associate Professor of Agricultural and Biological Engineering; *from* salary of \$106,106.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Restricted Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$53,053.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Restricted Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- John Edward Swan II; Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; *from* salary of \$134,871.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$67,435.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Christopher A. Snyder; Professor of Shackouls Honors College; *from* salary of \$124,608.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$62,304.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Courtney E. Thompson; Assistant Professor of History; *from* salary of \$71,014.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$35,507.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Gregory John Twietmeyer; Associate Professor of Kinesiology; *from* salary of \$73,752.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$36,876.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Ryan Walker; Associate Professor of Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education; *from* salary of \$71,871.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$35,935.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development

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- Kimberly Michelle Wood; Assistant Professor of Geosciences; *from* salary of \$67,234.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$33,617.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Tung-Lung Wu; Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics; *from* salary of \$85,122.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G and Designated Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$42,561.00 for sabbatical period; E&G and Designated Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Jianzhong Xu; Professor of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Foundations; *from* salary of \$93,468.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$46,734.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Chien Yu; Professor of Instructional Systems and Workforce Development; *from* salary of \$86,231.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$43,115.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023; professional development
- Fei Yu; Professor of Agricultural and Biological Sciences; *from* salary of \$110,409.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$55,205.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Li Zhang; Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering; *from* salary of \$111,190.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$55,595.00 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2022 to May 15, 2023; professional development

Mississippi University for Women

- Nora Corrigan; Professor of English; salary \$57,524 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 10, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Erin Kempker; Professor of History; salary \$73,500 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 11-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 9, 2023 to May 8, 2023; professional development
- Carmen Osburn; Professor of Music; salary \$62,950 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 10, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Jiben Roy; Professor of Science; salary \$60,935 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 10, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development

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- Anne Cafer; Assistant Professor of Sociology and Director, Center for Population Studies; salary \$73,727 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development (Contingent on being awarded tenure by July 1.)
- Kate Centellas; Croft Associate Professor of Anthropology; salary \$71,824 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Yunhee Chang; Professor of Nutrition and Hospitality Management; salary \$88,088 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Jeremy Clark; Associate Professor of Mathematics; salary \$74,414 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Stephen Fafulas; Assistant Professor of Modern Languages; salary \$58,210 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development (Contingent on being awarded tenure by July 1.)
- Beth Ann Fennelly; Professor of English; *from* salary \$116,592 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$58,296 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023 and August 18, 2023 (or start of contract date) to December 31, 2023; professional development
- Melissa Ginsburg; Associate Professor of English and Creative Writing; *from* salary \$71,151 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$35,575 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022 and January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Tamar Goulet; Professor of Biology; salary \$99,386 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Jaime Harker; Director of the Isom Center and Professor of English; salary \$128,158 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Elliot Hutchcraft; Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering; *from* salary \$107,603 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$53,801 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023 and August 18, 2023 (or start of contract date), to December 31, 2023; professional development
- Philip Jackson; Professor of Art; salary \$76,309 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development

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- Jonah Jurss; Associate Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry; salary \$80,484 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Laurel Lambert; Associate Professor Nutrition and Hospitality Management; salary \$77,399 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Gregory Love; Professor of Political Science; salary \$90,574 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Robert Magee; Associate Professor of Integrated Marketing Communication; salary \$81,267 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Micah Milinovich; Professor of Mathematics; salary \$89,255 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Jon Moen; Professor of Economics; salary \$120,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Deborah Mower; Associate Professor of Philosophy and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hume Bryant Lectureship in Ethics; salary \$104,802 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Brice Noonan; Acting Chair and Associate Professor of Biology; salary \$81,412 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Thomas Peattie; Associate Professor of Music; salary \$66,773 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Susan Pedigo; Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry; salary \$106,169 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Corina Petrescu; Professor of Modern Languages; salary \$78,777 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- David Rutherford; Associate Professor of Public Policy Leadership; salary \$71,112 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development

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- Marc Slattery; Professor of Pharmacognosy and Environmental Toxicology in BioMolecular Sciences, Research Professor in the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Director of NIUST; salary \$174,759 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Kristen Swain; Associate Professor of Journalism; salary \$79,825 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Christina Torbert; Head of Continuing Resources and Associate Professor; salary \$71,814 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Nicholas Trepanier; Associate Professor of Middle East History; salary \$76,144 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Jeffrey Watt; Cook Chair and Professor of History; salary \$124,905 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Noell Wilson; Chair of History and Croft Associate Professor of History and International Studies; *from* salary \$106,981 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* salary \$40,117 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022 and January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Zhini Zeng; Associate Professor of Chinese; *from* salary \$64,355 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$32,177 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022 and January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development
- Likun Zhang; Assistant Professor of Physics and Astronomy; *from* salary \$73,540 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$36,770 per annum, pro rata during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 18, 2022 to December 31, 2022 and January 23, 2023 to May 13, 2023; professional development (Contingent on being awarded tenure by July 1.)

