

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING  
October 17, 2024**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, That the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a regular session at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:00 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on November 22, 2023, to each and every member of said Board said date being at least five days prior to this October 17, 2024 meeting. At the above-named place the following members were present to wit: Mr. Don Clark, Jr., Dr. Ormella Cummings, Dr. Steven Cunningham, Mr. Jerry L. Griffith, Mr. Jimmy Heidelberg, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Bruce Martin, Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Mr. Charlie Stephenson. Ms. Jeanne Carter Luckey was absent. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bruce Martin, President, with Trustee Hubbard providing the invocation.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

- Dr. Alfred Rankins, Commissioner of higher Education, introduced Dr. Latoya Reed, Director of Enrollment Management and Transfer within the IHL Office of Academic and Student Affairs.
- President Martin also welcomed the following Student Government Association members: President Kristian Bryant from Alcorn State University; President Hayden Kirkhart from Delta State University; President Caron McFatridge from Mississippi State University; Chief of Staff Hunter Yelverton from Mississippi State University; President Laila Wrenn from the Mississippi University for Women; Senator Representative Zander Hall from the Mississippi University for Women; President Hannah Watts from the University of Mississippi; Vice President Jack Jones from the University of Mississippi; President Morgan Shock from the University of Mississippi Medical Center; and President Braxton Ruddock from the University of Southern Mississippi.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

On motion by Trustee Hubbard, seconded by Trustee Griffith, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting held on September 19-20, 2024.

**CONSENT AGENDAS**

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agendas.

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

1. **MSU** – Approved the modification of the following academic program:  
Renaming  
Current program title: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Medical Technology  
Proposed program title: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Clinical Laboratory Sciences

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CIP code, sequence: 51.1005, 5242

Total credit hours: 124

Effective date: January 2025

2. **SYSTEM** – Approved the modification of the following academic units.

Renaming

- a. **MSU** – Current unit: Department of Communication  
Proposed unit title: Department of Communication, Media, and Theatre  
Effective date: August 2025
- b. **UM** – Current unit: Office of Research and Sponsored Programs  
Proposed unit title: Office for Research and Economic Development  
Effective date: November 2024
- c. **UMMC** – Current unit: Integrated Patient Care  
Proposed unit title: Comprehensive General Dentistry  
Effective date: October 2024

Deleting

- d. **UM** – Unit: Division of Diversity and Community Engagement  
Effective date: October 2024

**FINANCE**

3. **DSU** – Approved the request to enter an agreement with Ellucian Company, L.P. for the maintenance of its ERP system Banner. The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services (ITS) has negotiated this contract on behalf of the university. The term of the agreement is one year upon signature and has been approved by the Mississippi ITS office. The contract amount will be \$271,124. The contract will be funded with E & G 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. **IHL Executive Office** – Approved the request to enter an agreement with Leon Consulting, LLC d/b/a LK Marketing Services for the systems' management, integrated marketing strategy, call center supervision general support and reporting for Mississippi's Complete 2 Compete initiative. The initial term of the agreement is November 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, with the option to renewal for up to four additional one-year terms through September 30, 2029. At the time of each renewal, proposal prices and scope may be revised as needed for changes in project. This agreement is for the full-term beginning November 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2029. The total estimated cost of the initial term of the agreement is \$462,405. If the options to renew for the four additional one-year periods are exercised, the estimated additional cost would be approximately \$3,000,000. The contract will be funded from IHL Universities' financial support for Complete 2 Compete program. 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 escalate the FY 2025 On Campus budget for the purpose of adding additional contractual security services. The cost of the increased services will increase the budget by \$180,000 bringing the total FY 2025 On Campus Budget to

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\$40,923,725. The source of the funds will come from Fund Balance. The original budget was approved at the June 2024 Board Meeting.

<b>Major Object Category</b>	<b>Approved FY 2025</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Revised FY 2025</b>
Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits	\$ 25,161,789		\$ 25,161,789
Travel	1,164,035		1,164,035
Contractual Services	11,275,533	180,000	11,455,533
Commodities	1,036,666		1,036,666
Capital Outlay	1,610,411		1,610,411
Mandatory Transfers	260,000		260,000
Non-Mandatory Transfers	235,291		235,291
Change in Fund Balance	-		-
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$ 40,743,725</b>	<b>\$ 180,000</b>	<b>\$ 40,923,725</b>

6. **MVSU** – Approved the request to grant retroactive approval for a software license and service Order Form with Ellucian Company, LLC. The agreement provides services to support the configuration of Evisions Argos Advanced Features, IntelleCheck, FormFusion, and Degree Works all of which are critical to the University’s continued business administrative operations. The term of the contract is July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. The total contract cost is \$63,195. The contract will be funded by Title III 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.
7. **MVSU** – Approved the request to grant retroactive approval of a software license and service Order Form with Ellucian Company, LLC (Banner) and to enter a Supplement to the Master Software License and Services Agreement that was procured by the Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services (ITS) on behalf of MVSU for the same services to continue through an entire one (1) year contract period. The agreement provides services to support the configuration of Banner Financial Aid, Advancement, Finance, Student, Human Resources, Workflow EDISmart, Employee, Faculty and Advisor Self-Service, and Solutions Manager all of which are critical to the University’s continued business administrative operations. The order form started on July 1, 2024, and ends on October 31, 2024. The Master Software License and Service Agreement will start on November 1, 2024, and end on June 25, 2025. The total contract cost for both order forms is \$268,602. The contract will be funded by E&G and Title III 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.
8. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Customer Purchasing Agreement with AVITA Medical Americas LLC (AVITA Medical) to purchase the AVITA Medical ReCell products and systems for the care of burn patients. The agreement allows UMMC to purchase products for the care of burn patients that will reduce the length of hospital stay and decrease the need for additional procedures or complications. 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 adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is two (2) years from November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2026. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the two (2) year term is \$8,900,000.00. UMMC

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has included a fifteen percent (15%) increase in year 2 for potential patient volume growth. 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.

9. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Pricing Agreement with Edwards Lifesciences LLC (Edwards) to purchase Pascal transcatheter valve repair systems. The agreement sets pricing and rebate terms for the Pascal transcatheter mitral valve repair system and other associated accessories. The Pascal transcatheter mitral valve repair system is used to repair the mitral valve of the heart without the need for open heart surgery. 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 adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is five (5) years from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2029. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the 5 year term is \$4,500,000. 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 enter a Coding Services Agreement with Kiwi-Tek, LLC (Kiwi-Tek) to perform hospital billing and professional fee remote coding services. Under the agreement, Kiwi-Tek will perform hospital-based fee coding, professional fee coding, outpatient coding, and denial reviews as needed. The term of the agreement is five (5) years, from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2029. The total estimated cost of the agreement is \$13,150,000 over five (5) year term. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a ten percent (10 %) increase for potential volume increases. Fees are based on a per chart rate or hourly rate for the coding services. 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 a new GPO Product Agreement with Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc. (Ortho-Clinical) for the rental of three (3) Vision Analyzers for the UMMC Jackson Blood Bank Lab and one (1) Vision Analyzer for the UMMC Grenada Blood Bank Lab, as well as the purchase of disposables for use on the instruments. This instrumentation will be utilized to perform blood type, antibody screens, antibody panels, antigen typings, and crossmatches for patients. This testing is required prior to a patient receiving blood products. 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 adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is five (5) years from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2029. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the five (5) year term is \$2,900,000.00. UMMC has included a ten percent (10%) increase in years 2 through 5 for potential patient volume growth. 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.

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12. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Cost-Per-Reportable Agreement with Sysmex America, Inc. (Sysmex) for the lease of sixteen (16) new hematology analyzers across the UMMC system, the purchase of testing supplies and reagents for use with the analyzers, and service and support for the leased equipment. The analyzers perform complete blood counts used to help diagnose and monitor blood disorders. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove products, as well as move equipment, under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is five (5) years from November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2029, or until UMMC achieves the total test commitment of 2,004,650 reportable tests, whichever occurs later. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the five (5) year term is \$6,350,000.00. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a ten percent (10%) increase for potential volume growth. 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.
13. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Cost-Per-Reportable Agreement with Sysmex America, Inc. (Sysmex) for the lease of five (5) new urinalysis analyzers across the UMMC system, the purchase of testing supplies and reagents for use with the analyzers, and service and support for the leased equipment. The instruments are used to perform the visual, chemical, and microscopic examination of urine which helps diagnose and/or monitor several diseases and conditions, such as kidney disorders and urinary tract infections. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove products, as well as move equipment, under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is five (5) years from November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2029, or until UMMC achieves the total test commitment of 398,525 reportable tests, whichever occurs later. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the five (5) year term is \$1,900,000. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included a ten percent (10%) increase for potential volume growth. 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.
14. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Program Initiative Services Agreement with Sellers Dorsey & Associates, LLC (Sellers Dorsey) to provide strategic consulting services to UMMC for the purpose of developing and assisting with the implementation of a Graduate Medical Education Medicaid Payment Program for the State of Mississippi (GME Payment Program) as well as ongoing management of the program. The total term of the Agreement is six (6) years and eight (8) months, from November 1, 2024, through June 30, 2031. Sellers Dorsey shall provide services for five (5) years ending on October 31, 2029. However, as payments to Sellers Dorsey are based on a contingency fee of the new federal funds generated for UMMC from participation in the GME Payment Program, the additional 20 months of the contract term will allow UMMC to receive the funds and pay Sellers Dorsey the applicable fee. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the six (6) year and eight (8) month term is \$10,850,000. Under the agreement, UMMC pays Sellers Dorsey a contingency fee of 4% of the new federal funds generated for UMMC

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from participation in the GME Payment Program, as well as travel expenses. UMMC has included an annual growth rate of twenty-five percent (25%) to account for possible increases in the amount of funds received from the 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.

15. **UMMC** – Approved the request to escalate the 2024 On-Campus Budget to increase budgetary spending authority for salaries, wages, and contract labor for patient care services. The escalation will be funded with increased sales and services resulting from increased patient revenue.

