

Board Book

September 21, 2023

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING

Board Meeting Outline

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING

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IHL Board Meeting | September 21, 2023, 9:00a | IHL Board Room

CALL TO ORDER INVOCATION

Trustee Dr. Alfred McNair, Jr.
Trustee Gee Ogletree

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
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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, 2022, to each and every member of said Board said date being at least five days prior to this August 17, 2023 meeting. At the above-named place the following members were present to wit: Dr. Ormella Cummings, Dr. Steven Cunningham, Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Ms. Jeanne Carter Luckey, Mr. Bruce Martin, Dr. Alfred E. McNair, Jr., Mr. Chip Morgan, Mr. Gee Ogletree, Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Dr. J. Walt Starr. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Alfred McNair, President, with Trustee Duff providing the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

- President McNair welcomed Dr. Tracy Cook to his first Board meeting as interim president of Alcorn State University.
- President McNair acknowledged the following Student Government Association members: President Jordan Buck from Alcorn State University, President Haley Rooks from Delta State University, President Jason Johnson from Jackson State University, President Ellie Herndon from Mississippi State University, President Sara Austin Welch from the University of Mississippi, and Chief of Staff Jack Johns from the University of Mississippi; and President Jonathan Jenkins from the University of Southern Mississippi.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Board meetings held on June 15, 2023, June 29, 2023, and July 20, 2023.

CONSENT AGENDAS

On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Cummings, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agendas.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved the degrees to be conferred in Summer 2023 provided each candidate has met all requirements for the degree.

Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total
Alcorn State University				
<i>Undergraduate</i>				
	Bachelor of Arts	7		
	Bachelor of Science	20		

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	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	1		
	Bachelor of Social Work	1		
	<i>Graduate</i>			
	Master of Arts in Teaching	8		
	Master of Business Administration	1		
	Master of Liberal Arts	1		
	Master of Science in Agriculture	3		
	Master of Science in Applied Technology	2		
	Master of Science in Biology	2		
	Master of Science in Computer and Information Science	2		
	Master of Science in Secondary Education	4		
	Master of Science in Nursing	2		
	Total Undergraduate Degrees		29	
	Total Graduate Degrees		25	
	Total Degrees			54

Delta State University

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Arts	2
Bachelor of Business Administration	5
Bachelor of Commercial Aviation	19
Bachelor of Fine Arts	1
Bachelor of Music	1
Bachelor of Science	8
Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies	4
Bachelor of Science in Social Justice and Criminology	2
Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)	14

Graduate

Master of Applied Science	4
Master of Arts in Liberal Studies	1
Master of Arts in Teaching	16
Master of Business Administration	20
Master of Commercial Aviation	8
Master of Education	26
Master of Professional Accountancy	1
Master of Science in Sport and Human Performance	10
Master of Science in Nursing	1
Master of Science in Social Justice and Criminology	4
Specialist in Education	27

Total Undergraduate Degrees

56

Total Graduate Degrees

118

Total Degrees

174

Jackson State University

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Arts	2
Bachelor of Business Administration	2
Bachelor of Music	1
Bachelor of Science in Education	1
Bachelor of Science	35
Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)	2

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Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total
<i>Graduate</i>				
	Master of Arts	1		
	Master of Arts in Teaching	12		
	Master of Business Administration	17		
	Master of Professional Accountancy	4		
	Master of Science	7		
	Specialist in Education	11		
	Doctor of Philosophy	25		
	Doctor of Public Health	2		
	Total Undergraduate Degrees		43	
	Total Graduate Degrees		79	
	Total Degrees			122

Mississippi State University

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Accountancy	6
Bachelor of Applied Science	11
Bachelor of Arts	31
Bachelor of Business Administration	82
Bachelor of Fine Arts	1
Bachelor of Landscape Architecture	2
Bachelor of Science	318
Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)	17

Graduate

Master of Agribusiness Management	9
Master of Agriculture	4
Master of Arts	4
Master of Arts in Teaching	3
Master of Arts in Teaching Middle	27
Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary	14
Master of Arts in Teaching Special Education	5
Master of Business Administration	41
Master of Engineering	1
Master of Landscape Architecture	3
Master of Physician Assistant Studies	1
Master of Professional Accountancy	10
Master of Science	181
Master of Science in Information Science	5
Master of Science in Instructional Technology	1
Master of Taxation	2
Specialist in Education	24
Doctor of Education	2
Doctor of Philosophy	51

Total Undergraduate Degrees

468

Total Graduate Degrees

389

Total Degrees

857

Mississippi University for Women

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Applied Science	7
Bachelor of Business Administration	4
Bachelor of Fine Arts	3

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Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total
	Bachelor of Professional Studies	1		
	Bachelor of Science	22		
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	227		
	Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)			
<i>Graduate</i>				
	Master of Arts	1		
	Master of Arts in Teaching	4		
	Master of Business Administration	7		
	Master of Education	2		
	Master of Fine Arts	9		
	Master of Public Health	1		
	Master of Science in Nursing	19		
	Total Undergraduate Degrees		264	
	Total Graduate Degrees		43	
	Total Degrees			307

University of Mississippi

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Accountancy	46
Bachelor of Arts	169
Bachelor of Arts in Education	7
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism	12
Bachelor of Arts in Sport and Recreation Administration	11
Bachelor of Business Administration	179
Bachelor of Engineering	2
Bachelor of Fine Arts	6
Bachelor of Multi-Disciplinary Studies	44
Bachelor of Music	1
Bachelor of Science	108
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	1
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice	15
Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering	1
Bachelor of Science in Engineering	2
Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science	19
Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering	1
Bachelor of Science in Law Studies	9
Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	3
Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences	71
Bachelor of Science in Public Health & Health Sciences	5
Bachelor of Social Work	41
Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)	17