University of Southern Mississippi

- Maarten Buijsman; Associate Professor of Marine Science; *from* salary of \$76,827 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$38,413.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Christopher Foley; Assistant Professor of Coastal Resilience; *from* salary of \$51,700 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$25,850 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 15, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development

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- Monika Gehlawat; Professor of English; *from* salary of \$76,542 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$38,271 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Tammy Greer; Associate Professor of Psychology; *from* salary of \$72,720 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$36,360 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Yan-Lin Guo; Professor of Cell and Molecular Biology; *from* salary of \$75,689 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,844.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 15, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Joohee Lee; Professor of Social Work; *from* salary of \$76,647 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$38,323.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 15, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- K. Alisa Lowrey; Professor of Special Education; *from* salary of \$74,477 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,238.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 15, 2022 to December 31, 2022; professional development
- Rebecca Tuuri; Associate Professor of History; *from* salary of \$64,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$32,000 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Alexandra Valint; Associate Professor of English; *from* salary of \$64,500 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$32,250 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Steven Venette; Professor of Communication Studies; *from* salary of \$74,749 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$37,374.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 15, 2022 to May 12, 2023; professional development
- Matthew Ward; Associate Professor of Anthropology and Sociology; *from* salary of \$66,393 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$33,196.50 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 2, 2023 to May 12, 2023; professional development

39. **Tenure**

Mississippi State University

Janice Nicholson; *promotion to* Professor and Head of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education; salary \$130,000.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective January 1, 2022

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

40. **MSU** – Approved the request to bestow two honorary degrees at its 2022 commencement ceremonies. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.

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41. **MUW** – Approved the request to bestow one honorary degree at its 2022 Spring commencement ceremony and one honorary degree at its 2022 Summer commencement ceremony. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.
42. **USM** – Approved the request to bestow one honorary degree at one of its May 2022 commencement ceremonies. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.

REGULAR AGENDAS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Presented by Trustee Steven Cunningham, Chair

On motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee McNair, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Academic Affairs Agenda. On motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Martin, with Trustee Cummings absent and not voting and with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #2.

1. **MSU** – Approved the requests to add new academic units as follows:
 - a. Proposed Unit Title: Department of Building Construction Science
Unit Location: College of Architecture, Art and Design
Effective Date: February 2022
 - b. Proposed Unit Title: Department of Interior Design
Unit Location: College of Architecture, Art and Design
Effective Date: February 2022
2. **USM** – Approved the request to add the following new center:
Center Name – University College
Unit Location: USM Gulf Park campus
Scope: Limited Scope and Outreach
Type: Type 2 (Student, Faculty, or Community Service)
Effective Date: February 2022

FINANCE AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Tom Duff, Chair

On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Martin, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Finance Agenda. Trustee Gee Ogletree recused himself from discussing or voting on item #2 on the Finance Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustee Ogletree absent and not voting and with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #2. Trustee Ogletree returned to the room following the discussion and vote on item #2 on the Finance Agenda.