<b>University of Mississippi Medical Center FY 2024 On-Campus Budget by Major Object</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Original FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>	<b>Revision/ Escalation</b>	<b>Revised FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>
Total Salaries, Wages, and Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,038,614,725	\$ 102,722,848	\$ 1,141,337,573
Travel and Subsistence	\$ 4,199,223	\$ -	\$ 4,199,223
Contractual Services	\$ 299,563,769	\$ (40,840,650)	\$ 258,723,119
Commodities	\$ 381,283,076	\$ -	\$ 381,283,076
Capital Outlay: Non-Equipment	\$ 58,846,261	\$ -	\$ 58,846,261
Capital Outlay: Equipment	\$ 67,568,851	\$ -	\$ 67,568,851
Mandatory Transfers	\$ 96,924,168	\$ -	\$ 96,924,168
Non-Mandatory Transfers			
<b>Total Uses of Funding</b>	<b>\$ 1,947,000,073</b>	<b>\$ 61,882,198</b>	<b>\$ 2,008,882,271</b>

<b>University of Mississippi Medical Center FY 2024 On-Campus Budget by Functional Category</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Original FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>	<b>Revision/ Escalation</b>	<b>Revised FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>
Total Instruction	\$ 219,889,672	\$ -	\$ 219,889,672
Research	\$ 87,443,623	\$ -	\$ 87,443,623
Public Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Academic Support	\$ 93,424,666	\$ -	\$ 93,424,666
Student Services	\$ 1,330,170	\$ -	\$ 1,330,170
Institutional Support	\$ 19,274,757	\$ -	\$ 19,274,757
Operation and Maintenance	\$ 46,846,337	\$ -	\$ 46,846,337
Inpatient Nursing Service	\$ 252,959,601	\$ 33,465,763	\$ 286,425,364
Professional Service	\$ 498,061,806	\$ 21,236,526	\$ 519,298,332
Ambulatory Service	\$ 457,602,361	\$ 7,179,909	\$ 464,782,270
Patient and General Support	\$ 48,961,984	\$ -	\$ 48,961,984
Operational Service	\$ 221,205,096	\$ -	\$ 221,205,096
<b>Total Uses of Funding</b>	<b>\$ 1,947,000,073</b>	<b>\$ 61,882,198</b>	<b>\$ 2,008,882,271</b>

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<b>University of Mississippi Medical Center FY 2024 On-Campus Budget by Revenue Source</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Original FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>	<b>Revision/ Escalation</b>	<b>Revised FY 2024 Operating Budget</b>
Total Student Fees	\$ 49,746,603	\$ -	\$ 49,746,603
Governmental Appropriations	\$ 261,084,767	\$ -	\$ 261,084,767
Grants and Contracts	\$ 94,640,642	\$ -	\$ 94,640,642
Sales and Services	\$ 1,393,173,860	\$ 61,882,198	\$ 1,455,056,058
Other	\$ 148,354,201	\$ -	\$ 148,354,201
<b>Total Uses of Funding</b>	<b>\$ 1,947,000,073</b>	<b>\$ 61,882,198</b>	<b>\$ 2,008,882,271</b>

16. **USM** – Approved the request to enter Amendment One to Use Permit, between the National Aeronautics and Space Administration John C. Stennis Space Center (NASA) and the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the Center of Higher Learning and Related University Activities (IHL). Amendment One removes the following USM designated space from the Use Permit which is no longer needed by USM: USM/DMS building 9608, type 3, 2,785square feet and USM/DMS building 9612, type 3, 2,785 square feet. The removal of the space from USM designated space will result in a reduction of charges to USM of approximately \$1,365 per month. This is for the remaining portion of Five (5) Year term which commenced on November 29, 2023. The estimated financial obligation for reimbursable costs owed to NASA for the five (5) term is \$4,033,026 subject to adjustment as provided in the Agreements. The proposed Amendment One will reduce the reimbursable costs owed by approximately \$65,000 over the remaining period of the term. The agreement is funded with State of Mississippi Appropriations for Center of Higher Learning, Education and General funds for the Department of Marine Sciences. 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**

17. **JSU** – Approved the initiation of GS 103-322, ARPA – Water Collection & Conveyance, and the appointment of Pickering Firm, Inc., as the design professional. The project scope includes rehabilitating brick manholes and performing improvements to address wastewater system collection issues based on the August 2023 inspections and smoke testing. The proposed project budget is \$4,836,791.07. Funds are available from SB 3062, Laws of 2022 - ARPA IHL (\$1,468,766.71); SB 3118, Laws of 2023 - ARPA Statewide (\$2,293,024.36); and SB 3164 Laws of 2024 - ARPA Statewide (\$1,075,000)
18. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 205-359, Wise Center Renovation and Addition, and the appointment of Eley Guild Hardy, P.A., as the design professional. The Wise Center has been the home of the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) at MSU since 1981. CVM will be renovated and expanded over multiple years in phases. The scope of each phase could include a new cattle handling facility, new farm animal hospital, a renovated equine hospital, an expanded small animal hospital, and infrastructure improvements, and systems modernizations. The proposed project budget is \$18 million. Funds are available from S.B. 2468, Laws of 2024 (\$18 million).

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19. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 205-361, Davis Wade Stadium – East Suite Improvements, and the appointment of MP Design Group, as the design professional. The project scope will include aesthetic improvements of existing suites on the east side of Davis Wade Stadium. The proposed project budget is \$3 million. Funds are available from MSU Athletics Internal Funds (\$3 million).
20. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-214, Brevard Hall 1st Floor Lab Renovation, and the appointment of McCarty Architects, P.A., as the design professional. The project consists of adding a door to the hallway, closing the opening to the student lounge, and adding a closet to the space. New floors, casework, paint, and lighting will be added. The proposed project budget is \$1.3 million. Funds are available from Internal R&R (\$1.3 million).
21. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-517, Stockard-Martin Sanitary Sewer Corrections, and the appointment of Corbett Legge and Associates, PLLC, as the design professional. The scope entails replacing the sanitary & sewer pipe risers that extend through all eleven floors of Stockard and Martin dormitories. A connection between the two buildings will be replaced and connected to the sewer system. The proposed project budget is \$1.3 million. Funds are available from Internal R&R (\$1.3 million).
22. **UM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 207-518, Walton Young House Renovation, and the appointment of McCarty Architects, P.A., as the design professional. The project consists of a full renovation of the historical 1880 Walton Young House to facilitate the functional operation of the Ole Miss Women’s Council. The Mississippi Department of Archives and History will be included throughout this process. The proposed project budget is \$2.5 million. Funds are available from Private Gifts (\$2.5 million).
23. **USM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 214-028, Gulf Park Friendship Oak Sidewalk and Lighting Project, and the appointment of Neel-Shaffer, Inc., as the design professional. The project will remove existing sidewalks adjacent to Lloyd Hall and Elizabeth Hall and between Hardy Hall and the Administration Plaza. The existing street in front of Friendship Oak will be removed, and a landscape bed will be installed. The new pathways will tie into the existing Bear Bayou pathways on campus. Lighting updates will take place along the new pedestrian infrastructure. The proposed project budget is \$1,193,048.25. This project is funded by an 80/20 grant administered by the Mississippi Department of Transportation with funds from the Federal Highway Administration as part of the Transportation Alternative Grant Program. The federal share of construction costs is \$660,000; the remaining \$533,048.25 will be paid by the University.
24. **MUW** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for GS 104-214, South Campus Mechanical Plant, from \$3,000,000 to \$4,528,310 for an increase of \$1,528,310 and to modify the funding source to include funds from SB 2971, Laws of 2021, and HB 1649, Laws of 2018. This project will address facility, and equipment upgrades as required at the south campus chiller plant which currently supports four residence halls. Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing improvements will be included in this scope. Funds are available from SB 2971, Laws of 2021 (\$1,133,528); HB 603, Laws of 2023 (\$1,500,000); HB 1649, Laws of 2018 (\$123,830.81); and HB 1730, Laws of 2020 (\$1,770,951.19).



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25. **MUW** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for GS 104-215, Jones Hall Renovation, from \$7,500,000 to \$9,578,925 for an increase of \$2,078,925 and to modify the funding source to include funds from SB 2971, Laws of 2021; HB 1649, Laws of 2018; SB 2906, Laws of 2015; HB 1729, Laws of 2016; HB 3006, Laws of 2024; and MUW. The project includes asbestos abatement, restoration of interior and exterior elements, interior reconfiguration, ADA improvements and major renovations of the mechanical, electrical, plumbing and life safety systems. Due to the building’s Mississippi Landmark status, coordination with the Mississippi Department of Archives and History will be required. Funds are available from SB 2971, Laws of 2021 (\$1,616,472); HB 603, Laws of 2023 (\$7,212,500); HB 1649, Laws of 2018 (\$60,585.40); SB 2906, Laws of 2015 (\$6,687.78); HB 1729, Laws of 2016 (\$3,617.14); HB 3006, Laws of 2024 (\$483,062.68); and MUW Funds (\$196,000).
26. **DSU** – Approved the request to lease land from the City of Cleveland for its flight training program and operations center. The property consists of approximately 4.98 acres (216,931.60 square feet) and is located on the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 22 North, Range 5 West, Bolivar County, Mississippi. The lease agreement term will begin on November 1, 2024, and shall end at midnight on October 31, 2044. The total contract amount over the 20-year lease period is \$498,942.70. The contract rate is determined will be \$0.10 cents per square foot annually from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2029, for a total of \$1,807.76 monthly or \$21,693.16 annually during this period. The contract rate will increase to \$0.11 cents per square foot from November 1, 2029, through October 31, 2034, for a total of \$1,988.54 monthly or \$23,862.48 annually during this period. The contract rate will increase to \$0.12 cents per square foot from November 1, 2034, through October 31, 2039, for a total of \$2,169.32 monthly or \$26,031.79 annually during this period. The contract rate will increase to \$0.13 cents per square foot from November 1, 2039, through October 31, 2044, for a total of \$2,350.09 monthly or \$28,201.11 annually during this period. The lease will be funded by the Delta State University Aviation Departmental funds and legislative appropriations. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.
27. **MSU** – Approved the request for retroactive approval to enter a contract to purchase a tract of land consisting of 3 acres and includes a 7,586 square foot office/warehouse commercial building located at 654 Old Mayhew Road in Starkville, Mississippi from Craddock Properties, LLC. MSU received two independent property appraisals: \$1,025,000 and \$1,050,000, respectively. The average of the two appraisals is \$1,037,500. MSU is purchasing the property for a total of \$998,270 which is below the average of the property’s two appraised values. The subject property is physically located on 3.00+/- acres of land at 654 Old Mayhew Road, Starkville, Mississippi. The property includes acreage (130,680 square foot parcel) which is improved with a 7,586 square foot office/warehouse that was developed in 2015 that includes offices, meeting rooms, a kitchen, and a storage shop. The land was undeveloped prior to 2015. The Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement was signed by MSU and Craddock Properties, LLC, in June 2024. The Agreement states that the transaction is “specifically conditioned on and subject to approval of” the Board. The purchase price is \$998,270 funded with University Designated Funds. The Closing shall

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occur on or before December 20, 2024, or as otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing by both Parties. The possession date by the Purchaser shall be the date of closing. A Phase I Environmental assessment was completed, and no recognized environmental conditions, controlled recognized environmental conditions, historical recognized environmental conditions or *de minimis* conditions were identified for the subject property. 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.