Graduate

Master of Accountancy	33
Master of Accountancy and Data Analytics	52
Master of Arts	29
Master of Arts in Teaching	5
Master of Business Administration	39
Master of Criminal Justice	16
Master of Education	29
Master of Fine Arts	4
Master of Laws	1
Master of Science	41

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Institution	Degree to be Conferred	Number	Subtotal	Total
	Master of Social Work	20		
	Master of Taxation	7		
	Master of Taxation and Data Analytics	14		
	Specialist in Education	9		
	Doctor of Education	18		
	Doctor of Pharmacy	5		
	Doctor of Philosophy	48		
	Juris Doctor	3		
	Total Undergraduate Degrees		770	
	Total Graduate Degrees		373	
	Total Degrees			1,143

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene	1
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	94

Graduate

Master of Health Informatics and Information Management	6
Master of Science in Nursing	34
Master of Science in Population Health Science	3
Doctor of Dental Medicine	3
Doctor of Health Administration	2
Doctor of Medicine	3
Doctor of Philosophy	12
Doctor of Physical Therapy	1

Total Undergraduate Degrees

95

Total Graduate Degrees

64

Total Degrees

159

University of Southern Mississippi

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Applied Science	2
Bachelor of Arts	23
Bachelor of Fine Arts	3
Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies	1
Bachelor of Liberal Studies	12
Bachelor of Music	1
Bachelor of Science	134
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	37
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	8
Bachelor of Social Work	2
Bachelor of University Studies (C2C)	9

Graduate

Master of Arts	11
Master of Arts in Teaching	2
Master of Arts in Teaching of Languages	8
Master of Business Administration	21
Master of Education	9
Master of Library and Information Science	15
Master of Music Education	1
Master of Professional Accountancy	3

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	Master of Public Health	9		
	Master of Science	118		
	Master of Science in Athletic Training	1		
	Specialist in Education	3		
	Doctor of Education	112		
	Doctor of Musical Arts	3		
	Doctor of Nursing Practice	1		
	Doctor of Philosophy	39		
	Total Undergraduate Degrees		232	
	Total Graduate Degrees		356	
	Total Degrees			588
System Total Undergraduate Degrees			1,957	
System Total Graduate Degrees			1,447	
System Total Degrees				3,404

*Note: System Total for summer 2023 represents an increase of 2,077 from summer 2022's total of 1,327. Summer 2023 totals represent degrees to be conferred regardless of summer commencement ceremonies whereas summer 2022 reflect commencement ceremonies only.

FINANCE

2. **DSU** – Approved the request to amend its professional services agreement with Sodexo Operation, LLC (Sodexo) to provide dining, catering, and concession management services for its food service operations. The term of the contract is five years, with the option to extend for three additional years, commencing on September 1, 2023 and continuing through June 30, 2031, unless terminated by either party. The contract is estimated to produce \$4,934,678.00 in revenue, including a new capital investment of \$800,000. This is a revenue generating contract. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
3. **JSU** – Approved the request to enter a lease agreement with AWH-BP Jackson Hotel, LLC d/b/a HILTON JACKSON (Hilton) for the lease of hotel rooms for the housing of students enrolled in its Executive Ph.D. program during various program dates. The term of the new contract is one year, beginning on September 5, 2023 and expiring August 3, 2024. The total estimated cost of the agreement is \$279,216. This cost is based on the use of approximately one hundred sixty (160) room nights at a rate of \$144 per room from September 5, 2023 through August 3, 2024. The agreement 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.
4. **JSU** – Approved the request to enter a service agreement with Full Armor Security, LLC for supplemental security staffing to improve JSU's ability to monitor, secure, and promote safety on the main campus, as well as external campus sites. The term of the agreement is for a two-year (2) period, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025, with three (3) one-year (1) options to renew. The maximum projected cost for the initial term is \$700,000. for labor and management costs. Projected costs were based on staffing needs for traditional university and athletic sponsored events, daily operational needs, and in the event of an emergency. The agreement will be funded by E&G funds. Legal Staff has