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1. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Master Services Agreement and a Primary Distribution Services Schedule with Owens and Minor Distribution, Inc. (O&M). The Master Services Agreement establishes the general business and legal terms for future schedules between the parties. The Primary Distribution Services Schedule is for the purchase and distribution of medical/surgical products, as well as related hospital consumable supplies, capital equipment, and non-traditional medical-surgical goods, and special orders as needed. Under the Distribution Schedule, O&M will provide inventory management, Low Unit of Measure stock picking operations (LUM), and delivery services to UMMC hospitals and clinics. The Board also approved the request for the institution to amend the agreement to remove specific services provided by O&M under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the Master Services Agreement is five (5) years, from March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2027. The term of the Primary Distribution Services Schedule is five (5) years, from March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2027. The total estimated cost over the five (5) year term is \$337,425,000. Distribution service fees are a percentage of the purchase amount of medical/surgical supplies. The pass-through cost for item purchases, including medical/surgical supplies, hospital consumable supplies, capital equipment, and non-traditional medical surgical goods and special orders is estimated to be \$326,137,869 over the term. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a ten percent (10%) increase for potential price and volume increases. The agreement will be funded by hospital patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
2. **USM** – Approved the request to amend the existing contract with Aramark Educational Services, LLC to maintain uninterrupted food services on USM’s campus while helping mitigate revenue losses related to COVID-19 sales declines and continue to operate a fiscally strong dining program. The proposed amendment will defer monthly commission payments earned for calendar year 2022 and convert them into two lump sum payments without materially altering the total revenue earned by the University. The existing contract term is July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2030. The effective date of this amendment will be January 1, 2022. This is a revenue producing contract to USM. It is estimated that the University will receive approximately \$38.83 million in revenue benefits over the course of the 8-year extension. This averages out to approximately \$4.85M per year. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

REAL ESTATE AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Chip Morgan, Chair

Trustee Alfred McNair recused himself from discussing or voting on item #1 on the Real Estate Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Morgan, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee McNair absent and not voting and with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Real Estate Agenda.

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Trustee McNair returned to the room following the discussion and vote on item #1 on the Real Estate Agenda.

1. **UMMC** – Approved amendment #2 to the Medical Office Building Lease (Sublease) with Memorial Hospital at Gulfport (MHG) to extend the term an additional two (2) years. Under the Sublease, UMMC leases approximately 4,500 square feet of clinical space at 12259 Highway 49 in Gulfport, Mississippi, for use as a pediatric outpatient clinic. The term of the amended Sublease is seventy-one (71) months and five (5) days, from March 26, 2018, through February 29, 2024. The original Sublease term was twenty-three (23) months and five (5) days. Amendment No. 1 extended the term twenty-four (24) months and Amendment No. 2 extends the term for an additional twenty-four (24) months. The total estimated cost of the amended Sublease is \$855,868 over the extended term. The original lease and Amendment No. 1 were approved for a total cost of \$556,000. Effective March 1, 2022, UMMC’s base rent will be \$9,195.00 per month, plus an estimated \$57,188.35 in operating expense and \$13,000 in possible improvements. Operating expenses were estimated based on historical use averages at this location, with a three percent (3%) annual inflation adjustment. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board approved the request for the university to prepay the rent on the first day of each month. This agreement will be funded by patient revenue. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.

LEGAL AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Gee Ogletree, Chair

On motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Martin, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to move item #1 to the Executive Session Agenda. Trustee Gee Ogletree recused himself from discussing or voting on item #2 on the Legal Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Morgan, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustee Ogletree absent and not voting and with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Legal Agenda. Trustee Ogletree returned to the room following the discussion and vote on item #2 on the Legal Agenda.

1. **UMMC** – Settlement of Tort Claim No. 3018. **(THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONSIDERATION.)**
2. **JSU** – Pending approval by the Attorney General, the Board approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Butler Snow, LLP as outside counsel to perform services necessary in assisting the university with intellectual property and commercial matters. The term of the contract is 16-months effective March 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The hourly rate is \$295 for attorneys and \$95 for paralegal services until June 30, 2022, with an increase to \$135 for paralegals effective July 1, 2022 and thereafter. The maximum amount payable is \$75,000 for the term of the contract. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$20,000,000 per claim with an annual aggregate of \$40,000,000. This request is pending approval of the Attorney General.

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ADMINISTRATION/POLICY AGENDA

Presented by Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr.

1. **SYSTEM** – Election of Vice President of the Board of Trustees for the Term Beginning May 8, 2022. Commissioner Rankins opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board. Trustee Chip Morgan nominated Trustee Alfred McNair for the position. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

On motion by Trustee Morgan, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted in the affirmative, therefore, it was

RESOLVED, that Trustee Alfred McNair was elected Vice President of the Board beginning May 8, 2022.

INFORMATION AGENDAS

Presented by Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **JSU** – This intent to offer an existing degree program by distance learning is presented for information.
Program Title: Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Business Administration
Total credit hours: 121
CIP Code, Sequence: 52.0201, 5117
Cost to offer by distance learning: \$0
Effective date: February 2022
2. **SYSTEM** – The following intents to offer or modify certificate programs are presented for information.

