

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING  
May 7, 2021**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, That the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a special called meeting held via teleconference at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi at 12:00 p.m. on May 7, 2021, and pursuant to notice in writing, to each and every member of said Board. The following members participated: Dr. Steven Cunningham (by phone), Tom Duff (by phone), Dr. Ford Dye (by phone), Ms. Ann H. Lamar (by phone), Ms. Jeanne Carter Luckey (by phone), Mr. Bruce Martin (by phone), Dr. Alfred E. McNair, Jr. (by phone), Mr. Chip Morgan (by phone), Mr. Gee Ogletree (by phone), Mr. Hal Parker (by phone), and Dr. J. Walt Starr (by phone). Mr. Shane Hooper was absent. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Ford Dye, President.

**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 meeting was called to consider university finance issues.**

**FINANCE AGENDA**

Trustee Martin recused himself from discussing or voting on item #1 and Trustee Ogletree recused himself from discussing or voting on items #1 - #6 on the Finance Agenda; both were placed in the Zoom waiting room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee McNair, with Trustees Hooper, Martin, and Ogletree absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Finance Agenda. Trustee Martin was readmitted to the meeting following the conclusion of the discussion and vote on item #1. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Starr, with Trustees Hooper and Ogletree absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #2 - #6. Trustee Ogletree was readmitted to the meeting following the conclusion of the discussion and vote on items #1 - #6. Trustee McNair recused himself from discussing or voting on items #7 & #8 and was placed in the Zoom waiting room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustees Hooper and McNair absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #7 & #8. Trustee McNair was readmitted to the meeting following the conclusion of the discussion and vote on items #7 & #8.

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to renew the property insurance coverage with Affiliated FM Insurance Company (AFM). AFM will provide the property coverage for the system, except for the gulf coast wind coverage. The wind and flood coverage for the gulf coast (referred to as a Difference in Conditions or “DIC” policy) includes a number of markets which share the risk. That coverage is provided through a difference in conditions wind and storm surge policy of which the coverage is shared between multiple insurers. One of the lead insurers for the shared DIC coverage is Berkshire Hathaway (Berkshire). This contract is the most cost-effective manner while meeting each university’s individual coverage needs. This will be a one-year insurance policy running from May 31, 2021, to May 31, 2022. The combined premium is approximately \$8,759,350 (\$7,407,809 for the AFM portion and \$1,351,541 for the DIC coverage) for 2021-2022. Premium amounts

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may increase or decrease through the term of the policy as universities add or decrease their insured values. Each university and the Board Office pays its respective share of the premium which is billed and paid directly between the insurance company and the insured. 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. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to purchase cyber liability and incident response insurance coverage with Lloyds of London – Beazley Syndicate (Beazley). Beazley will provide the cyber coverage and breach response services for the system. Beazley has an A.M. Best Rating of A XV. The purpose of the contract is to protect the IHL system from cyber liability risks and response costs through transferring some of that risk to an insurer. The breach response coverage also provides expert assistance and access to network of contractors with pre-negotiated rates. The contract is a one-year insurance policy beginning May 26, 2021 and terminating May 26, 2022. The cost will be approximately \$418,275 for the one-year policy. The IHL Self-Insured Tort Plan will pay the premium and allocate an appropriate premium share to each insured participant. The share for each participant other than UMMC will be built into the annual assessment of the Tort Plan. The Tort Plan will invoice UMMC for its share. 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. **SYSTEM** – Approved of a student health insurance policy for use by the university system. United Healthcare Services, Inc. will provide the student health insurance coverage for the system, and Arthur J. Gallagher will serve as the insurance broker. Gallagher serves as the broker for over 110,000 student insureds and has partnered with United Healthcare to provide student insurance for many universities and university systems. The purpose of the contract is to provide an insurance option for students to purchase directly, or for universities to purchase as a benefit for certain classes of student workers or employees. The goal of the system approach is to lower premium costs while maintaining health insurance coverage that meets Affordable Care Act and visa requirements. Gallagher has been engaged for three policy years, but the insurance policy or policies are for one-year terms, although an optional renewal is included with this quote. The policy terms may vary from university to university in order to have an effective date that coincides with the termination dates of each university's current policies. The most common policy inception date has been August 15th, so while dates may vary, a utilized term is expected to be August 15, 2021, to August 15th, 2022. The premium will be \$2,004 per policy per year, which includes discount Complements programs related to dental, vision, and 24/7 cognitive health therapy. When Wellfleet increased its premium this year, United Healthcare offered a flat renewal rate as well as a flat-rate second-year option (for policy year 2022-2023). Additionally, United Healthcare is offering a lower deductible than the expiring policy with Wellfleet. If 3,000 students are insured, the aggregate annual premium range would be approximately \$6,012,000. If renewed for a second year at the same rate, the aggregate cost for two years is estimated to be approximately \$12,024,000. The aggregate premium will vary based upon the number of participants. Students will directly pay the premium for their policy, except for some student workers. Universities may elect to pay or supplement the premium cost for certain classes of student workers, such as graduate assistants, as an employment benefit or part of its payment structure.