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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. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with SECURIT Services & Technology, LLC to provide Metal Detector Screening Services for the FY24 and FY25 MSU Varsity Athletic Sports Seasons. The term of the contract is the 2023-24 & 2024-25 MSU Varsity Athletic Sports Seasons (two fiscal years and ends on June 30, 2025). The University will pay the contractor the set forth hourly rates in the contract. The projected cost on an annual basis is about \$250,000 per year, but the final amount is subject to gametimes, number of workers who show up, etc. The agreement will be funded by the Athletic Department Self-Generated Funds. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.
6. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract to obtain services and software with Teamworks Innovations, Inc. (Teamworks) for a group communication mobile application to provide MSU student athletes and athletics department staff with a communication tool necessary to track schedules, appointments, and send messages. The contract will commence on September 1, 2023, and end on June 30, 2026. MSU will pay \$70,899.51 for the first partial year, \$97,703.50 the second year, and \$110,00.00 for the third year of the contract. The total amount of the contract is \$278,603.01. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board approved the request to allow prepayment under the contract. The agreement will be funded by the Athletic Department Self-Generated 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 enter a subscription agreement with OCLC, Inc. to effectively manage physical and electronic resources within the university’s library and to act as a resource-sharing network to lend and borrow resources that allow users to quickly obtain global library content located in MVSU’s collections and the collections of other ILL libraries around the world. The term of the contract is July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The total cost of the contract is \$31,413.98. 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.
8. **UM** – Approved the request to amend a Master Service Agreement with Carnegie Dartlet LLC to add Statement of Work #13 which will provide digital advertising services to support the university’s enrollment and brand strategies. The current MSA is scheduled to expire on March 22, 2025. SOW13 has a twelve-month term beginning September 2023 and ending September 2024. The amount of SOW13 is \$519,999.20. This addition would increase the total amount of the existing Agreement to a sum not to exceed \$3,173,897.20. The source of funding for the contract will be split between University Marketing & Communications funds earmarked for the purpose of brand marketing, the Division of Enrollment Management funds earmarked for the purpose of enrollment marketing, and general funds earmarked for the redesign and maintenance of olemiss.edu. 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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9. **UM** – Approved the request to amend a Master Service Agreement with Carnegie Dartlet LLC to add Statement of Work #14 which will provide digital advertising services to support the university’s online graduate program enrollments and brand strategies. The current MSA is scheduled to expire on March 22, 2025. SOW14 has a twelve-month term beginning September 2023 and ending August 2024. The amount of SOW14 is \$800,197.20. This addition would increase the total amount of the existing Agreement to a sum not to exceed \$3,974,094.40. The contract will be paid for by the University of Mississippi Division of Outreach funds earmarked for the purpose of enrollment marketing and online program awareness. 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. **UM** – Approved the request to enter a contract with Graduate Oxford for hotel rooms during the 2023 football season. The contract will begin August 31st, 2023 and will end November 18, 2023. The total contract amount is \$283,452. The agreement will be funded by Athletics Department Operating 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.
11. **UM** – Approved the request for the University’s Facilities Management Department to enter a contract with Planon Corporation (Planon) for an integrated workplace management system (IWMS) software solution and associated implementation services to support the operational, management, and reporting needs of the Facilities Management department. The initial term of the contract is 12 months. Thereafter, the term will be automatically extended for successive 12-month periods unless notice is provided at least 90 days prior to the end of the then current term. As written, the contract has no firm end date. This was intentional, as UM would be subject to rate increases at contract renewal and would risk losing the favorable rates specified in this contract. Nevertheless, this request assumes a five-year (60-month) total contract length. UM will seek additional approval from the IHL Board (and the Mississippi Department of ITS) to extend beyond five years or to exceed the contract amount noted below. The total estimated five-year contract amount is \$2,919,306.69. A cost breakdown is included in the bound *August 17, 2023 Board Working File*. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board approved the request to make multi-year prepayments for licensing fees for SaaS software components and maintenance & hosting fees for perpetual license software components at the beginning of each contract year. The contract will be funded using 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.
12. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend the Medical Charge Account Agreement with AccessOne MedCard, Inc. (AccessOne) to adjust the interest free language included in the agreement. The agreement provides patients an option to pay outstanding balances with medical charge accounts that are established and serviced by AccessOne. The term of the agreement remains unchanged, it is five (5) years, from March 1, 2020, through February 28, 2025. The total estimated cost of the agreement over five (5) years remains unchanged and is \$9,000,000. AccessOne’s standard rate under the agreement is a contingency fee of six percent (6%) of actual collections. AccessOne also offers an accelerated payment

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option, whereby AccessOne will advance the anticipated collections to UMMC for a ten percent (10%) contingency fee. UMMC has included in its cost calculation an estimated thirty-seven percent (37%) of accounts under the accelerated payment option, and the remainder at the standard rate. UMMC has also included a one percent (1%) potential increase in the service fees. This 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.

13. **UMMC** – Approved the request to waive the annual audit requirement applicable to the IHL approved affiliation agreement with the UMMC Research and Development Foundation (RDF) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The Board also approved the request to amend the audit waiver request approved by the Board on November 17, 2022. The previous approval was to waive the annual audit requirement applicable to the IHL approved affiliation agreement RDF for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, however the request should have been to waive the annual audit requirement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. As per requirements stipulated in Board Policy 301.0806 University Foundation/Affiliated Entity Activities Subsection D. 9. General Requirements of Affiliation Agreements, staff have considered and reviewed the source documents for the following. 1) Both activities and assets of the RDF continue to remain low (approximately \$7,300 as of June 2023); 2) Contracting for an external audit would represent a significant expense that, at this time, does not make sound financial or business sense, as the audit will cost approximately \$8,750 to complete; and 3) The RDF does not anticipate that the year-end financial statements for the current year will differ substantially from the financial statements as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal year.
14. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a purchase agreement with Boston Scientific Corporation (BSC) to purchase various consumable commodities and equipment for use during the implantation of cardiac rhythm management (CRM) devices, such as pacemakers and defibrillators. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove products under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as it does not increase the approved expenditure level. The term of the agreement is three (3) years from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2026. The estimated cost of the agreement is \$9,300,000 over the three (3) year term. UMMC has included a twenty percent (20%) increase beginning in year two (2) to allow for potential patient volume change. 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.
15. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Medical Office Building Lease with Central Mississippi Civic Improvement Association, Inc. d/b/a Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center (JHCHC) to sublet clinical space at the Jackson Medical Mall for JHCHC to operate and manage primary care continuity clinics. The term of the agreement is one (1) year, from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. The sublease agreement is estimated to earn approximately \$470,822.40 over the one (1) year term. Base rent will be \$18.30 per square foot for 25,728 rentable square feet or \$39,235.20 per month. The rent amount includes a pro rata share of the housekeeping and security services provided under the Master Lease. This is a revenue generating contract. Legal Staff has reviewed the