Offer

- a. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Disaster Preparedness & Community Resilience Among Vulnerable Populations
Responsible academic units: Department of Psychology; Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Industrial Systems and Technology
Level: post-baccalaureate
Total credit hours: 18
CIP code: 43.0302
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- b. **UM** – Certificate program title: Academic Reform & Athletics Academic Success
Responsible academic unit: School of Applied Sciences
Level: post-baccalaureate
Total credit hours: 12

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CIP code: 31.0504

Effective date: January 2022

- c. **UM** – Certificate program title: Evidence-Based Policing & Reform
Responsible academic unit: Department of Criminal Justice & Legal Studies
Level: post-baccalaureate
Total credit hours: 12
CIP code: 43.0103
Effective date: January 2022

Modify

- d. **USM** – Current certificate program title: Software Development
Proposed certificate program title: Software Engineering
Responsible academic units: School of Computing Sciences & Computer Engineering
Level: pre-baccalaureate
Total credit hours: 18
CIP code: 11.0301, 8139
Effective date: August 2022

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- 3. **JSU** – The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services, as contracting agent for JSU, entered Amendment #2 to its Software License and Application Service Provider Agreement with Instructure, Inc. on behalf of Jackson State University (JSU). The amendment allows for an extended period of performance of the agreement in which JSU may purchase Services from Instructure, Inc. The Attorney General’s staff assigned to the MS-ITS reviewed the amendment prior to execution. The Software License and Application Service Provider Agreement is between Instructure and MS-ITS behalf of JSU.
- 4. **USM** – The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services, as contracting agent for USM, entered five (5)-year Software License and Managed Service Contract agreement with Instructure, Inc. for its Canvas Learning Management System for the University of Southern Mississippi (USM). Amendment #2 of the existing ITS contract provides for professional services, consulting, software, and maintenance services for a learning management system using the Canvas platform. The contract period will have an anticipated start date of 4/1/2022 and have an end date of 3/31/2027. The Attorney General’s staff assigned to the ITS will review and approve the agreement prior to its final execution by the ITS. The resulting agreement will be between Instructure, Inc., and ITS on behalf of USM. Documents are on file with the IHL Office of Finance.

REAL ESTATE

- 5. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Real Estate items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the January 20, 2022 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval. (See **Exhibit 1.**)

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6. **SYSTEM** – The Board received a report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel. (See Exhibit 2.)

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7. **SYSTEM** – The following items have been approved by the Commissioner on behalf of the Board and are available for review at the Board Office.
 - a. **ASU** - 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 February 2, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the budget revisions to the FY 2022 *Ayers* academic programs after conducting a review. It appears that these revisions were necessary to align 2022 budgets to individual program needs over the remaining months of the year. Per IHL *Ayers* administrative guidelines, the institutions are required to either report these revisions to the IHL Executive Office (i.e. self-approved revisions) or have certain proposed budgetary revisions pre-approved by the IHL Executive Office. One of the requested revisions does not fit under the pre-approval by the IHL Executive Office policy section of the guidelines. The IHL Executive Office financial and academic staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. These budget revisions contain no increases in total budget but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
 - b. **MSU** – On January 13, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a lease agreement between Mississippi State University (lessor) and MartinFederal Consulting, LLC (lessee) for 842.8 square feet of office space in the MSU’s High Performance Computing Building, and designated as Suite 101, including rooms 101-A, 101-B and 101-D. The term of the lease is three years effective April 1, 2022. Lessee will pay \$1.00 per year. In addition, MartinFederal will make necessary improvements as required to obtain top Secret (TS) clearance accreditation and, upon receiving accreditation, will maintain accreditation for the leased space by an authorizing agency to TS level for the remainder of the lease. After obtaining this accreditation, MSU will be able to use the lease space with 24 hours’ notice and coordination with MartinFederal for any work which must be performed in an accredited space. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the Agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
 - c. **MSU** – On January 13, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a Rental Agreement between Mississippi State University and Lewko Properties, LLC for the use of two buildings totaling 7,010 square feet located at 800 Louisville Street in Starkville, within which to store library materials that need to be archived and stored in a secure, climate-controlled environment. The term of the agreement is one-year effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, at an annual cost

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of \$37,205.60 to be prepaid in monthly installments due by the 5th day of each month. The Board previously approved similar 3-year and 5-year agreements with this vendor, the last of which expired on August 31, 2021. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.