28. **MSU** – Approved the request to delete Building #1686 Wildlife and Forestry Pens from inventory. This is a small storage building constructed in 1975 in Oktibbeha County. It is necessary to remove this building due to the construction of new deer pens. The approval letter has been received from the Mississippi Department of Archives and History stating Building #1686 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.
29. **UM** – Approved the exterior design of IHL 407-011, Early Learning and Evaluation Center. The project consists of the development of a comprehensive 54,000 gross square feet state-of-the-art early learning and evaluation center. A copy of the renderings is included in the bound *October 17, 2024 Board Working File*.
30. **UM** – Approved the exterior design of IHL 207-516, Phi Delta Theta Renovations and Additions. A copy of the renderings is included in the bound *October 17, 2024 Board Working File*.
31. **UM** – Approved the request to purchase improved real property contiguous to the University, located at 2118 Harris Drive, Oxford, MS 38655. The property includes a single-family 1,705 square foot home and approximately 0.8+/- acres of land. The home is owned by McMonigle South Properties, LLC, where Craig McMonigle is sole principal and his spouse, Lea McMonigle, is an organizer of the LLC. This property adjoins the University's northwestern boundary and is adjacent to the Medicinal Plant Garden and Insight Park Ave. The University received two independent property appraisals: \$320,000 and \$325,000, respectively. The University is purchasing the property for \$322,500, which is the average of the two appraisals. The terms of sale include a property valuation, supported by the average of two independent appraisals of \$322,500. The purchase component is to occur through internal R&R funds. The Closing shall occur on mutually agreed upon date no later than 45 days after the effective date, unless extended by mutual written consent of the parties. A Phase I Environmental assessment, lead paint, and asbestos testing has been completed with successful test results. A property disclosure statement was provided by the seller, and no material or substantive adverse conditions were noted. Funds are available from Internal R&R funds. 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.
32. **USM** – Approved the request to name the Gulf Park Language and Speech Therapy Center as "Kelly Gene Cook, Sr. Hall". Mr. Cook was a pipeliner for more than three decades. Before his passing in 1989, he and his wife, Peggy, formed the Kelly Gene Cook, Sr. Charitable Foundation, Inc. The Foundation continues his legacy of philanthropic support

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of religious, charitable, scientific, and educational organizations in Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas. A long-time supporter of higher education, the Kelly Gene Cook, Sr. Foundation has also been a long-time supporter of USM’s DuBard School for Language Disorders. Through his Foundation, thousands of individuals have been impacted by Kelly Gene Cook, Sr.

**LEGAL**

33. **JSU** – Pending approval by the Office of the Attorney General, the Board approved the request to contract with Armstrong Law, LLC d/b/a Armstrong Immigration as outside counsel to perform services necessary in preparing labor certification applications, immigration applications, immigration petitions, and provide immigration related services on behalf of the University for its employees who seek temporary or permanent residence status, as well as providing other related services. The contract term is one-year effective November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2025. The rates are set out in the fee schedule below. The maximum amount payable under the term of this agreement is \$50,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$1 million per claim with an annual aggregate of \$1 million.

**Summary of Legal Fees**

<b><u>Type of Immigration Processing</u></b>	<b><u>Attorney’s Fees<sup>1</sup></u></b>
<b>Permanent resident status (“green card”/immigrant) processing – labor certification required</b>	
“Special handling” labor certification for faculty (teaching positions only) – using original recruitment	\$2,500.00
“Special handling” labor certification for faculty (teaching positions only) – re-recruitment	\$3,500.00
“Basic recruitment” labor certification for non-teaching positions	\$5,000.00
Audit response (if required by US Department of Labor)	\$1,500.00
Immigrant petition for alien worker (I-140) – for employee	\$2,800.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for employee	\$2,000.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for each dependent of employee (if filing concurrently)	\$1,500.00
“Standalone” Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for employee	\$2,500.00
“Standalone” Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for each dependent of employee	\$2,000.00
I-485 Supplement J (standalone)	\$1,500.00
Preparation for and attendance at USCIS interview	\$2,000.00
Application to renew employment authorization and/or advance parole (per application)	\$ 500.00

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<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of all required US Citizenship and Immigration Services filing fees and costs of recruitment (if required); all additional work, including assistance in ad placement, renewal applications for employment authorization or advance parole during the period the application for adjustment of status is pending, preparation for and attendance at interviews with immigration officers, or appeals of any denials of any immigration petition or application filed, will be billed at normal hourly rates (currently \$350 an hour)

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<b>Permanent resident status (“green card”/immigrant) processing – “Outstanding professors and researchers” (labor certification not required)</b>	
Immigrant petition for alien worker (I-140) – for employee	\$6,000.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for employee	\$2,000.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for each dependent of employee	\$ 1,500.00
“Standalone” Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for employee	\$2,500.00
“Standalone” Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for each dependent of employee	\$2,000.00
Preparation for and attendance at USCIS interview	\$2,000.00
Application to renew employment authorization and/or advance parole (per application)	\$ 500.00
<b>Permanent resident status (“green card”/immigrant) processing – “extraordinary ability” or “National Interest Waiver” (labor certification not required)</b>	
Immigrant petition for alien worker (I-140) – for employee	\$6,000.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for employee	\$2,000.00
Application to adjust status (I-485) and related applications if applicable (I-765, I-131) for each dependent of employee	\$1,500.00
Preparation for and attendance at USCIS interview	\$2,000.00
Application to renew employment authorization and/or advance parole (per application)	\$ 500.00
<b>Temporary status (nonimmigrant) processing</b>	
H-1B “specialty occupation” petition	\$2,500.00
H-1B/LCA Withdrawal	\$ 200.00
E-3 petition or consular processing	\$2,500.00
O-1 “extraordinary ability” petition (initial filing)	\$7,500.00
O-1 “extraordinary ability” petition (extension)	\$4,000.00
O-1 additional rush fee if case must be filed within 60 days	\$2,000.00
TN “NAFTA professional” petition	\$2,500.00
<u>Application for Waiver of J-1 Foreign Residence Requirement</u> (based upon state Conrad 30 program)	\$7,500.00
<u>Application for Waiver of J-1 Foreign Residence Requirement</u> (based upon extreme hardship)	\$6,000.00
Application to extend or change nonimmigrant status (for dependents of employee who are in the US in another nonimmigrant status) when filed with I-129 Petition for primary	\$ 750.00
Application for employment authorization of H-4 spouse (if qualified) when filed with I-539 Application and I-129 Petition	\$ 750.00

34. **JSU** – Pending approval by the Office of the Attorney General, the Board approved the request to contract with Sun Sovereign, LLC d/b/a WareImmigration as outside counsel to perform services necessary in preparing labor certification applications, immigration applications and petitions, and provide immigration related services on behalf of the University for its employees who seek temporary or permanent residence status, as well as

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providing other related services. The contract term is one-year effective November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2025. The rates are set out in the fee schedule below. The maximum amount payable under the term of this agreement is \$50,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$3 million per claim with an annual aggregate of \$3 million.

**Schedule of Legal Fees for Academia**

**Nonimmigrant Petitions and Processes**

H-1B petition	\$2500*
H-1B extension or amendment petitions (firm handled original petition)	\$2500*
H-1B withdrawal	\$ 200
H-4 EAD	\$ 750
*additional legal fee of up to \$2,500 may apply for substantive requests for evidence	
TN petition or border/consulate processing	\$2500
TN extension petition (firm handled original)	\$2500
E-3 petition or consular processing	\$2500
E-3 extension petition (firm handled original)	\$2500
O-1 petition	\$8000
O-1 extension or amendment petition (firm handled original)	\$4000
O-1 additional rush fee if case needs to be filed w/in 60 days	\$2000
J-1 waiver (IGA or hardship)	\$8000
J-1 waiver (Conrad)	\$8000
J-1 waiver (no objection)	\$2000
I-539 Fee for Dependents	\$1000

**Permanent Residence Process with Labor Certification: Faculty**

Special Handling labor certification	\$3000
(If position must be readvertised)	\$2500
Additional fee if audited	\$1500-2500
Immigrant petition (I-140)	\$2500

**Permanent Residence Process with Labor Certification: Non-Faculty**

Labor certification	\$6000
Additional fee if audited	\$1500-2500
Additional fee if subject to supervised recruitment	\$3000
Immigrant petition	\$2500

**Permanent Residence Process: Extraordinary Ability/Outstanding Professors and Researchers and National Interest Waiver**

Immigrant petition	\$8000
EA, OP/OR, or NIW RFE or NOID: case by case determination up to	\$2500

**Adjustment of Status (any Employment-Based Permanent Residence Matter)**

Adjustment of status (AOS) and related applications	
(I-765, I-131, etc.), principal	\$2500
“Standalone” AOS and related applications, principal	\$3000
Adjustment of status and related applications, spouse, if together with principal application and I-140	\$1500
Adjustment of status of each child, concurrent with I-140	\$1000
“Standalone” adjustment of status, spouse (not concurrent with I-140)	\$2000
“Standalone” adjustment of status, child	\$2000
I-485 J (standalone cases)	\$1500

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**Employment Authorization and Advance Parole Renewal**

Employment Authorization Renewal per individual	\$ 750
Advance Parole Renewal per individual	\$ 750

**Marriage Based Permanent Residence**

Principal Applicant	\$4000
Each child, if any	\$2500

**Other Services**

AR-11 Change of Address	\$ 150
Interview rescheduling	\$ 150
Biometrics rescheduling per person	\$ 150
Advisory Opinion	\$ 500
Expedite request	\$ 500-750
Auto Revalidation Letter	\$ 200

**General Legal Advice and Unusual Matters Which Fall Outside This Fee Schedule**

Such matters will be billed at our hourly rate:

Partners	per hour billed	\$ 350
Associate Attorneys	per hour billed	\$ 250
Paralegals	per hour billed	\$ 150
Of Counsel Rate:	per hour billed	\$ 450

35. **MSU** – Approved the request to contract with Mitchell, McNutt & Sams, P.A. as outside counsel to represent the University in a contract and billing dispute with a local utility provider. The contract term is one year effective December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025. The hourly rates are \$250 for attorneys and \$85 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$125,000 under the term of the agreement. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$10 million per claim with an annual aggregate of \$10 million. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
36. **UM** – Pending approval by the Office of the Attorney General, the Board approved the request to enter a contract with Kaplan Kirsch, LLP as outside counsel for the provision of legal services in the area of FAA legal and regulatory issues and other legal matters as assigned. The term of the agreement begins October 17, 2024 and expire on June 30, 2025. The blended hourly rate for all attorneys is \$475 and an hourly rate not to exceed \$150 for paralegal services. The maximum amount payable under the term of the agreement is \$75,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$5 million per claim with an annual aggregate of \$5 million.
37. **MUW** – Approved the request to enter an agreement with Linda Ross Aldy to provide a full scope of legislative lobbying services within the State of Mississippi. The term of the agreement is one year from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. The contract amount is \$35,000 to be paid in monthly installments of \$2,916.66 each. This fee will be paid with self-generated funds by the MUW Foundation. In accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity, Ms. Aldy disclosed she does not have any other clients. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
38. **DSU** – Approved Dr. Michelle Roberts as the university’s legislative liaison in accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity.