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

16. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend Product Schedule 100989 with the Roche Diagnostics Corporation (Roche) to add a Cobas 6000 analyzer series to the agreement and remove two (2) Integra 400 Plus and one (1) e411 Rack from the agreement. The original Product Schedule 1000989 was for the lease of twelve (12) laboratory instruments, the purchase of reagents and supplies needed for diagnostic testing, service for the instruments, and training. The instruments and supplies are used to perform chemistry tests, such as liver and kidney function tests, and to help diagnose and treat numerous diseases including diabetes, hepatitis, kidney conditions, fertility, and thyroid problems. 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 amended term of Product Schedule 1000989 is eight (8) years, five (5) months and eight (8) days, commencing May 22, 2020, and ending five (5) years after the date of installation of the last piece of equipment, which is expected to be on or about October 31, 2023. The original term was six years from May 22, 2020, through May 21, 2026, or five (5) years after the date of installation of the last piece of equipment, whichever was later. The amendment adds two (2) years, five (5) months and eight (8) days to the term and the expected end date will be on or about October 30, 2028. The estimated cost of the Product Schedule remains unchanged. It is \$20,780,000 over the term. 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.
17. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to increase the total contract amount for a lease agreement with MS Hardware Master Tenant, LLC, to allow for payment of improvements to the physical space as requested by the four research universities who will use the office space. The Agreement is for the lease of approximately 1,998 square feet located on the 2nd floor, southeast corner of the MCITY Building located at 1622 Washington Street in Vicksburg, Mississippi to be used by the four research universities for the purpose of technology transfer and entrepreneurial programs which may be connected to the U.S. Department of Defense and related federal research. The term of the Lease Agreement is three (3) years, from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. The original total estimated cost of the three (3) year term is \$145,000. The amendment increases the total estimated cost of the contract by \$150,000 for a new total estimated cost of \$295,000. During the 2022 and 2023 Legislative Sessions, the Mississippi Legislature approved SB 3002 (2022) and SB 3000 (2023) which appropriated \$1,000,000 each to the research universities for the purpose of technology transfer and entrepreneurial programs, which may be connected to the Department of Defense and related federal research in Mississippi, including improvements to the physical space. IHL pays the Lease costs directly to MS Hardware Master Tenant, LLC; however, JSU, MSU, UM and USM will reimburse IHL from the funds appropriated by the Legislature for this purpose.

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REAL ESTATE

18. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-334, ARPA Infrastructure Waste Collection and Conveyance, and the appointment of Pickering, Inc. as the design professional. The project is for the replacement of waste collection pipe crossing near Lanier Hall (Old District), replacement of pumps at the main campus pump station, and “point repairs” within ASU’s sewer collection system identified in a previous project, but not completed. The proposed project budget is \$1,075,000. Funds are available from Federal ARPA Funds (\$1,075,000). This project is eligible for use of ARPA funds and has been certified by a 3rd party audit through the Department of Finance and Administration.
19. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-338, ARPA Infrastructure Water Transmission and Distribution, and the appointment of Pickering, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include the replacement of water distribution mains in the Old District of campus and replacement of piping and valves at the western elevated storage tank. Through subsequent conversations with DFA, the scope of this work is presently being expanded to include replacement of most, if not all, water distribution mains within the ASU campus. The proposed project budget is \$7,075,000. Funds are available from Federal ARPA Funds (\$7,075,000). This project is eligible for use of ARPA funds and has been certified by a 3rd party audit through the Department of Finance and Administration.
20. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-339, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Natchez Campus Buildings, and the appointment of Engineering Resource Group, Inc. as the design professional. The project will upgrade the existing building aged/dated mechanical HVAC (heating, ventilation & air conditioning) system due to normal lifecycle depletion and/or outdated equipment & technology. The proposed project budget is \$1,939,005. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$1,939,005). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
21. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-340, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – David Whitney Complex, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing the existing air-cooled R22 chiller, existing boilers, existing chilled water pump, three (3) heating water pumps, all chilled and heating water piping within the boiler room and installing new controls and an energy management system. The proposed project budget is \$3,531,587. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$3,531,587). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
22. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-341A, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Math and Science Building, and the appointment of Engineering Resource Group, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include the replacement of air handling units (AHU), replacement of existing chiller and hot water boilers, replacement of the Laboratory Air Control Valves and Laboratory Control Systems, replacement of the air distribution system including all supply, return, outdoor, and exhaust air ductwork, replacement of the water distribution systems including pumps, piping, and piping specialties, and replacement of the building automation system (BAS). The proposed project budget is \$3.5 million. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency

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- Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$3,500,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
23. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-341B, HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Math and Science Building, and the appointment of Engineering Resource Group, Inc. as the design professional. The exact scope will be determined after the JOC package in GS 101-341A has been awarded. The project will address the replacement of additional HVAC equipment as funds permit. The proposed project budget is \$6,409,281. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$6,409,281). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 24. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-342A, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Robison Hall, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. The project will include replacing the existing R22 air-cooled chiller, the existing boilers, the existing chilled/heating water pumps and all chilled and heating water piping within the boiler room. The proposed project budget is \$2,382,294. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$2,382,294). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 25. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-342B, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Robinson Hall, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing the three multizone air handling units, related supply duct, all building exhaust fans and installing new controls. The proposed project budget is \$2 million. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$2,000,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 26. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-343A, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Burrus Hall, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing the existing R22 air-cooled chiller, the existing chilled/heating water pumps, boilers and associated piping. The proposed project budget is \$2 million. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$2,000,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 27. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-343B, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Burrus Hall, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing the six (6) existing multizone air handling units, one single zone air handling unit, door room and corridor air handling units, related piping / supply ductwork, all building exhaust fans and installing new controls to address the code required outside air requirements. The proposed project budget is \$3,545,324. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$3,545,324). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 28. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-344A, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Walter Washington, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing the existing R22 air-cooled chiller, existing chilled water pump and all chilled water piping within the mechanical room. The proposed project budget is \$3 million. Funds are available from Higher Education