- d. **MSU** – On January 13, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved Lease Agreement Addendum #7 between Mississippi State University and Houndstooth Commercial Properties, LLC for 2400 square feet of building space for use by the OSHA Consultation employees of MSU Industrial Health and Safety. The agreement was originally approved January 2013 and has been six times previously amended and extended. The current amendment extends the term of the agreement through January 31, 2023, with no increase in the current monthly rent of \$3,100. The monthly payments continue to require prepayment. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- e. **MVSU** - 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 February 2, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the budget revisions to the FY 2022 *Ayers* academic programs after conducting a review. It appears that these revisions were necessary to align 2022 budgets to individual program needs over the remaining months of the year. Per IHL *Ayers* administrative guidelines, the institutions are required to either report these revisions to the IHL Executive Office (i.e. self-approved revisions) or have certain proposed budgetary revisions pre-approved by the IHL Executive Office. The requested revisions do not fit under the pre-approval by the IHL Executive Office policy section of the guidelines. The IHL Executive Office financial and academic staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. These budget revisions contain no increases in total budget but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
- f. **UMMC** – On January 24, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved an Easement Agreement between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and the City of Jackson, Mississippi for the purpose of upgrading a JATLAN bus stop on land adjacent to UMMC’s Memorial Stadium property. This easement is non-exclusive and revocable by UMMC upon 60 days’ notice. It is for use by the general public over and across the identified property, by the City of Jackson and its agents, patrons, guests, invitees and licensees, for the purpose of installing, replacing, maintaining and operating a bus stop. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant

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with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.

- g. **UMMC** – On January 24, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a Lease Agreement between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and Tishomingo Health Services, Inc. d/b/a North Mississippi Medical Center – Iuka for approximately 1, 315 square feet of office and clinic space in the North Mississippi Medical Center – Iuka, MS to be used by physicians from the Children’s of Mississippi Tupelo Clinic one day per month. The Agreement is for an initial term of one year with four annual renewal periods effective February 1, 2022 through January 31, 2027. The cost is \$100 per month based on one 8-hour scheduled occupancy period in each calendar month, as set out specifically in Exhibit B to the Agreement, and payable at the beginning of each month. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- h. **UMMC** – On February 1, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a Lease Agreement between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and DOC-Grenada MOB, LLC for approximately 3, 000 square feet of space in the Grenada Medical Complex. The term of the Agreement is fifteen months beginning February 1, 2022, through April 30, 2023. The cost is \$23.21 per square foot, or \$5,802.50 per month, for the first four months with an increase of 2.5% beginning in month four, or \$5,947.56 per month. The estimated total for the 15-month term is \$99,500. Payment is required in advance at the beginning of each month. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- i. **UMMC** – On February 1, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a Rental Agreement between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and Pitney Bowes, Inc. for the rental of a postage meter at the Children’s of Mississippi Gulf Coast Clinic. The term of the Agreement is 60 months beginning on or about April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027, at a cost of \$60.57 per month as set out in Exhibit A of the Rental Agreement. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- j. **UMMC** – On February 1, 2022, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved a Rental Agreement between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and Pitney Bowes, Inc. for the rental of a postage meter at the Children’s of Mississippi Tupelo Clinic. The term of the Agreement is 60 months beginning on or about April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027, at a cost of \$60.57 per month as set out in Exhibit A of the Rental Agreement. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board

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Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.

**HEALTH AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE REPORT
Wednesday, February 16, 2022**

Committee members participated in the meeting in person or via Zoom. **In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this meeting were recorded by name in a rollcall. This was a regular monthly meeting of the Health Affairs Committee.** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Alfred McNair at approximately 3:00 p.m. The following items were discussed.

1. The Committee received an update on COVID-19 matters, discussed the monthly financial summary, and received a quarterly quality update. **No action was taken.**
2. Executive Session
On motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustees Cummings and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustees Luckey, Martin and Rader participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Duff, with Trustees Cummings and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustees Luckey, Martin and Rader participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter 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 Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Duff, with Trustees Cummings and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustees Luckey, Martin and Rader participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to open session.
3. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Morgan, with Trustees Cummings and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustees Luckey, Martin and Rader participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn.

