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STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
January 17 and 21, 2013

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the University of Southern Mississippi Board Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, on Thursday, January 17, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Dr. Ford Dye, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Ms. Christine Pickering and Ms. Robin J. Robinson. Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Ms. Karen Cummins, Mr. Shane Hooper, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Alan Perry, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith were also present. The following members of the USM Interview Search Advisory Committee were present: Ms. Rosemary Aultman, Mayor of Clinton, MS; Ms. Lou Ann Poynter, Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair of the University of Southern Mississippi Foundation; Mr. Kim Bradley, President of the Hattiesburg City Council; Dr. Mary Ann Adams, Professor, Division of Education and Psychology at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Campus; Mr. Michael Miles, Director of Music at the University of Southern Mississippi; Ms. April Jordan, Operations Manager, iTech Administration at the University of Southern Mississippi; and Ms. Jazmyne Butler, Student Body President at the University of Southern Mississippi. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Robin Robinson, Chair.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Owens, seconded by Trustee Dye, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Owens, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to go into Executive Session for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of personnel issues concerning the search for the next president of the University of Southern Mississippi.

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

The Board conducted first-round interviews of one of the six candidates recommended by the Campus Search Advisory Committee.

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

On motion by Trustee Pickering, seconded by Trustee Owens, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to recess the University of Southern Mississippi Board Search Committee meeting until, Monday, January 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. to continue the discussion of the personnel issues concerning the search for the next president of the University of Southern Mississippi.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the University of Southern Mississippi Board Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, on Monday, January 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee (Ex Officio member), Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, and Ms. Robin J. Robinson. Committee members Dr. Ford Dye, Mr. Bob Owens, and Ms. Christine Pickering were absent. Mr. Shane Hooper, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith were also present. The following members of the USM Interview Search Advisory Committee were present: Ms.
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Rosemary Aultman, Mayor of Clinton, MS; Ms. Lou Ann Poynter, Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair of the University of Southern Mississippi Foundation; Mr. Kim Bradley, President of the Hattiesburg City Council; Dr. Mary Ann Adams, Professor, Division of Education and Psychology at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Campus; Mr. Michael Miles, Director of Music at the University of Southern Mississippi; Ms. April Jordan, Operations Manager, iTech Administration at the University of Southern Mississippi; and Ms. Jazmyne Butler, Student Body President at the University of Southern Mississippi. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Robin Robinson, Chair.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Patterson, with Trustees Dye, Owens and Pickering absent and not voting and Trustee Blakeslee participating as an Ex Officio member, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Blakeslee, with Trustees Dye, Owens and Pickering absent and not voting and Trustee Blakeslee participating as an Ex Officio member, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to go into Executive Session for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of personnel issues concerning the search for the next president of the University of Southern Mississippi.

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

The Board conducted a first-round interview of one of the six candidates recommended by the Campus Search Advisory Committee.

On motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Robinson, with Trustees Dye, Owens and Pickering absent and not voting and Trustee Blakeslee participating as an Ex Officio member, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Trustee Blakeslee, seconded by Trustee Patterson, with Trustees Dye, Owens and Pickering absent and not voting and Trustee Blakeslee participating as an Ex Officio member, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

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