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- Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$3,000,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
29. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of GS 101-344B, JOC HVAC Improvements – HEERF – Walter Washington, and the appointment of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. as the design professional. This project will include replacing six (6) existing air handling units, a computer room unit, variable air volume boxes, all building exhaust fans, and installing new controls. The proposed project budget is \$3,628,780. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$3, 628,780). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 30. **JSU** – Approved the initiation of GS 103-326, ARPA Infrastructure – Water Storage, and the appointment of Engineering Resource Group as the design professional. The project includes upgrades to the campus domestic water distribution piping on campus and the installation of storage tanks that will be utilized during periods when the campus experiences low water pressure or no water service. The proposed project budget is \$15,725,000. Funds are available from SB 3062, Laws of 2022 (\$725,000) and SB 3118, Laws of 2023 (\$15,000,000). This project is eligible for use of ARPA funds and has been certified by a 3rd party audit through the Department of Finance and Administration.
 31. **JSU** – Approved the initiation of GS 103-328, University Pointe Residence Hall Improvements, and the appointment of Vernell Barnes Architect, PLLC as the design professional. This project will consist of a complete renovation of buildings 500 and 600 at the University Pointe residential facility, bearing 16 units in the buildings. Modifications include building envelope (siding), interior, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing repairs. Fire and life safety repairs include upgrades to the fire notification systems. The proposed project budget is \$2,400,659.20. Funds are available from SB 3002, Laws of 2023 (\$2,400,659.20).
 32. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 201-262, HEERF – Technology Wi-Fi. Planning will be performed in house by the ASU Center for Information Technology Services. The outdoor wireless project will focus on creating outdoor areas on campus with Wi-Fi and network access. The project will consist of mounting wireless access points with directional antennas on designated buildings to provide coverage to different areas on campus. The areas identified for the project will include Phase I Alcorn Drive, Walter Washington to the Library/Cafeteria. Area II Medgar Evers dorms. Area III Industrial Drive will include Industrial Tech and the Ag buildings and Area IV athletic complex except for the stadium. The proposed project budget is \$275,000. Funds are available from Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$275,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.
 33. **ASU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 201-263, HEERF – Technology Phase II. Planning will be performed in house by the ASU Center for Information Technology Services. The project will support upgrading the classroom instructional technology equipment to support in person, remote or hybrid instruction capabilities. The rooms will consist of Poly video conference equipment, cameras and monitors to provide instructors and/or students with the ability to display information from multiple sources, including desktop, laptop, tablet, or smartphone. The proposed project budget is \$2,200,000. Funds are available from

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Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds [HEERF] (\$2,200,000). This funding source has been approved by the U.S. Department of Education.

34. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 205-338, Wingo Way Extended, and the appointment of Neel-Schaffer, Inc. as the design professional. The project will include the construction of a new road connecting Wingo Way to Hail State Blvd. beginning at the intersection of Blackjack Rd./Wingo Way, extending South approx. 0.40 miles (2,000 L.F.) connecting to Oktoc Road; from Oktoc Road, continuing South approx. 0.20 miles (1,200 L.F.) connection to Hail State Blvd. The proposed project budget is \$6,150,000. Funds are available from University Designated Funds (\$4,150,000) and Federal Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP) Funds Administered through MDOT (\$2,000,000).
35. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 205-340, Stone & Bost Traffic Circle, and the appointment of Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., as the design professional. This project will construct a new traffic circle near Stone Blvd./Bost Dr. intersection, which will focus on pedestrian safety by eliminating mid-block crossings along Stone Blvd. The proposed project budget is \$1,631,000. Funds are available from Federal Transportation Alternative Program Funds (\$1,300,000) and University Funds (\$331,000).
36. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 205-345, Campus Services Storage Facility, and the appointment of Allen & Hoshall, Inc. d/b/a Allen & Hoshall, PLLC as the design professional. The project will construct a warehouse-style storage facility for use the physical plant and other departments on the main campus. The anticipated size of facility is 65,000+ square feet on a to be determined site. The proposed project budget is \$200,000. Funds are available from University Funds (\$200,000).
37. **MSU** – Approved the initiation of IHL 413-004, Bost Renovation, and the appointment of Shafer Zahner Zahner, PLLC as the design professional. The project will include interior and exterior renovations to include a new roof, new windows, redesign of the second floor, and upgrades in “B” Building. The proposed project budget is \$455,000. Funds are available from HB 603, Laws of 2023 (\$455,000).
38. **UMMC** – Approved the initiation of IHL 409-006, School of Dentistry, and the appointment of Eley Guild Hardy Architects, P.A., as the design professional. This is a project will construct an addition to the School of Dentistry and partially renovate the existing facility. It is anticipated that the addition will be between 30,000 and 40,000 square feet of clinical space and provide approximately 80 dental chairs. The proposed project budget is \$40 million. Funds are available from HB 603, Laws of 2023 (\$40,000,000).
39. **USM** – Approved the initiation of IHL 208-357, Owings McQuagge Hall Roof Replacement, and the appointment of Wier Boerner Allin Architecture, PLLC., as the design professional. The existing roof on the building is a modified Bitumen system that is now 28 years old and must be replaced. The proposed project budget is \$1,115,530.24. Funds are available from SB 3000, Laws of 2023 (\$1,115,530.24).
40. **JSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for GS 103-308, Dining Hall Expansion, from \$250,000 to \$12,500,000 for an increase of \$12,250,000 and to add HB 1353, Laws of 2022 as funding source to allow for the increase. This project will consist of a new 30,000+ dining facility to be located to the north of the existing Student Center

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which is currently the parking lot. Funds are available from SB 2971, Laws of 2021 (\$500,000) and HB 1353, Laws of 2022 (\$12,000,000).