The following Committee members were present: Dr. Alfred McNair (Chair), Dr. Steven Cunningham, Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Ms. Jeanne Luckey (via Zoom), Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Gregg Rader (via Zoom), and Dr. Walt Starr. Dr. Ormella Cummings and Mr. Hal Parker were absent.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

- President Starr announced the next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Discussion of a litigation matter at the University of Mississippi Medical School.

Discussion of a personnel matter at Delta State University.

Discussion of a potential litigation matter at the University of Southern Mississippi.

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

On motion by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the settlement of Tort Claim No. 3018 styled as *Lee Jarrell Davis vs. UMMC, et al.*, as recommended by counsel.

The Board discussed a personnel matter at Delta State University. **No action was taken.**

The Board discussed a potential litigation matter at the University of Southern Mississippi. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, 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 Martin, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustee Luckey participating via Zoom, 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 Real Estate items that were approved by the IHL Board staff subsequent to the January 20, 2022 Board meeting.
- Exhibit 2 Report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel.

EXHIBIT 1

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SYSTEM: REAL ESTATE ITEMS APPROVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE JANUARY 20, 2022 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 101-297 – TECHNOLOGY CLASSROOM BUILDING

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #11

Board staff approved Change Order #11 in the credit amount of \$8,875.23 and twenty-eight (28) additional days to the contract of Flagstar Construction Company.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 24, 2022

Change Order Description: Change Order #11 includes the following items: deleted the perimeter chain link fence; added power at the IT closets; added brick to the dumpster enclosure wall; deleted a yard rain; and twenty-eight 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: Eleven (11) change orders for a total amount of \$392,047.88.

Project Initiation Date: June 20, 2013

Design Professional: Allred Stolarski Architects, P. A.

General Contractor: Flagstar Construction Company

Total Project Budget: \$23,200,000.00

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

2. MSU- IHL 205-283 – ADDITION AND RENOVATION OF HUMPHREY COLISEUM

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$34,534,000.00 to the apparent low bidder, Thrash Commercial Contractors, Inc.

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Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, February 2, 2022

Project Initiation Date: June 16, 2018

Design Professional: Dale partners Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Thrash Commercial contractors, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$50,000,000.00

3. **MSU- IHL 205-291– NEW TRANSIT FACILITY**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #3

Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$15,187.28 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of J.T. Harrison Construction Co., Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 12, 2022

Change Order Description: Change Order #3 includes the following items: capped the abandoned sanitary lines and raised the manhole ring to cover the new elevation; added concrete paving/sidewalk at the existing building; installed MSU standard building identification monument signage; and credit issued for the geotechnical investigation from the new concrete paving area.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to latent job site conditions and user/owner requested modifications.

Approval Request #2: Change Order #4

Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$5,145.39 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of J.T. Harrison Construction Co., Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 20, 2022

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following items: installed additional interior signage.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Four (4) change orders for a total amount of \$279,392.69.

Project Initiation Date: April 18, 2019

Design Professional: Shafer-Zahner-Zahner

General Contractor: J. T. Harrison Construction Co., Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$4,950,000.00

4. **MSU- IHL 205-311 – TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROJECT COLLEGEVIEW CONNECTOR**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Neel Schaffer.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 14, 2022

Approval Request #2: Waiver Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Neel Schaffer.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 14, 2022

Project Initiation Date: May 20, 2021

Design Professional: Neel Schaffer

General Contractor: TBD

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Total Project Budget: \$1,750,000.00

5. MSU- IHL 205-312– LAKEVIEW DRIVE RELOCATION

Approval Request #1: Contract Documents

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Smithers Engineers

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 12, 2022

Approval Request #2: Advertise

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 12, 2022

Project Initiation Date: May 20, 2021

Design Professional: Smithers Engineers

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,900,000.00

6. MSU- IHL 205-317 – IED CNC LAB RENOVATION

Approval Request #1: Change Order #2

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$21,710.80 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Ethos Contracting Group, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 14, 2022

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following items: substituted trim and exposed brick for taking the gypsum wall board for the bottom of the deck; leveled the floor; substituted field painted flush wood doors instead of thermal flush fused doors; additional cable tray, hangars & accessories; omitted wood quarter round around the beams; added acoustic insulation to the south wall; and hung and finished the drywall around the window arches.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to latent job site conditions; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$66,747.733.