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39. **MVSU** – Approved Stephen McDaniel as the university’s legislative liaison in accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity.

**PERSONNEL REPORT**

40. **Employment**

**Delta State University**

- Lisa Giger; part-time, rehired retiree; Human Resources Specialist; salary \$38,265 per annum, pro rata; Fund 10 funds; 12-month contract; effective October 1, 2024
- Michelle Roberts; part-time, rehired retiree; Special Assistant to the President; salary \$85,392 per annum, pro rata; Fund 10 funds; 12-month contract; effective September 1, 2024

41. **Change of Status**

**Delta State University**

Kelvin Davis; from Comptroller; salary \$105,575 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; to Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration; salary \$130,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1, 2024

**Mississippi Valley State University**

Dameon Shaw, from Vice President for University Advancement, External Relations and Information Security; salary \$120,100 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; to Vice President for Information Technology; salary \$124,306 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1, 2024

**ADMINISTRATION/POLICY**

42. **MSU** – Approved the request to bestow one honorary degree at its Fall 2024 commencement ceremony. Supporting documents are on file at the Board Office.
43. **MVSU** – Approved the new mission statement as follows:  
Through personal connection, Mississippi Valley State University provides quality undergraduate and graduate programs to a diverse community of learners. MVSU’s commitment to teaching, learning, research, and service enables students to achieve their academic and career goals and contributes to the betterment of the Mississippi Delta and beyond.

**REGULAR AGENDAS**

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Presented by President Bruce Martin

On motion by Trustee Rader, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as

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

1. **UM** – Approved the request to add the following new degree programs:
  - a. Proposed degree program title: Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Media and Communication  
CIP code: 09.0102  
Total credit hours: 120  
Effective date: August 2024
  - b. Proposed degree program title: Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Nutrition Sciences  
CIP code: 30.1901  
Total credit hours: 60  
Effective date: August 2024
2. **UM** – Approved the request to add the following new academic units:
  - a. Proposed unit title: Confidential Advocacy, Support, and Education (CASE)  
Unit Location: Student Affairs, Dean of Students Community of Practice  
Organizational units to operate under proposed unit: None  
Degree programs to be offered within the proposed unit: None  
Effective date: September 2024
  - b. Proposed unit title: Division of Access, Opportunity, and Community Engagement  
Unit Location: Academic Affairs  
Organizational units to operate under proposed unit:  
Center for Community Engagement  
Center for Inclusion and Cross Cultural Engagement  
Student Disability Services  
Equal Opportunity and Regulatory Compliance  
Degree programs to be offered within the proposed unit:  
Community Engaged Leadership Minor  
Effective date: October 2024

**FINANCE AGENDA**

Presented by Trustee Hal Parker, Chair

Trustee Ogletree recused himself from discussing or voting on items #1 - #4 on the Finance Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. After Trustee Ogletree left the room, on motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Cummings, with Trustees Luckey and Ogletree absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #1 and #2 as submitted on the Finance Agenda. Trustee Clark recused himself from discussing or voting on items #3 and #4 on the Finance Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. Trustee Ogletree recused himself and remained out of the room while items #3 and #4 were discussed and voted on. After



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Trustee Clark left the room, on motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustees Clark, Luckey and Ogletree absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #3 and #4. Trustee Ogletree returned to the room following the discussion and vote on items #1 - #4 and Trustee Clark returned to the room following the discussion and vote on items #3 and #4 on the Finance Agenda. On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Stephenson, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #5 - #7.

1. **DSU** – Approved the request to enter a License and Facilities Use Agreement between Delta State University and the Cleveland School District to utilize Kethley Hall for Hayes Cooper School to house approximately 325 students that were displaced due to an explosion and fire that affected their school building. The goals of the Hayes Cooper Center (HCC)- DSU Elementary Education Partnership are two-fold: 1) to promote experiential learning in the K-6 setting through dynamic, scaffolded, and extended clinical experiences to include a pre-internship and internship; and 2) to simultaneously positively impact K-6 student learning and provide support and resources to classroom teachers. The partnership includes continuous planning and support through leadership team meetings with DSU faculty and HCC teachers. The agreement term will be for the 2024-25 academic year. No funding will be utilized for the rent of the space, however funding from the legislative bill will be used for parking permits for staff, additional cost associated with meal plans, construction of spaces and canopies, relocation of DSU staff, utility costs and other costs associated with the operation of the school. Funds are available from SB 3006, Laws of 2024 and SB 2468, Laws of 2024. 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. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Services Agreement with Aramark Healthcare Support Services, LLC (Aramark) to provide management of UMMC’s food service program, including patient food, retail food, and nutrition services on the Jackson, Grenada, and Holmes County campuses. The Board approved the request for the institution to amend the agreement as needed to add or remove the facilities covered by the agreement, without seeking prior board approval as long as it does not increase the approved expenditure level. The term of the agreement is five (5) years and three (3) months, from November 1, 2024, through January 31, 2030. Aramark will begin providing services to UMMC on February 1, 2025. The period from November 1, 2024 to February 1, 2025 will be a transition period which will allow Aramark to assume all aspects of UMMC’s food service program. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the five (5) year and three (3) month term is \$75,325,000. Beginning in year two (2), UMMC has included annual increases of five percent (5%) for services and three percent (3%) for volume. Aramark may increase service fees by up to five (5%) percent per year. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board also approved the request for the institution to prepay the estimated contract cost at the beginning of each month. This contract 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.

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3. **JSU** – Approved the request to grant retroactive approval of a new Solid Waste Services Agreement with BFI Waste Services, LLC. d/b/a Republic Services of Jackson (Republic) to provide solid waste removal, disposal, and recycling services at JSU’s main campus, the JSU Downtown 101 Building and the Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add and/or remove locations specified in the Agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of this Agreement is five (5) years beginning October 1, 2024, with the option to renew for three (3) consecutive one (1) year terms, through September 30, 2029. The estimated cost of the contract is \$4,088,626.65. 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.
4. **UM** – Approved the request to enter a contract with First Data Merchant Services (First Data) and PNC Bank, National Association (Bank) for credit card merchant processing services while reducing payment transaction fees and administrative costs and improving payment card industry compliance. This Agreement commences on the later of the dates it is signed by First Data or the University and will continue for an initial term of 5 years. The total amount of this contract shall not exceed \$3,000,000. The contract will be funded by E&G 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. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend the Informatics Service Agreement with Philips Healthcare Informatics, Inc. (Philips) to extend the term of the current agreement. The agreement provides hardware, software license and upgrades, image storage, disaster recovery, and maintenance support services for the Intellispace PACS (PACS) system used at UMMC for radiology services imaging and archiving. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove services from the agreement without requiring prior submission for Board approval, so long as it does not exceed the approved expenditure level. The term of the amended agreement is eleven (11) years from November 20, 2014 through November 19, 2025. The original term of the contract was five (5) years, from November 20, 2014 through November 19, 2019. The total estimated cost of the amended agreement over the eleven (11) year term is \$23,653,160. The anticipated cost of Amendment 4 is \$2,019,845. The original estimated cost of the agreement was \$9,219,140. 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.
6. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new purchase agreement with Integra LifeSciences Sales LLC (Integra) to purchase biologic and biosynthetic wound dressings for the treatment of advance wounds and burns. The agreement is for the purchase of products for the care of advanced wounds and burns. The Integra products are needed for the treatment of third degree burns as well as the repair of scar contractures. 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 adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is three (3) years from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2027. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the three (3) year term is \$22,000,000.00.

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UMMC has included a fifteen percent (15%) increase in years 2 and 3 for potential patient volume growth. 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.

7. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a new Staffing Services Agreement with Medical Solutions, L.L.C. (Medical Solutions) for augmentation of nursing, nursing assistants, therapists, technologists and technicians to be utilized on an as-needed basis at all UMMC locations. The term of the agreement is three (3) years, from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2027. The total estimated cost of the agreement over the three (3) year term is \$54,000,000. 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.

**REAL ESTATE AGENDA**

Presented by Trustee Gregg Rader, Chair

On motion by Trustee Rader, seconded by Trustee Clark, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #1 - #3 as submitted on the Real Estate Agenda. On motion by Trustee Rader, seconded by Trustee Cummings, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #4.

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved for first reading the proposed amendments to Board Policy 902 Initiation of Construction Projects, as follows:

**902 Initiation of Construction Projects**

~~The Board must approve the initiation of a project for the construction of new facilities, repairs and renovations to existing facilities and requests for a capital outlay (“Construction Projects”) requires the approval of the Board, the office of Real Estate and Facilities, or the Institutional Executive Officer, with a total budget exceeding \$1,000,000 regardless of how these projects are financed. It is the intent of the Board that its appropriate staff under the direction of the Commissioner shall be involved in all phases of building projects requiring approval by the Board. All construction, repairs and renovation projects with a total budget of \$1,000,000 or less may be approved by the Institutional Executive Officer. However, all projects utilizing any state bond funds, including Ayers funds, must be initiated with STAFF approval from the Office of Real Estate and Facilities. No further approvals are required by IHL staff for projects of \$1,000,000 or less unless the budget changes. All budget changes for these projects must be reported to the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.~~

For Mississippi State University, the University of Mississippi, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center, the Board must approve the initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget exceeding \$5,000,000. Initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget exceeding \$3,000,000 but equal to or less than \$5,000,000 must be approved by the appropriate staff in the Office of Real Estate and Facilities and reported to the Board as an Information item at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget of \$3,000,000 or less may be approved by the Institutional Executive Officer. However, the Office of Real Estate and Facilities must be notified before the initiation of all Construction Projects utilizing any state appropriated, state bond or federal funds with a total project budget less than \$3,000,000. This notification should be on forms established by the Office of Real Estate and Facilities. After

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notification, only changes in the project budget need to be reported to the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

For Jackson State University and the University of Southern Mississippi (including Gulf Coast campuses), the Board must approve the initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget exceeding \$3,000,000. Initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget exceeding \$1,000,000 but equal to or less than \$3,000,000 must be approved by the appropriate staff in the Office of Real Estate and Facilities and reported to the Board as an Information item at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget of \$1,000,000 or less may be approved by the Institutional Executive Officer. However, the Office of Real Estate and Facilities must be notified before the initiation of all Construction Projects utilizing any state appropriated, state bond or federal funds with a total project budget less than \$3,000,000. This notification should be on forms established by the Office of Real Estate and Facilities. After notification, only changes in the project budget need to be reported to the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

For Alcorn State University, Delta State University, Mississippi University for Women, Mississippi Valley State University, and the Education and Research Center, the Board must approve the initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget exceeding \$1,000,000. Initiation of all Construction Projects with a total project budget of \$1,000,000 or less may be approved by the Institutional Executive Officer. However, the Office of Real Estate and Facilities must be notified before the initiation of all Construction Projects utilizing any state appropriated, state bond or federal funds with a total project budget less than \$1,000,000. This notification should be on forms established by the Office of Real Estate and Facilities. After notification, only changes in the project budget need to be reported to the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