41. **MSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 205-339, Central Plant Cooling Tower Replacement, from \$2,750,000 to \$6,000,000 for an increase of \$3,250,000 and to add Capital Expenditures Funds as a funding source to allow for the increase. The project will include the removal and replacement of the existing three (3) cooling towers that support chiller no. 1 and chiller no. 2 at the Central Plant. This budget increase allows the addition of a chiller which increases capacity to the chilled water loop to add facilities currently in design. Funds are available from Capital Expense Funds (\$2,750,000) and University Funds (3,250,000).
42. **MSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 213-145, Aquatic Food Research Center, from \$3,000,000 to \$7,300,000 for an increase of \$4,300,000 and to add SB 3045, Laws of 2022, and MAFES Designated Funds as funding sources to allow for the increase. The project will construct an Aquatic Food Research Center on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The complex will be built in phases as funding is secured. Phase I of the project will construct office space and laboratory space. Funds are available from Restore Act MDEQ (\$3,000,000); SB 3045, Laws of 2022 (4,000,000); and MAFES Designated Funds (\$300,000).
43. **MSU** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 405-003, Renovations and Additions for the College of Architecture, Art, and Design (CAAD), from \$320,000 to \$35,732,500 for an increase of \$35,412,500 and to add SB 2971, Laws of 2021; SB 3045, Laws of 2022; HB 1353, Laws of 2022; SB 3043, Laws of 2023; and HB 603, Laws of 2023 as funding sources to allow for the increase. This will be a phased project that occurs over several years to consolidate and improve facilities for the CAAD. The first phase includes renovations to the Hunter Henry Center. After the necessary moves, the second phase will include renovations and additions to the Howell Building. The final anticipated phase includes minor renovations within Giles Hall. Funds are available from SB 3065, Laws of 2019 (\$320,000); SB 2971, Laws of 2021 (\$15,000,000); SB 3045/HB 1353, Laws of 2022 (14,680,000); and SB 3043/ HB 603, Laws of 2023 (\$5,732,500).
44. **UM** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 207-473, Ole Miss Softball Complex Addition & Renovation, from \$25,000,000 to \$32,000,000 for an increase of \$7,000,000. The funding source will remain the same. The project will construct a new softball stadium, complete with associated amenities (dugouts, seating, press box, restrooms, etc.) and renovate the existing indoor team facility, playing field, and concessions/restrooms building as budget permits. Funds are available from University/Athletic Funds with plans to be reimbursed by a future bond issuance (\$32,000,000).
45. **UM** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 207-484, Writer’s Cabin, from \$100,000 to \$4,000,000 for an increase of \$3,900,000. The funding sources will remain the same. Greenfield Farm is a 20-acre parcel of UM-owned land, 15 miles east of Oxford on the road to New Albany. UM plans to turn Greenfield into a retreat-style writers’ residency, paying tribute to the historical uses of the land and the literary culture of Mississippi. Funds are available from Auxiliary Funds (\$2,000,000); and Private Gifts (\$2,000,000).

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46. **UMMC** – Approved the request to increase the project budget for IHL 209-580, Renovation for Adolescent Psych, from \$6,500,000 to \$8,500,000 for an increase of \$2,000,000 and to add HB 1722, Laws of 2023 funds and Federal Grant funds (HRSA Grant 23-117) as funding sources to allow for the increase. This project will renovate the 2nd floor of the Circle Tower to provide 10 patient rooms for Adolescent Psych. In order to displace the current users of the 2nd floor of the Circle Tower it will be necessary to complete renovations for PT/OT and admin offices. It is the intent to complete the PT/OT renovations and admin office renovations as a phase I so that those users can be relocated and the space for Adolescent Psych can be cleared for renovation. Funds are available from Health Resources and Services Administration [HRSA 23-117] Federal Grant Funds (\$2,000,000); HB 1722, Laws of 2023 (\$6,000,000); and Children’s of Mississippi Philanthropy (\$500,000).
47. **MSU** – Approved the request to demolish and delete from inventory Building #1440 which is a storage barn that was constructed in 1950 located at Brooksville, MS. The building was damaged by high winds on May 16, 2023, and is not cost effective to repair. The approval letter has been received from the Mississippi Department of Archives and History stating Building #1440 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.
48. **MSU** – Approved the request to purchase 3.96 acres of land located in Jackson County, MS from the Jackson County Port Authority and Jackson County, Mississippi for the purpose of constructing the Northern Gulf Aquatic Food Research Center. In 2021, MSU purchased a 4-acre contiguous tract of land. This current purchase will complete the site for the new research center. The purchase price is \$190,000, which is the average of two independent property appraisals, \$200,000 and \$180,000, respectively. The proposed property is an unimproved tract of land consisting of 3.96 acres, more or less, located just west of Highway 57 on the north side of Sunscope Drive within the Sunplex Industrial Park in Jackson County, Mississippi. The Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement is between MSU and the Jackson County Port Authority and Jackson County, Mississippi. The purchase price is \$190,000.00 for a 3.96-acre tract of land (Lot 4B) in the Sunplex Industrial Park in Jackson County, MS. The closing date shall be within thirty (30) days of Seller obtaining and providing Buyer with a copy of a satisfactory wetlands permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clear Water Act, or otherwise mutually agreed in writing by the Parties. Funds are available from MAFES designated funds. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) is required for the acquisition of property. A Phase I report was performed on the 3.96-acre tract of land located in Sunplex Industrial Park. No recognized environmental conditions were identified in connection with 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.
49. **MSU** – Approved the request to rename the "John H. Bryan, Sr. Athletic Administration Building" as the "John H. Bryan, Sr. and George W. Bryan, Sr. Athletic Administration Building". The building is currently named after George’s father in recognition of the support the Bryan family provided to support the facility in the 1990’s. George’s name

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will be added to the building to recognize his and his family's support of MSU and athletics over the subsequent years.