Project Initiation Date: July 18, 2021

Design Professional: Beard + Riser Architects, PLLC

General Contractor: Ethos Contracting Group, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$1,400,000.0

7. MSU- IHL 405-001– MUSIC BUILDING RE-BID

Approval Request #1: Change Order #5

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$26,334.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Mac's Construction Company, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 14, 2022

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following items: changed the light fixtures at the canopies from Type K to Type K1; and civil revisions.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; and latent job site conditions.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Five (5) change orders for a total amount of \$279,990.09.

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Project Initiation Date: May 18, 2017

Design Professional: Allred Stolarski Architects

General Contractor: Mac's Construction Company, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$21,000,000.00

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8. UM- IHL 207-474 – SOUTH OXFORD CENTER – 2ND FLOOR COSTUME & CRAFT SUITE

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by McCarty Architects, P.A.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 31, 2022

Approval Request #2: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by McCarty Architects, P.A.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 31, 2022

Project Initiation Date: January 20, 2022

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$1,178,790.00

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9. UMMC- IHL #209-577– EMERGENCY RESPONSE STATION – NORTH

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by JH&H Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 14, 2022

Project Initiation Date: March 2, 2021

Design Professional: JH&H Architects

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$1,250,000.00

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

10. GS 108-296 – KINESIOLOGY BUILDING RENOVATION

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Albert & Robinson Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 20, 2022

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Project Initiation Date: March 19, 2020
Design Professional: Albert & Robinson Architects
General Contractor: TBD
Total Project Budget: \$7,788,125.00

11. **IHL 210-248 – INVERTEBRATE GROWOUT II RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Re-Bid

Board staff approved the Re-Bid as the bid amounts were all over the stated budget.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, January 24, 2022

Project Initiation Date: November 15, 2018

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P. A.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$10,000,000.00

EXHIBIT 2

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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 12/21/21) from the funds of Alcorn State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$3,460.00, represents services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,460.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini, PLLC (statements dated 12/16/21 and 1/12/22) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$68.75 and \$137.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 206.25

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 1/1/22 and 1/1/22) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$125.00 and \$5,000.00, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,125.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by The Winfield Law Firm, P.A. (statements dated 12/17/21 and 1/20/22) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$3,041.00 and \$922.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,963.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini (statement dated 1/12/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$825.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 825.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 1/8/22, 1/14/22, 1/14/22 and 1/16/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,397.00, \$2,821.50, \$1,976.50 and \$560.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,755.50

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 7/1/21, 9/1/21, 10/1/21, 1/1/22, 1/1/22 and 1/1/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$39.42, \$23.60, \$39.46, \$4,500.00, \$70.17 and \$28.79, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certifications.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,701.44

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 11/15/21, 12/9/21, 12/15/21, 1/7/22, 1/7/22, 1/7/22, 1/16/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$7,611.00, \$45,029.92, \$143.25, \$442.50, \$1,699.00, \$251.00 and \$50,112.80, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 105,289.47

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Currie Johnson & Myers, P.A. (statement dated 12/7/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$2,822.52, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,822.52

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Gore Kilpatrick & Dambrino, PLLC (statements dated 12/28/21 and 12/28/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,188.00 and \$10,701.00, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 11,889.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Hagwood and Tipton, PC (statements dated 12/27/21, 12/27/21, 12/27/21, 12/27/21, 12/27/21, 12/27/21, 1/7/22, 1/7/22 and 1/12/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$411.20, \$1,584.00, \$609.10, \$2,446.20, \$3,630.00, \$1,297.20, \$330.00, \$335.00 and \$48.48, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 10,691.18

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Hogan Lovells, US, LLP (statements dated 12/17/21 and 1/26/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$4,950.50 and \$2,018.40, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 6,968.90

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Page, Kruger & Holland (statements dated 12/13/21 and 12/15/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$313.50 and \$2,242.50, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,556.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Steen Dalehite & Pace (statement dated 1/10/22) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$364.50, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 364.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins & Eager, PLLC (statements dated 12/1/21, 12/9/21, 12/14/21, 12/14/21, 12/22/21 and 12/22/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$9,272.76, \$481.50, \$99.20, \$132.00, \$714.45 and \$6,055.01, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 16,754.92

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 12/15/21 and 1/21/22) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$11,683.20 and \$11,263.30, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 22,946.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Caves & Caves, PLLC (statement dated 1/5/22) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$4,965.15, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,965.15