2. **SYSTEM** – Approved for first reading the proposed amendments to Board Policy 904(A) Board Approval, as follows:  
**904 Board Approval**

- A. ~~When funding has been secured from whatever source, each institution shall bring all new projects to the Board for the approval of the project initiation and the appointment of a design professional, as required in Board Policy §902, Initiation of Construction Projects. This request shall include a detailed description of the work to be accomplished (building program), the total budget, the funding source and the design professional recommended to the Board for approval.~~

For projects requiring approval by the Board or the Office of Real Estate and Facilities under Board Policy §902, Initiation of Construction Projects, the institution's request shall include a detailed description of the work to be accomplished, the total budget, and the proposed funding source(s). The institution's request must also seek approval for the appointment of the design professional and any construction manager or similar service contract in which advisory services are being provided to the institution in connection with the project. All contracts for Commissioning Agent services on construction projects approved by the Board shall be approved by the appropriate staff within the Office of Real Estate and Facilities and reported to the Board as an information item at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

It is the intent of the Board that its appropriate Office of Real Estate and Facilities staff under the direction of the Commissioner shall be involved in all phases of building projects requiring approval by the Board or the Office of Real Estate and Facilities. For projects requiring approval by the Board under Board Policy §902, no further Board action is required after approval of the ~~After the Board has granted approval of both the initiation of a project and the appointment of a~~

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~~specified professionals design professional, no further Board action or approval is required for the completion of the project~~ if the following conditions are met:

1. The detailed description of the work to be accomplished, as specifically approved by the Board within the project initiation, has not changed;
2. The total project budget has not increased beyond the amount specifically approved by the Board as part of the project initiation;
3. The funding source has not changed from that specifically approved by the Board as part of the project initiation; and
4. The design professional previously approved by the Board has not changed.

If the above four conditions have been met, the Office of Board's Real Estate and Facilities staff, through the Commissioner, shall have the authority to approve any and all necessary documents related to the completion of the subject construction project, including the approval of schematic design documents, design development documents, construction documents, the advertisement and receipt of bids, the approval of a bid, the award of a contract and any change orders. For projects requiring approval by the Office of Real Estate and Facilities under Board Policy §902, that office shall have the authority to approve any and all necessary documents for the completion of the subject construction project.

Prior to entering the construction document stage of a construction project, the institution must receive the commencement of construction the Board approval for ~~must approve~~ the exterior design of any ~~the~~ major buildings that have aesthetic impact on the overall campus, regardless of the cost of the project. This requirement applies to all buildings and facilities on an institution's property even if the land is leased to an institution's affiliated entity or other entity ~~a private developer.~~

3. **SYSTEM** – Approved for first reading the proposed amendments to Board Policy 903(B) Legislative Funding Requests, as follows:

**903 Planning and Funding Requests**

**B. Legislative Funding Requests**

It is the policy of the Board of Trustees to offer a unified funding request to the Legislature that represents the funding needs of all institutions in a fair and transparent manner. Therefore, the Board has determined the following parameters by which institutions may make funding requests of the Legislature. The Commissioner, after consultation with the Institutional Executive Officers, shall prepare and submit an annual request for capital improvements and repair and renovation for approval by the Board prior to its submission to the Legislature. ~~These requests~~ The annual request shall be submitted as a multi-year capital facilities funding plan for Board approval in May of each year prior to the Legislative Session. In developing ~~the list of requests~~ the annual capital facilities funding plan, the Commissioner shall consider institutional priorities, missions, enrollment, campus square footage, building conditions, comparative funding and other appropriate criteria. The Board shall then approve and furnish to the Legislature each year a ~~priority list of funding plan for the~~ capital improvements and repair and renovation projects for all institutions under its control. Projects, priorities, and requests which are not approved by the Board as part of the capital facilities funding plan shall not be submitted to the Legislature by any institution unless otherwise approved by the Commissioner on behalf of the Board. ~~In addition, priorities and requests of the individual institutions may not be presented or communicated to any individual legislators without the prior approval of the Board.~~ Any subsequent approval authorized by the Commissioner on behalf of the

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Board shall be provided by the Institutional Executive Officer as an information item at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The Board approved ~~priority lists~~ capital facilities funding plan ~~of~~ for capital improvement and repair and renovation projects will be submitted to the Governor's Office of General Services and the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management through the Board's Real Estate and Facilities Office.

4. **SYSTEM** – Approved the capital facilities bond plan of proposed funding for the 2025 Legislative Session. Each university prepared a list of top five capital needs that were submitted to the IHL Board staff. These needs are reflected in the bond plan and funding is proposed based on evaluation of these priorities in comparison to the overall system needs. The proposed bond plan is for the 2025 Legislative Session with projections into future sessions for 2026 and 2027 for the Board's information. **(See Exhibit 1.)**

**LEGAL AGENDA**

Presented by Trustee Gee Ogletree, Chair

Trustee Clark recused himself from discussing or voting on item #1 on the Legal Agenda by remaining out of the room while discussion and vote occurred regarding the same. After Trustee Clark left the room, on motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, with Trustees Clark and Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #1 as submitted on the Legal Agenda. Trustee Clark returned to the room following the discussion and vote on item #1 on the Legal Agenda. Trustee Cummings recused herself from discussing or voting on items #2 and #3 on the Legal Agenda by remaining out of the room while discussion and vote occurred regarding the same. After Trustee Cummings left the room, on motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Heidelberg, with Trustees Cummings and Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to move items #2 and #3 to the Executive Session Agenda. Trustee Cummings returned to the room following the discussion and vote on items #2 and #3 on the Legal Agenda.

1. **UMMC** – Pending approval by the Office of the Attorney General, the Board approved the request to amend its contract for legal services with the law firm of Butler Snow LLP as outside counsel to advise on intellectual property matters, healthcare regulatory and compliance matters, healthcare administrative hearings, human resources issues, and commercial and general matters. The IHL Board approved this contract at its June 2023 regular meeting for a term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 with a maximum amount payable of \$1,600,000.00 over the two-year term of the agreement. UMMC has experienced an unanticipated increase in services required and, as such, requests approval to increase the maximum amount payable under the term of the agreement to \$2,500,000.00. The hourly rate from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 will remain \$345 for attorneys, \$235 for healthcare policy, compliance and coding advisors, and \$135 for paralegal services, and all other provisions of the existing agreement will remain unchanged.
2. **UMMC** – Request to settle Tort Claim No. 3543. **(THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.)**

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3. **UMMC** – Request to settle Tort Claim No. 3649. **(THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.)**

**INFORMATION AGENDAS**

Presented by Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr.

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

1. **SYSTEM** – Intent to offer, modify, or delete the following certificate programs:

Offer

- a. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Business Analytics  
Responsible academic unit: College of Health Sciences, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 15  
CIP code: 30.7102  
Effective date: August 2024
- b. **MSU** – Certificate program title: Addictions Counseling  
Responsible academic unit: Division of Education, Meridian campus  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 12  
CIP code: 42.9999  
Effective date: May 2024
- c. **USM** – Certificate program title: Foundations in Accounting  
Responsible academic unit: College of Business and Economic Development, School of Accountancy  
Level: pre-baccalaureate, post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 12  
CIP code: 52.0301  
Effective date: August 2024

Modify

- d. **UMMC** – Current certificate program title: Biochemistry  
New certificate program title: Molecular Medicine  
Responsible academic unit: School of Graduate Studies in Health Sciences  
Level: pre-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 11-14  
CIP code: 26.0202, 8101  
Effective date: May 2024

Delete

- e. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Endorsement: Emotional Disabilities  
Responsible academic unit: College of Education and Human Development  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 15

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- CIP code: 13.1005, 8107  
Effective date: August 2024
- f. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Endorsement: Gifted K-12  
Responsible academic unit: College of Education and Human Development  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 15  
CIP code: 13.1004, 8106  
Effective date: August 2024
- g. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Endorsement: K-3  
Responsible academic unit: College of Education and Human Development  
Level: post-master’s  
Total credit hours: 18  
CIP code: 13.1202, 8103  
Effective date: August 2024
- h. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Endorsement: K-6  
Responsible academic unit: College of Education and Human Development  
Level: post-master’s  
Total credit hours: 18  
CIP code: 13.1209, 8104  
Effective date: August 2024
- i. **JSU** – Certificate program title: Endorsement: Mild/Moderate 7-12  
Responsible academic unit: College of Education and Human Development  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
Total credit hours: 18  
CIP code: 13.1018, 8105  
Effective date: August 2024
- j. **UMMC** – Certificate program title: Analytics  
Level: post-baccalaureate  
CIP code: 30.7101, 8133  
Effective date: September 2024
- k. **UMMC** – Certificate program title: Magnetic Resonance Imaging  
Level: pre-baccalaureate  
CIP code: 51.0920, 8064  
Effective date: September 2024
- l. **UMMC** – Certificate program title: Nuclear Medicine Technology  
Level: pre-baccalaureate  
CIP code: 51.0905, 8013  
Effective date: September 2024
- m. **UMMC** – Certificate program title: Orthotics and Prosthetics Residency  
Level: pre-baccalaureate  
CIP code: 51.2307, 8065  
Effective date: September 2024



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2. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the annual report on institutional accreditation. A table summarizing the system accreditation activity for the period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024 is included in the bound *October 17, 2024 Board Working File*.

**FINANCE**

3. **SYSTEM** – In accordance with the *JAKE AYERS, JR. ET.AL. and United States of America v RONNIE MUSGROVE, GOVERNOR, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, ET.AL.* Settlement (aka: *Ayers Settlement Agreement*), the Board, through its counsel, shall provide to lead counsel for the private plaintiffs and counsel for the United States an annual disclosure report reflecting specified line-item information. This document is due October 1 of each year and has been presented to the Court.
4. **MUW** – The University has entered a grant agreement with the Mississippi Department of Education for the purpose of providing funds appropriated by the 2024 Mississippi Legislature in House Bill 1823 for the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science. The time period for the grant is July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

**REAL ESTATE**

5. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Real Estate items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the September 19, 2024 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval. (See **Exhibit 2.**)

**LEGAL**

6. **SYSTEM** – The Board received a report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel. (See **Exhibit 3.**)

**ADMINISTRATION/POLICY**

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. **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 September 9, 2024, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the revisions to the On Campus Budget for Fiscal Year 2024. The IHL Executive Office financial staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. The revision contains no increases in total budgets but rather a reallocation among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
  - b. **UM** – On September 30, 2024 Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Stormwater Detention and Drainage Easement between the University of Mississippi and the City of Oxford, Mississippi for the construction of a stormwater detention and drainage pond to meet the City’s stormwater detention ordinance. The university will receive a nonmonetary benefit to downstream UM property by the construction of this detention and drainage pond. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management reviewed this item and

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found it compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.