50. **UM** – Approved the exterior design of the Alpha Omicron Pi house addition. A rendering is included in the bound *August 17, 2023 Board Working File*.
51. **UM** – Approved the exterior design of the new Kappa Alpha house to be located on the UM campus. A rendering is included in the bound *August 17, 2023 Board Working File*.
52. **UM** – Approved the lease between the University of Mississippi Research Foundation (Insight Park) and the School of Pharmacy at the University of Mississippi to accommodate the lab space requirements for a recently recruited Professor of Pharmaceutics and Drug Delivery and Research Professor in the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences who will be the Chair of the department. The space to be leased is a 62,000 square foot, state of the art Class A building in the Research Park with existing parking and ingress and egress. The initial lease term is five years commencing on or before September 1, 2023, and ending on August 30, 2028, with the option to renew annually for two additional years. The lease rate is \$46,625.00 annually, resulting in a total lease amount of \$326,375.00 if all renewals are exercised. The funding will come from multiple sources including the School of Pharmacy/RIPS F&A recovery from grants and contracts along with other designated funds within the School of Pharmacy. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.
53. **UM** – Approved the following: (1) an Amended Lease between IHL/UM and PKPP Alpha Lambda LLC which is wholly owned by the national housing corporation of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity ("Pi Kapp"); and (2) the modification of the Sublease between Kappa Alpha and Pi Kapp. Kappa Alpha has terminated its current lease for lot #502 because it has outgrown the house on that lot and leased a new property where it can build a larger house. Pi Kapp has entered into a long-term lease with IHL/UM for lot #502. Pi Kapp has subleased the house on lot #502 back to Kappa Alpha while Kappa Alpha constructs its house on the new lot. Pi Kapp's lender is now requiring that the legal description of the property in the lease between IHL/UM and PKPP Alpha Lambda LLC be revised to include a currently existing driveway before it provides financing to Pi Kapp. UM is agreeable to the new legal description. The proposed amended lease between IHL/UM and Pi Kapp reflects the new legal description. The modification of the sublease incorporates the amended lease between IHL/UM and Pi Kapp with the new legal description. The amended lease between IHL/UM and Pi Kapp will allow Pi Kapp to continue maintaining a residential fraternity house. The modification of the sublease will allow Pi Kapp to continue subleasing the house to Kappa Alpha while Kappa Alpha constructs a house on its new lot. There is no sale. The lease is for a term of thirty (30) years. An annual lease payment of fifty (50) dollars shall be due on or before the first day of July of each year under each lease. The sublease between Kappa Alpha and Pi Kapp is for a term of thirty-six (36) months. The base rent under the sublease is as follows: \$16,000 per month during the first 12 months of the Term; \$17,000 per month during month 13 through 24 of the Term; and \$18,000 per month during month 25 through the balance of the Term. IHL/UM may terminate the lease if the 30-year term expires and the lease is not renewed. IHL/UM may also terminate the lease for breach of any of the express conditions listed. These express conditions include building specifications, use of the building, building

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improvements, running of and paying for utilities, maintenance of buildings and grounds, and building insurance. IHL/UM may also terminate the lease if the funds necessary for UM to care for and maintain the premises become unavailable. The sublease will terminate if the primary lease is terminated. The sublease may be terminated for the non-payment of rent or if one of the other conditions specified in the sublease is triggered such as failure to observe or perform any provision of the sublease within 30 days of notice, abandonment of the leased premises, involuntary petition in bankruptcy, or attachment, execution or other judicial seizure of assets or interest in sublease, or inability to pay generally debts, damage and destruction, eminent domain, non-availability of funds for UM to care for and maintain the property, force majeure, or if IHL/UM's consent has not been obtained by the thirtieth (30th) day after the mutual execution and delivery of the sublease. The Board of Trustees approved the original lease between IHL/UM and Pi Kapp and the original sublease between Kappa Alpha and Pi Kapp during its May 2023 board meeting. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.

54. **UM** – Approved the initiation of a third phase energy savings performance contract (ESPC) with Trane U.S. Inc. for the purchase of energy efficient equipment. In accordance with Mississippi Code Section 31-7-14, UM will purchase two 1450-ton centrifugal chillers and two 250-ton heat recovery chillers in support of IHL project #207-498 (NW Mechanical Plant – Mechanical Phase III). The equipment will be purchased under UM's current ESPC program with Trane. The proposed contract includes options to purchase up to two additional 1450-ton centrifugal chillers as well as extended warranties for all equipment that extends the standard 5-year warranty to 10 years. The proposed equipment has been coordinated with Eley Guild Hardy Architects (and Engineering Resource Group), the design professional (and mechanical engineering consultant) for project #207-498 and meets all required design specifications for the project. The delivery and startup performance period for the specified equipment is 548 days (18 months). The total contract amount is \$3,553,850. A breakdown of costs is included in the *bound August 17, 2023 Board Working File*. The equipment prices noted above are not-to-exceed prices. The actual price for the equipment will be the price specified in the General Services Administration (GSA) pricing schedule in effect for Trane equipment on the date the equipment is ordered. Funds are available from the Internal R&R funding previously approved for IHL #207-498. UM is requesting State funding for the IHL project #207-498 (NW Mechanical Plant – Mechanical Phase III). If granted and allowable, UM will reimburse the Internal R&R fund for this purchase with that funding. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed this item for compliance with applicable law and found it to be acceptable.
55. **UMMC** – Approved the exterior design of the IHL 409-005, New School of Nursing. A rendering is included in the *bound August 17, 2023 Board Working File*.
56. **IHL SYSTEM OFFICE** – Approved Facility Needs Request for the 2024 Legislative Session as prepared by each institution. These lists of campus priorities were developed in a similar manner as last year's lists, with each institution determining the top five ranking priorities of their respective campus. **(See Exhibit 1.)**