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 12/1/21, 12/1/21, 12/1/21, 1/1/22 and 1/1/22) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$52.63, \$2,250.00, \$70.17, \$140.75 and \$80.16, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certifications.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,593.71

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Wise Carter (statement dated 1/11/22) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$566.56, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 566.56

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 12/22/21, 12/22/21, 12/22/21, 12/30/21, 1/18/22 and 1/18/22) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: “Esterification and Bio Oil Upgrading” - \$123.50; “Therapeutics for Breathing Disorders” - \$254.00; “Live Attenuated Edwrdsiella Ictaluri Vaccine and Method of Using Same” - \$1,666.00; “IP and Regulatory Matters” - \$295.00; “Production of Biodiesel” - \$2,936.50; and “Recombinant Fimbrial Protein of Aeromonas Hydrophila as Vaccine in Catfish” - \$2,113.50, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,265.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy (statements dated 1/19/22 and 1/19/22) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: “Utilization of Oleaginous Microorganisms as an Oral Supplement for Animals” - \$700.00; and “Oleaginous Microbe Supplementation for Improving Black Soldier Fly Growth and Development” - \$6,635.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,335.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (statements dated 12/20/21, 12/20/21 and 12/20/21) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: “Synthesis of Optically Active Indoline Derivatives via Ruthenium (II)-Catalyzed Enantioselective C-H Functionalization” - \$693.50; “Fluoroalkylsilane-Modified Polystyrene-Coated Metal Electrodes for Sensitive Electrochemical Detection of Oil in Water” - \$171.00; and “Synthesis of Optically Active Indoline Derivatives via Ruthenium (II)-Catalyzed Enantioselective C-H Functionalization” – \$38.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 902.50

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 11/4/21, 12/6/21, 12/8/21 and 12/8/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: “Emerald Bioscience, Inc. Licenses” - \$236.00; “Trademark Matters” - \$3,656.00, “Trademark Maintenance for Athletic Logos” - \$147.50; and “Emerald Bioscience, Inc. Licenses” - \$295.00, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,334.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Thomas|Horstemeyer, L.L.P. (statements dated 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21, 11/18/21 and 12/28/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents: “Dyes, Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells and Making and Using Same” - \$1,121.70; “Dyes, Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells and Making and Using Same” - \$250.00; “Biologically Active Cannabidiol Analogs” - \$150.00; “Dyes, Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells and Making and Using Same” - \$3,648.36; “Biologically Active Cannabidiol Analogs” - \$1,750.00; “Biologically Active Cannabidiol Analogs” - \$890.98; “Biologically Active Cannabidiol Analogs” - \$1,348.71; “Biologically Active Cannabidiol Analogs” - \$1,174.90; “Isolation of Pure Cannabinoids from Cannabis” - \$1,950.29; “Highly Selective Sigma Receptor Ligands and Radioligands as Probes in Nociceptive Processing and the Pathophysiological Study of Memory Deficits and Cognitive Disorders” - \$739.55; “Patent Analysis – CM699” - \$492.70; and “Dyes, Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells and Making and Using Same” - \$795.90, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 14,913.09

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (statements dated 11/11/21, 11/11/21, 11/11/21, 11/11/21, 11/11/21, 11/11/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21, 12/15/21 and 12/15/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$648.00, \$326.00, \$1,118.00, \$601.50, \$45.64, \$5,271.47, \$3,655.14, \$697.50, \$603.50, \$600.50, \$586.50, \$659.50, \$637.50, \$671.50, \$52.00, \$312.00 and \$2,665.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with intellectual property patents.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 19,151.75

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Workman Nydegger (statement dated 11/5/21) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$250.00, represents services and expenses in connection with intellectual property patents.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 250.00

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 12/21/21, 12/21/21, 12/21/21, 12/21/21 and 12/21/21) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following intellectual property matters: “Phenylphosphine Oxide Epoxy Polymer and Atomic Oxygen Stable Epoxy Polymer” - \$359.50; “Infrared Detection w. Intrinsically Conductive” - \$212.00; “An Automated Mechanism to Position Aquaculture Equipment” - \$5,989.50; “Mesoporous Material Derived” - \$1,209.50; and “Transition of Patent Files” - \$5,671.00).

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 13,441.50