- c. **USM** – On September 26, 2024, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Lease Agreement between the University of Southern Mississippi and ANewSouth Properties, LLC for approximately 1,760 square feet of space located at 370 Courthouse Road, Suite 101, Gulfport, Mississippi for USM’s Gulfport location of the Mississippi Early Childhood Inclusion Center Resource and Referral Office. The term of this lease is one year effective October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, with a total annual cost of \$24,000 payable in monthly installments of \$2,000 each due on the first of each month. This lease is funded by a grant from the Mississippi Department of Human Services. USM has confirmed that the lease is in compliance with the terms of that grant and is otherwise a legally permissible use of the grant funds. The IHL Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management reviewed this item and found it compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval for Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.

**PERSONNEL**

8. **Sabbatical**

**Mississippi State University**

**FROM:** Sawsan Abutabenjeh; Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Administration; *from* salary \$86,700.00 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary \$43,350.00 per annum, pro rata for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 16, 2024, to December 31, 2024; professional development  
*[Originally approved by IHL Board March 21, 2024]*

**CORRECTED:** This item was rescinded.

**University of Mississippi**

**FROM:** Rory Ledbetter; Associate Professor of Theatre Arts; salary \$69,184 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary during sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 21, 2025 to May 10, 2025; professional development  
*[Originally approved by IHL Board February 15, 2024]*

**CORRECTED:** This item was rescinded.

**REAL ESTATE  
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Committee members participated in the meeting in person or via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gregg Rader at approximately 2:00 p.m. The following items were discussed.

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1. The Committee discussed the three proposed policies and the bond plan for the 2025 Legislative Session as presented in the October 2024 Board Book. **No action was taken.**
2. On motion by Trustee Hubbard, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustees Cummings and Luckey absent and not voting and with Trustees Griffith, Martin, and Parker participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn.

The following Committee members were present: Mr. Gregg Rader (Chair), Mr. Don Clark, Jr., Dr. Steven Cunningham, Mr. Jerry L. Griffith (via Zoom), Mr. Jimmy Heidelberg, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Hal Parker (via Zoom), and Mr. Charlie Stephenson. Dr. Ormella Cummings and Ms. Jeanne Luckey were absent.

**HEALTH AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE REPORT  
Wednesday, October 16, 2024**

Committee members participated in the meeting in person or via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Steven Cunningham at approximately 3:00 p.m. The following items were discussed.

3. The Committee discussed monthly financial summary and the Asylum Hill project. **No action was taken.**
4. Executive Session

On motion by Trustee Clark, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustees Cummings and Luckey absent and not voting and with Trustee Martin 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 Clark, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, with Trustee Cummings, Luckey, Parker, and Rader absent and not voting and with Trustee Martin 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 prospective strategic business decisions of a public hospital including the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of land and the location, relocation or expansion of medical services for the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

**During Executive Session, the following matters were discussed:**

The Committee discussed prospective strategic business decisions of a public hospital including the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of land and the location, relocation or expansion of medical services for the University of Mississippi Medical Center. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Heidelberg, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, with Trustee Cummings, Luckey, and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustee Martin participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to open session.

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5. On motion by Trustee Hubbard, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Cummings, Luckey, and Parker absent and not voting and with Trustee Martin participating via Zoom, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn.

The following Committee members were present: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Mr. Don Clark, Jr., Mr. Jerry L. Griffith, Mr. Jimmy Heidelberg, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Mr. Charlie Stephenson. Dr. Ormella Cummings, Ms. Jeanne Luckey, and Mr. Hal Parker were absent.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

- President Martin announced the next Board meeting will be November 21, 2024.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Stephenson, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an Executive Session.

Trustee Cummings recused herself from discussing or voting on UMMC Tort Claim Settlement #3543 by leaving the room while discussion and vote occurred regarding the same. After Trustee Cummings left the room, President Martin announced the following topics to be discussed:

Two University of Mississippi Medical Center Tort Claim settlements involving pending litigation, the discussion of which in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of UMMC; and

Two Mississippi Valley State University items consisting of discussion regarding the job performance of a person holding a specific position at MVSU.

On motion by Trustee Rader, seconded by Trustee Griffith, with Trustees Cummings and Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes above.

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

With Trustee Cummings out of the room the Board discussed the proposed settlement of Tort Claim #3543. On motion by Trustee Clark, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustees Cummings and Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the settlement of Tort Claim #3543 styled as *Savannah Sue Odom and Kennan Smith, parents and wrongful death beneficiaries of a minor vs. the University of Mississippi Medical Center, et al.*, as recommended by counsel. Trustee Cummings returned to the room following the discussion and vote on the proposed settlement of Tort Claim #3543.

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On motion Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Heidelberg, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the settlement of Tort Claim #3649 styled as *Marphena McNair, Montarro T. Collins, Sr., Monkenly B. McNair, Ziya B. McNair, Trinity A. Collins, Amonti K. Collins, and Kymon A. Collins, wrongful death beneficiaries of Montarro Collins, Jr. vs. the University of Mississippi Medical Center, et al.*, as recommended by counsel.

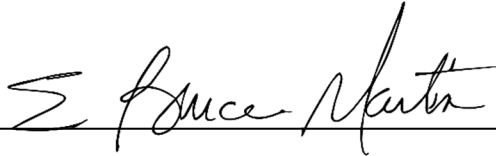
On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stephenson, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the request for Dr. Jerryl Briggs, President of Mississippi Valley State University, to serve on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority-Serving Institutions Federal Advisory Council.

The Board discussed a personnel matter regarding the job performance of a person holding a specific position at Mississippi Valley State University. **No action was taken.**

**On motion by Trustee Heidelberg, seconded by Trustee Cummings, with Trustee Luckey absent and not voting, 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 Cummings, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustee Luckey 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

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**EXHIBITS**

- Exhibit 1      Capital facilities bond plan of proposed funding for the 2025 Legislative Session.
  
- Exhibit 2      Real Estate items that were approved by the IHL Board staff subsequent to the September 19, 2024 Board meeting.
  
- Exhibit 3      Report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel.

# EXHIBIT 1

## PROPOSED 4-YEAR BOND PLAN FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (Summary of 2024-2027 Legislative Sessions)

Institution	Anticipated Project Title	2024 Legislative Session (Funds Received)	2025 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2026 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2027 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	Grand Total
Alcorn State University	Whitney Complex & Wellness Center	\$ 8,311,736.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,311,736.00
	R&R Upgrades to Existing Facilities	\$ -	\$ 5,108,264.00	\$ 7,500,000.00	\$ 6,500,000.00	\$ 19,108,264.00
	Walter Washington Adm. & Classroom Renovation Phase I (PrePlan and Funding for Project)	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000.00
	Renovation of K.L. Simmons Technology Building, Phase I (PrePlan and Funding for Project)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 3,250,000.00	\$ 3,750,000.00
	ADA Modifications, Phase II	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Faculty and Staff Housing, Phase II (Partial Funding of a \$13.5M project)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 8,311,736.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,608,264.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 35,420,000.00</b>
ASU-AG	Poultry/Animal Science Academic Research Center, Phase I	\$ -	\$ 3,570,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,570,000.00
	Ag. Facility Envelope & Infrastructure Repairs, Phase I (Pre-Plan of a \$2.3M Project)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 570,000.00	\$ 570,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,570,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 570,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,140,000.00</b>
Delta State University	Campus Wide Roofing Project [Funded]	\$ 4,020,808.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,020,808.00
	Renovation, Upgrades and Demolition of Campus Buildings (Planning and Construction)		\$ 6,859,192.00	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 9,000,000.00	\$ 20,859,192.00
	HVAC and Electrical Upgrades	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,540,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,540,000.00
	Renovation of Ward and Cleveland Hall	\$ 6,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 10,020,808.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,859,192.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,540,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 35,420,000.00</b>
Jackson State University	McAllister Residential Renovation, Alternative Water Resources and Campus R&R [Funded]	\$ 16,020,794.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,020,794.00
	Repair, Renovation and Purchase of a New Residential Hall	\$ 7,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000,000.00
	General R&R		\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 1,919,206.00	\$ 5,919,206.00
	T.B. Ellis Interior Renovations	\$ -	\$ 6,500,000.00	\$ 6,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ 13,000,000.00
	Heritage Renovations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 5,500,000.00	\$ 6,000,000.00
	Campus Safety Project	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Rose E. McCoy Repair and Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 23,020,794.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,419,206.00</b>
Mississippi State University	New Facility for College of Architecture, Art and Design	\$ 13,284,608.00	\$ 1,716,000.00			\$ 15,000,608.00
	South Campus Mechanical Plant		\$ 25,000,000.00			\$ 25,000,000.00
	Multiple New Facilities (Pre-Plan)			\$ 3,000,000.00		\$ 3,000,000.00
	Renovation of Existing Facilities [Magruder, Carpenter, Hull, Etheredge Hall or Similar] (Partial Funding of a \$24M Project)			\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ 5,850,000.00	\$ 15,850,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 13,284,608.00</b>	<b>\$ 26,716,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,850,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 58,850,608.00</b>

# EXHIBIT 1

## PROPOSED 4-YEAR BOND PLAN FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (Summary of 2024-2027 Legislative Sessions)

Institution	Anticipated Project Title	2024 Legislative Session (Funds Received)	2025 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2026 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2027 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	Grand Total
Mississippi State University -DAFVM	Bost Extension Center/Technology Renovation and Dorman Hall [Funded]	\$ 10,231,362.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,231,362.00
	Bost Extension Center Technology Renovation	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000.00
	Multiple New Facilities (PrePlan and Partial Funding of a larger project, budget TBD)	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 5,250,000.00	\$ 5,250,000.00	\$ 11,000,000.00
	Wise Center	\$ 18,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,000,000.00
	Transforming MAFES Research & Extension Center Infrastructure (PrePlan and Partial Funding of a \$16M project)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,750,000.00	\$ 1,750,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 28,231,362.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 52,731,362.00</b>
Mississippi University for Women	General R&R	\$ 3,160,000.00	\$ 3,650,000.00	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 7,110,000.00
	Painter Hall Renovation	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 11,350,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,650,000.00
	Old Pohl Gym Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,080,000.00	\$ -	\$ 9,080,000.00
	Hogarth Center Renovation [Partial Funding of a \$22.7M Project]	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,580,000.00	\$ 7,580,000.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 3,460,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,080,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,880,000.00</b>
Mississippi Valley State University	New Residence Hall [EBC Bonds to fund balance of project]	\$ 8,856,405.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,856,405.00
	O.P. Lowe Education Building [Preplan and Partial Funding]	\$ -	\$ 282,595.00	\$ 8,000,000.00	\$ 8,000,000.00	\$ 16,282,595.00
	General R&R	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 10,000,000.00
	Walter Sillers Fine Arts Building [Pre-Plan]	\$ -	\$ 281,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 281,000.00
	F.L. Wright Math and Science Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Infrastructure R&R	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 8,856,405.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,563,595.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000.00</b>
University of Mississippi	School of Accountancy	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000.00	\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ 12,288,523.00	\$ 42,288,523.00
	New Research Facility	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Data Center Renovation and Power Plant [Funded]	\$ 16,561,477.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,561,477.00
	Northwest Mechanical Plant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Shoemaker Hall Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Peabody Hall Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 16,561,477.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,288,523.00</b>
University of Mississippi Medical Center	Critical Infrastructure Needs & Campus Repairs	\$ 7,085,124.00	\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ 15,250,000.00	\$ 17,344,876.00	\$ 49,680,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 7,085,124.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,250,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,344,876.00</b>	<b>\$ 49,680,000.00</b>
University of Southern Mississippi	Science Research Building and Central Mechanical Plant [\$57M of a \$100M Project Received]	\$ 18,627,686.00	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ 26,627,686.00
	General R&R	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 8,000,000.00	\$ 17,000,000.00
	Hickman Hall Renovation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,722,314.00	\$ 14,722,314.00
	Southern Hall Renovation (Pre-Planning)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 500,000.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 19,627,686.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 23,222,314.00</b>



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## PROPOSED 4-YEAR BOND PLAN FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (Summary of 2024-2027 Legislative Sessions)

Institution	Anticipated Project Title	2024 Legislative Session (Funds Received)	2025 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2026 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	2027 Legislative Session (Funds Requested)	Grand Total
University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Coast Campuses	GCRL- General R&R	\$ 567,500.00	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 3,167,500.00
	Gulf Park - General R&R	\$ 681,000.00	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 3,281,000.00
	GCRL - Short Term Housing Replacement	\$ -	\$ 700,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700,000.00
	Stennis Space Center R&R	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 900,000.00
	Gulf Park Campus Research and Science District Pre-Planning & Infrastructure Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 151,500.00	\$ 1,151,500.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 1,248,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,400,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,300,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,251,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,200,000.00</b>
Education & Research Center	Repair and Replacement of Fire Detection and Suppression System <b>[Funded]</b>	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00
	Campus Site Drainage and General R&R	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000.00
	First Floor Window Replacement at ERC Tower and Universities Center	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00
	ETV/JSU Mechanical/Electrical Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000.00
	ERC Plumbing Replacement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$ 500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,500,000.00</b>
<b>System Total</b>		<b>\$ 140,208,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 126,217,051.00</b>	<b>\$ 113,670,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 114,326,419.00</b>	<b>\$ 494,421,970.00</b>

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## **SYSTEM: REAL ESTATE ITEMS APPROVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024, 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-IHL 201-257 – GREENHOUSE RENOVATIONS**

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #2**

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$26,750.00 and thirty (30) additional days to the contract of Barnard and Sons Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following: changes to the lighting controls for the grow lights; added provisions for fiber & wireless access points; and thirty (30) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: This change order was necessary due to user/owner requested modifications and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$31,036.00.

Project Initiation Date: May 19, 2022

Design Professional: Duplantis Design Group

General Contractor: Barnard and Sons Construction, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$2,339,302.00

### **2. ASU-IHL 201-259 – POULTRY PROCESSING & INCINERTOR SHED RENOVATIONS**

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #2**

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$46,409.00 and forty-five (45) additional days to the contract of Barnard and Sons Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following: provided empty conduit underneath a fence at the south end of the building for future "IT" wiring; electrical revisions at the incinerator shed and prefabricated the garage to the house; electrical revisions/additions for "IT" requirements in the storage room; demolished the existing concrete and installed a new heavy duty entry driveway at the south end of the site and also

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at the north end of the site; retrofitting of an existing electrical feeder line to the surface of the grade in the area where heavy duty paving for the driveway is to occur; and forty-five (45) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: This change order was necessary due to user/owner requested modifications and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$62,171.00.

Project Initiation Date: May 19, 2022

Design Professional: Vernell Barnes Architects

General Contractor: Barnard and Sons Construction, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$2,031,900.00

### 3. ASU IHL 201-264 – MATT THOMAS, JR. GARDEN APARTMENT RENOVATIONS -PHASE 1

#### **Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents**

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Canizaro , Cawthon, and Davis

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

#### **Approval Request #2: Waiver Design Development Documents**

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Canizaro, Cawthon, and Davis.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2023

Design Professional: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$1,631,000.00

## MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

### 4. MSU-GS 105-366– 20-INCH SEWER FORCE MAIN – PHASE 2

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #1**

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the credit amount of \$104,518.28 and twenty-eight (28) additional days to the contract of Eubank Construction Company.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: design and layout changes to the force main system to include quantity adjustments for pipe, fittings, roadway bores, and paving items; removal of roadway bore, added a new directional drill with HDPE piping, deduct for reduction in the scope of aggregate backfill requirements, added flowable fill to abandoned force main and repair of the existing force main; and twenty-eight (28) days to the contract, ten of these days are weather-related days.

Change Order Justification: This change order was necessary due to latent job site conditions and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total credit amount of \$104,518.28.

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Project Initiation Date: April 20, 2023  
Design Professional: Garver Engineering  
General Contractor: Eubank Construction Company  
Total Project Budget: \$3,175,000.00

## 5. **MSU-IHL 205-283– ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS TO HUMPHREY COLISEUM PH 1**

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #12**

Board staff approved Change Order #12 in the credit amount of \$347,913.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Thrash Commercial Contractors, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 2, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #12 includes the following: Installed a temporary portable court floor for the 2022-2023 basketball season; refinished the temporary portable court floor and transported back to Tupelo Covington Flooring; provided carpet around the perimeter of the temporary portable court floor; installed a new wood playing court; added additional white glazing for the court logo and lane/cable tray cuts.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Twelve (12) change orders for a total amount of \$2,326,595.13.

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

## 6. **MSU-IHL 205-334– RCU RENOVATIONS**

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #4**

Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$113,021.92 and twenty-one (21) additional days to the contract of Ethos Contracting Group, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 26, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following: added a hall light switch; miscellaneous architectural demolition & installation; relocated area B HVAC wall unit to a storage area; floor plan change to area B; area A expansion joint assembly; area B existing door replacement; area B door modifications to move the channel in the header; repaired the sheetrock; and twenty-one (21) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: This change order was necessary due to latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Four (4) change orders for a total amount of \$241,902.88.

Project Initiation Date: April 20, 2023

Design Professional: MP Design Group

General Contractor: Ethos Contracting Group, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$2,000,000.00

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7. **MSU IHL 205-338 – WINGO WAY EXTENDED**

**Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents**

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

**Approval Request #2: Waiver Design Development Documents**

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2023

Design Professional: Neel-Schaffer, Inc.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$6,150,000.00

8. **MSU IHL 205-349 – REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS TO ETHERIDGE HALL**

**Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents**

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Dunaway Williams

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2023

Design Professional: Dunaway Williams

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$175,000.00 (Design Fees Only)

9. **MSU IHL 205-354 – NPHC PLAZA**

**Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents**

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Christian Preus Landscape Architecture

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

**Approval Request #2: Waiver Design Development Documents**

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Christian Preus Landscape Architecture

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2023

Design Professional: Christian Preus Landscape Architecture

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$250,000.00 (Design Fees Only)

10. **MSU IHL 405-002 – JIM AND THOMAS DUFF CENTER**

**Approval Request #2: Change Order #6**

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the credit amount of \$140,682.00 and six (6) additional days to the contract of AnderCorp, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 23, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following: reconciled the brick allowance; redesigned the window shades to include revision of the operation and omitted

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the roller shades; installed two (2) stainless steel strips at the terrazzo stairs, in lieu of the specified epoxy abrasive strips; switched the equipment yard gates from the original designed gates to the Ameristar Aegis II.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$693,213.70.

Project Initiation Date: March 1, 2019

Design Professional: Dale Partners Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: AnderCorp, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$65,000,000.00

## 11. **MSU IHL 405-003B – CAAD – HOWELL HALL RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS**

### **Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents**

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Belinda Stewart Architects & Wier Boerner Allin Architects – A Joint Venture.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 19, 2021

Design Professional: Belinda Stewart Architects & Wier Boerner Allin Architects – A Joint Venture

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$26,962,500.00

Total Project Budget: \$35,732,500.00

## 12. **MSU-IHL 405-004 – HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING DATA CENTER**

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #5**

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$53,174.28 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of West Brothers Construction.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, August 27, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following: excavate 68' of roadway from Technology Blvd. to the start of the Entomology parking lot; lime stabilized sub-grade & installed 6" of crushed limestone; extended the concrete curb/gutter 25' from the current contract drawing limits, to the existing Entomology Building parking lot curb on the north side of the entrance drive; installed 4" of asphalt base course & 2" of asphalt wearing surface course; installed pavement markings at the stop sign at Technology Blvd. and a double yellow centerline on the new asphalt pavement; installed metal stud & drywall column wraps at seven(7) locations in the building interior; and provided a wide stile aluminum storefront door, in lieu of the narrow stile door.

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

### **Approval Request #2: Change Order #6**

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$16,031.35 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of West Brothers Construction.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 10, 2024

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Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following: changed the VRF unit in the Pre-Function room from a ceiling cassette to a ducted unit.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$354,120.29.

Project Initiation Date: October 19, 2020

Design Professional: Dale Partners Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: West Brothers Construction

Total Project Budget: \$45,000,000.00

## 13. **MSU-IHL 413-001 – BALLEW HALL RENOVATION**

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #5**

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$133,924.88 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Ethos Contracting Group, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 23, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following: leveled floor for finishes; added LVT material; installed a knee wall at the east entrance; added an additional roof drain at the new expansion joint; tuckpointing of the existing stone band; replaced green tiles; fiber communication routing and cable changes performed; fire-rated access panel and door access control cabling was added; credit for F-Mold trim, landscaping and casework deletions; blinds changed to cordless lift blinds; storm drain was extended to an existing ditch; added power and data for new copiers and refrigerators; fire line was moved to make room for a projector; the new steel columns were painted; removed glass from mechanical room double doors; repairs to asphalt structure; added strobes and CO detectors; added a wood base in lieu of a rubber base; installed a new light fixture; and adjusted an existing storm sewer top.

Change Order Justification: This change order was necessary due to changes in requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies; errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions, and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Five (5) change orders for a total amount of \$513,374.71.

Project Initiation Date: August 20, 2020

Design Professional: Belinda Stewart Architects

General Contractor: Ethos Contracting Group, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$13,000,000.00

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## 14. **MUW- GS 104-215 – JONES HALL RENOVATIONS**

### **Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents**

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Shafer Zahner Zahner

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Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 6, 2024

Project Initiation Date: March 21, 2024

Design Professional: Shafer Zahner Zahner

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$7,500,000.00

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### 15. **UM- IHL 207-492.2 – OXFORD-UNIVERSITY STADIUM EXPANSION-PHASE 2**

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #1**

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the credit amount of \$65,311.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Ford Audio-Video Systems, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 12, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: deduct to correspond with the reduced scope of work

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total credit amount of \$65,311.00.