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Expenditures for student health insurance by universities are determined by each university. 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. **ASU** – Approved the request to enter a one-year contract with Canizaro Cawthon Davis for the completion of the Campus Master Plan and the Campus Space Utilization Study. The term of the contract is one year from June 1, 2021 until May 31, 2022. Consultant fees for the project are \$585,000 plus an amount not to exceed \$24,350 in travel expenses for the consultants for a total project cost of \$609,350. The contract will be funded by Title III Federal Grant funds from the United States Department of Education. 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. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend the Customer Agreement with Iron Mountain Information Management, LLC (Iron Mountain) to extend the term of the agreement six (6) months and add language related to insurance, indemnification, and information security. The agreement provides shredding services at all UMMC facilities, including hospitals and clinics located throughout the State. Shredding services include destruction of documents (paper) and non-documents such as plastic media and binding materials, as well as IT asset disposition. The term of the amended agreement is five (5) years and six (6) months, from June 1, 2016, through November 30, 2021. The total cost of the amended agreement remains \$983,652.59. 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. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Sales and Support Proposal, including Quotation Number: 155335-0001107577-3-9 with Medtronic USA, Inc. (Medtronic) for the purchase of four (4) StealthStation surgical navigation systems for neurosurgery and otolaryngology (ENT) procedures. The systems include software, hardware, instrumentation, tracking algorithms, image data resections, and accessories. These surgical navigation systems provide minimally invasive approaches, improve imaging and visualization, and reduce sedation time in complex neurosurgery and ENT procedures for pediatric and adult patients. The term of the agreement is approximately two (2) years, from June 1, 2021, through approximately July 6, 2023. The actual expiration date is two (2) years and seven (7) days after delivery, which is expected to be on or about June 30, 2021. The total cost of the agreement is \$1,283,060.60. 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.
7. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a lease agreement with Cedar Lake Physician Center, LLC (Cedar Lake) for the rental of clinic space located at 1720A Medical Park Drive, Suite 130B, in Biloxi, Mississippi. This lease will allow UMMC to continue its mission of providing high standards of medical education to physicians across the state and will provide space for University Transplant evaluations, clinic visits, and consultations to patients in the Gulf Coast area. The term of the Lease Agreement is three (3) years, from June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2024. The total cost of the lease over the three (3) year term is \$240,065.60. UMMC's base rent will be \$5,654.60 per month, plus an estimated

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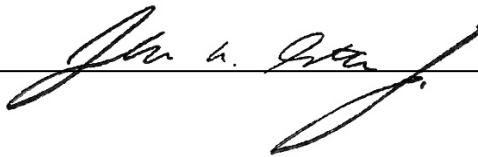
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\$36,500 for potential repairs. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board approved the request to allow prepayment of rent on the first day of each month. The agreement will be funded by patient revenue. 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. 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.

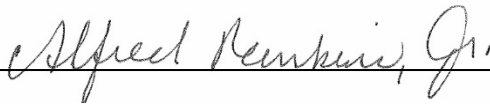
8. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend its Medical Office Building Lease (Sublease) with Memorial Hospital at Gulfport (MHG) to extend the term one (1) year. Under the Sublease, UMMC subleases approximately 2,229 square feet of clinical space located at 920 Tommy Munro Drive in Biloxi, Mississippi, for use as a pediatric outpatient clinic. The term of the amended Sublease is fifty (50) months and five (5) days, beginning March 26, 2018, and ending May 31, 2022. The original Sublease term was thirty-eight (38) months and five (5) days. The First Amendment extends the term one (1) additional year. The total cost of the amended Sublease is \$294,416.68 over the fifty (50) months and five (5) days term. The original sublease was approved for a total cost of \$226,864.79. Effective June 1, 2021, UMMC’s base rent will be \$4,162.66 per month, plus an estimated \$17,599.97 in operating expense overages. 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 or Services, the Board approved the request to allow prepayment of rent on the first day of each month. This agreement will be funded by patient revenues. 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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Lamar, with Trustee Hooper absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.



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President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning



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Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning