

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
September 28 & 29, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Jackson State University Board Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi at 10:00 a.m. on September 28, 2023, and pursuant to notice in writing, to each and every member of said Committee. The following members participated: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Dr. Ormella Cummings, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, and Mr. Hal Parker. Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Chip Morgan, and Dr. J. Walt Starr also participated via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steven Cunningham, Chair of the Jackson State University Board Search Committee.

To comply with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this Zoom meeting were recorded by name in a rollcall. The meeting was held to discuss personnel issues concerning the search for the next president of Jackson State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, 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 Cummings, seconded by Trustee Parker, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter related to the employment of a person in a specific position at Jackson State University.

During Executive Session, the following matter was discussed:

The Committee discussed a personnel matter related to the employment of a person in a specific position at Jackson State University. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Cummings, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to recess the meeting until approximately 1:10 p.m.

The Jackson State University Board Search Committee meeting reconvened at approximately 1:10 p.m., on September 28, 2023. The following members participated: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Dr. Ormella Cummings, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, and Mr. Hal Parker. Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Chip Morgan, and Dr. J. Walt Starr also participated via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steven Cunningham, Chair of the Jackson State University Board Search Committee.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION #2

On motion by Trustee Cummings, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, 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 Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Parker, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

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During Executive Session, the following matter was discussed:

The Committee discussed a personnel matter related to the employment of a person in a specific position at Jackson State University. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Parker, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to recess the meeting until 9:00 a.m. tomorrow, September 29, 2023.

The Jackson State University Board Search Committee meeting reconvened at approximately 9:20 a.m., on September 29, 2023 at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi. The following members participated: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Dr. Ormella Cummings, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, and Mr. Hal Parker (via Zoom). Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Chip Morgan, and Dr. J. Walt Starr also participated via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steven Cunningham, Chair of the Jackson State University Board Search Committee.

To comply with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this Zoom meeting were recorded by name in a rollcall. The meeting was held to discuss personnel issues concerning the search for the next president of Jackson State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #3

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Parker absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to

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declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Parker absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter related to the employment of a person in a specific position at Jackson State University.

During Executive Session, the following matter was discussed:

The Committee discussed a personnel matter related to the employment of a person in a specific position at Jackson State University. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Cummings, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to recess the meeting until approximately 1:10 p.m.

The Jackson State University Board Search Committee meeting reconvened at approximately 1:10 p.m., on September 29, 2023. The following members participated: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Dr. Ormella Cummings, Mr. Bruce Martin (via Zoom), Mr. Gee Ogletree, and Mr. Hal Parker (via Zoom). Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Ms. Jeanne Luckey, and Dr. J. Walt Starr also participated via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steven Cunningham, Chair of the Jackson State University Board Search Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #4

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, 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 Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Cummings, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously **to enter Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

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During Executive Session, the following matter was discussed:

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On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Martin absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.



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