Project Initiation Date: January 19, 2023

Design Professional: Cooke, Douglass, Farr, Lemons Architects + Engineers, P.A.

CMA: ICM, LLC

General Contractor: Ford Audio-Video Systems, LLC

Phased project Budget: \$3,180,953.00

Total Project Budget: \$30,000,000.00

### 16. **UM- IHL 207-498 – NW MECHANICAL PLANT (MECHANICAL PHASE III)**

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #1**

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$89,281.50 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Codaray Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: special structural inspection performed.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$89,281.50.

Project Initiation Date: January 6, 2023

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects

General Contractor: Codaray Construction, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$31,400,000.00



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## 17. UM- IHL 207-502 NEW PARKING STRUCTURE

### **Approval Request #1: Contract Documents**

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy Architects

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 2, 2024

### **Approval Request #2: Advertise**

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 2, 2024

Project Initiation Date: October 19, 2023

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects

General Contractor: Innovative Construction Management, LLC – Construction Manager  
Advisor

Total Project Budget: \$55,400,308.00

## 18. UM- IHL 207-506 SHOEMAKER HVAC REPLACEMENT

### **Approval Request #1: Contract Documents**

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Corbett Legge & Associates, PLLC

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 2, 2024

### **Approval Request #2: Advertise**

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 2, 2024

Project Initiation Date: October 19, 2023

Design Professional: Corbett Legge & Associates

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$1,500,000.00

## 19. UM – IHL 407-001.2 – CSTI FAULKNER MEMORIAL GARDEN

### **Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract**

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$3,749,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Abbey Bridges Construction Co., LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 10, 2024

Project Initiation Date: January 16, 2012

Design Professional: McCarty Architects

General Contractor: Abbey Bridges Construction Co., LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$5,100,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$175,200,000.00

## 20. UM- IHL 407-002 – DATA CENTER RENOVATION & EXPANSION

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #4**

Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$24,028.61 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Codaray Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, October 3, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following: added additional water line connections at the north side of Area A; relocated two (2) existing light poles in conflict with new work being performed; added an under-slab termite control; removed

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and disposed a tank that was discovered and excavated from the construction site; and reduced the scope of the dumpster enclosure work.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to changes in requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies; errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Four (4) change orders for a total amount of \$89,281.50.

Project Initiation Date: January 6, 2023

Design Professional: Duvall Decker Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Codaray Construction, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$35,000,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$40,000,000.00

## 21. **UM- IHL 407-012 (207-493) – SOUTH OXFORD CENTER 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR SCHOOL OF NURSING**

### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #3**

Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$15,813.22 and eight (8) additional days to the contract of Wagner General Contractors, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 10, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #3 includes the following: replaced sixty (60) mechanical tees for the existing sprinkler system; leveled concrete floor surface that was out of level; and eight (8) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to latent job site conditions and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Three (3) change orders for a total amount of \$274,990.01.

Project Initiation Date: January 19, 2023

Design Professional: UM Department of Facilities Planning

General Contractor: Wagner General Contractors, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$3,943,950.00

## 22. **UM – IHL 407-008.1 – NWMP (ELECT. PH 11)-13kV ELECT. DIST. IMP. PART A**

### **Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract**

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$987,399.45 to the apparent low bidder Chancellor Construction, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 16, 2024

Project Initiation Date: January 6, 2023

Design Professional: Atwell & Gent, Electrical & Consulting Engineers

General Contractor: Chancellor Construction, Inc.

Phased Project Budget: \$1,650,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$25,200,000.00

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### 23. UMMC- IHL 209-579 – UMMC COLONY PARK

#### **Approval Request #1: Change Order #6**

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$8,239.50 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Codaray Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 24, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following: repaired the failed proof roll at the southeast end of the east parking lot to include removing the failed spoils and replaced with new select fill.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$342,054.75.

Project Initiation Date: April 20, 2023

Design Professional: Cooke Douglass Farr Lemons Architects + Engineers, P.A.

General Contractor: Codaray Construction, LLC.

Total Project Budget: \$105,910,527.00

### 24. UMMC -IHL 209-580C ADOLESCENT PSYCH

**Approval Request #1 (INTERIM):** In accordance with Board Policy §904 (B) Board Approval, *Interim Chair Approval* was granted by Mr. Greg Rader, Chair of the Real Estate and Facilities Committee on September 4, 2024, to approve the budget increase from \$8,500,000.00 to \$10,500,000.00 for an increase of \$2,000,000.00 for the Adolescent Psych project.

Interim Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 4, 2024

#### **Approval Request #2: Award of Construction Contract**

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of 4,298,500.00 to the apparent low bidder Fountain Construction Company, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 5, 2024

Project Initiation Date: August 18, 2022

Design Professional: JH&H Architects Planners Interiors, P.A.

General Contractor: Fountain Construction Company, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$10,500,000.00

### 25. UMMC – IHL 209-586 – THE NEW BURN UNIT

#### **Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract**

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$2,388,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Fountain Construction Company.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 27, 2024

Project Initiation Date: June 15, 2023

Design Professional: Smith Group

General Contractor: Fountain Construction Company

Total Project Budget: \$6,300,000.00

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## 26. UMMC- IHL 409-001 – RESEARCH AHU REPLACEMENT

### Approval Request #1: Change Order #3

Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$55,754.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Fountain Construction Company.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 27, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #3 includes the following: installed a condensate pump & piping.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to latent job site conditions; and user/owner requested modification.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Three (3) change orders for a total amount of \$74,221.42.

Project Initiation Date: August 16, 2018

Design Professional: Dean and Dean Architects

General Contractor: Fountain Construction Company

Total Project Budget: \$2,122,624.00

## UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

## 27. USM- IHL 208-357 – OWINGS MCQUAGGE HALL ROOF REPLACEMENT

### Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the credit amount of \$49,450.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Rowell Roofing, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, September 18, 2024

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: changed the ¼” per foot tapered insulation to 1/8” per foot to allow constant edge thickness to closely match the existing and allow for the existing roof access adders to be re-used.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to changes in requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total credit amount of \$49,450.00.

Project Initiation Date: August 17, 2023

Design Professional: Weir Boerner Allin Architecture, PLLC

General Contractor: Rowell Roofing, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,115,530.24

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## 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 Brunini (statement dated 9/23/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$175.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 175.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statement dated 9/5/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$578.25, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 578.25**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Copeland Cook Taylor & Bush (statements dated 9/23/24 and 9/23/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$3,968.00 and \$184.00, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,152.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statement dated 9/1/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amount of \$30.55, represents services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 30.55**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mitchell McNutt (statements dated 6/19/24, 7/8/24 and 9/5/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,125.00, \$150.00 and \$2,958.54, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,233.54**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini (statement dated 9/23/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$262.50, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 262.50**

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 9/20/24 and 9/20/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,725.00 and \$379.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,104.50**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Lightfoot Franklin White, LLC (statement dated 9/16/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$19,641.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 19,641.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette, PLLC (statements dated 9/11/24 and 9/13/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$575.00 and \$1,550.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,125.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 9/1/24, 9/1/24, 9/1/24, 9/1/24 and 9/1/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$219.87, \$567.00, \$5.60, \$29.43 and \$300.00, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,121.90**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 7/15/24, 7/15/24, 7/15/24, 7/15/24, 7/19/24, 7/19/24 7/19/24, 8/9/24, 8/9/24, 8/14/24, 8/14/24 and 8/14/24 ) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$80.00, \$4,243.31, \$384.00, \$15,359.70, \$162.00, \$99.00, \$1,539.90, \$5,926.60, \$8,670.70, \$345.00, \$584.60 and \$6,847.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 44,241.21**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Currie Johnson & Myers, P.A. (statement dated 7/17/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$5,521.10, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,521.10**

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Foreman Watkins & Krutz, LLP (statement dated 7/18/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$950.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 950.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Gore, Kilpatrick & Dambrino, PLLC (statement dated 7/26/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$340.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 340.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Hogan Lovells, US, LLP (statement dated 7/25/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$45,481.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 45,481.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette, PLLC (statement dated 8/6/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$645.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 645.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Page, Kruger & Holland (statements dated 8/1/24, 8/1/24, 8/1/24 and 8/1/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$40.00, \$187.80, \$765.00 and \$115.50, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,108.30**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Steen, Dalehite & Pace (statements dated 7/23/24 and 7/25/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$954.00 and \$768.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,722.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins & Eager, PLLC (statements dated 7/22/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24, 7/25/24, 7/25/24, 7/25/24, 7/25/24, 7/26/24, 7/26/24, 7/26/24, 7/26/24, 7/26/24 and 8/6/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$6,995.18, \$1,412.10, \$100.00, \$4,260.00, \$2,645.40,

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\$1,484.00, \$26.50, \$26.50, \$3,683.50, \$159.00, \$1,302.65, \$212.00 and \$397.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 22,704.33**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Vernis & Bowling of Mississippi (statements dated 7/23/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24, 7/24/24 and 7/24/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$6,600.00, \$672.50, \$183.00, \$106.50, \$400.45, \$354.00, \$8,317.82 and \$1,369.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 18,003.77**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 9/1/24, 9/1/24 and 9/10/24) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$27.40, \$2,650.00 and \$2,650.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,327.40**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Wise Carter (statements dated 8/19/24, 9/12/24 and 9/16/24) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$448.50, \$526.50 and \$1,443.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,418.00**

## **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 Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, LLP (statement dated 8/9/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement, in the amounts of \$189.00, represents services and expenses in connection with patents or intellectual property matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 189.00**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Conley Rose (statements dated 9/11/24 and 9/11/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$10,934.65 and \$1,281.60, represent services and expenses in connection with patents or intellectual property matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 12,216.25**



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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy (statements dated 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24 and 9/10/24) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,370.00, \$4,912.00, \$2,873.50, \$316.00, \$197.50, \$158.00, \$118.50, \$645.00, \$842.50, \$684.50 and \$237.00, represent services and expenses in connection with patents or intellectual property matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 13,354.50**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Workman Nydegger (statements dated 7/17/24, 7/17/24, 7/17/24, 7/17/24, 8/14/24, 8/14/24 and 8/14/24) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$350.00, \$423.94, \$2,140.29, \$8,014.00, \$1,050.00, \$1,430.75 and \$122.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with intellectual property patents.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 13,531.48**

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy, P.C. (statements dated 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24, 9/10/24 and 9/10/24) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$105.00, \$1,943.07, \$140.00, \$44.00, \$2,983.00, \$5,125.00 and \$5,115.00, represent services and expenses in connection with patents or intellectual property matters.)

**TOTAL DUE.....\$ 15,455.07**