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57. **ASU** – Approved Dr. Marcus D. Ward as one of its legislative liaisons in accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity.
58. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Butler Snow, LLP to perform services necessary for intellectual property-related matters and other matters requiring specialized legal knowledge, including real estate and commercial matters. The contract term is two years from October 17, 2023 through October 16, 2025. The hourly rates for the first year of this two-year agreement are \$320 for attorneys, \$235 for trademark advisors and \$135 for paralegal services. The hourly rates for the second year of this two-year agreement are \$345 for attorneys, \$250 for trademark advisors and \$135 for paralegal services. The maximum amount payable under first year of this agreement is \$75,000 and \$75,000 in year two for a total of \$150,000 maximum over the full term of the agreement. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$20,000,000 per claim and an annual aggregate of \$40,000,000. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
59. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Jones Walker, LLP to perform services necessary in assisting and advising the university on legal issues concerning the review of strategic financing options, tax-exempt bond arbitrage, and rebate compliance and the use of bond-financed building and other matters relating to bond issues. The contract term is one year beginning August 25, 2023. The rate is \$1.15 for every \$1,000 of bonds issued by the EBC, for those that bear interest at both fixed and variable rates, plus out-of-pocket expenses, not to exceed \$4,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$50,000,000 per claim and an annual aggregate of \$100,000,000. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
60. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with the law firm of Stites & Harbison, PLLC to perform services necessary for obtaining patents for designs, processes, products and other patentable materials developed in connection with the university. The contract term is one year beginning July 1, 2023. The hourly rates for specific attorneys are as follows: Richard Myers, Jr., \$360; Mandy Decker, \$320; Jeff Haeblerlin, \$320; Terry Wright, \$320; James Hayne, \$230; Mari-Elise Paul, \$260; and \$95 for paralegal services. The maximum amount payable under the term of this agreement is \$75,000. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$10,000,000 per claim and an annual aggregate of \$20,000,000. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.
61. **MSU** – Approved the request to enter a contract with Winfield Law firm, P.A. to perform services necessary for intellectual property-related matters and other matters requiring specialized legal knowledge including real estate and commercial matters. The contract term is one year beginning October 19, 2023. The hourly rates are \$250 for attorneys and \$85 for paralegal services with a maximum amount payable of \$75,000 over the term of the agreement. This firm carries professional liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 per claim and an annual aggregate of \$2,000,000. This request has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.

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62. **MUW** – The Board retroactively approved a lobbying consultant agreement with Thompson & Associates, LLC to provide in-state lobbying and government relations consulting services. The term of the agreement is one year from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The request for retroactive approval is necessary because of the timing of the University’s change to a new lobbying firm and to allow MUW’s new agreement to run consistent with the university’s fiscal year. The contract amount is \$60,000 to be paid in monthly installments of \$5,000 each. This fee will be paid with self-generated funds of the MUW Foundation. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed the agreement and found same to be compliant with applicable law and Board policy. In accordance with Board Policy 201.0506 Political Activity, the firm’s client list and proposed agreement are included in the bound *August 17, 2023 Board Working File*.

PERSONNEL REPORT

63. **Employment**

Mississippi State University

- Nicholas Frank; Dean and Professor; College of Veterinary Medicine; Office of the Dean; salary \$340,000.00 per annum, pro rata, E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective September 1; 2023

Mississippi Valley State University

- Mulak Ahuja; *rehired retiree*; Staff Accountant-Reconciliations; salary of \$19,025 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Sandra Brim; *rehired retiree*; Recordkeeping Assistant; salary of \$9,360 per annum, pro rata; Grant Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Bettye Farmer; *rehired retiree*; GHEC Coordinator; salary of \$22,440 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Edgar Holman; Jr.; *rehired retiree*; Instructor of Math; Computer and Information Science; salary of \$29,150 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective August 14; 2023
- Darrell James; *rehired retiree*; Instructor of Math; Computer and Information Science; salary of \$21,414 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective August 14; 2023
- Debora Jackson; *rehired retiree*; Office Manager/K-12 Liaison; salary of \$17,595 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Dorothy Jones; *rehired retiree*; Director of Property/Shipping; salary of \$18,200 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Gwendolyn Vaughn; *rehired retiree*; Instructor of Health; Physical Education and Recreation; salary of \$30,750 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective August 14; 2023

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- Harvey Wardell; *rehired retiree*; Assistant Professor of Health; Physical Education and Recreation; salary of \$22;500 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective August 14; 2023
- Lem Williams; *rehired retiree*; Printshop Assistant; salary of \$10;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 10-month contract; effective August 1; 2023
- Raymond Williams; *rehired retiree*; Professor of Math; Computer and Information Science; salary of \$33;930 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; effective August 14; 2023

University of Mississippi Medical Center

- Tina Martin; Professor and Interim Dean; School of Nursing; salary \$225;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023

64. **Change of Status**

Alcorn State University

- Natasha Hutson; *from* Chief of Staff; salary of \$90;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; *to* Dean; University College; salary of \$100;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023
- Shirley Evers-Manly; *from* Interim Dean; School of Nursing and Professor; salary of \$165;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* Dean; School of Nursing and Professor; salary of \$175;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective July 1; 2023

University of Mississippi Medical Center

- Hanna Broome; *from* Associate Dean of Student Affairs and Recruitment; School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences; salary of \$140;000; per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* Chief Student Affairs Officer; Office of the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; salary of \$175;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12 -month contract; effective April 30; 2023
- Sydney Murphy; *from* Associate Dean for Academic Affairs; School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences; salary of \$171;350; per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; *to* Dean; School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences; salary of \$300;000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12 -month contract; effective July 1; 2023

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REGULAR AGENDAS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Presented by Trustee Hal Parker, Chair

On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Rader, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #1 & #2 as submitted on the Academic Affairs Agenda. On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #3.

1. **JSU** – Approved the following modifications to existing academic units.

Renaming and Reorganizing

- a. Current unit title: Department of Art and Theatre
Proposed unit title: Department of Art
Unit location: College of Liberal Arts
Effective date: August 2023
Cost of implementation: \$0
 - b. Current unit: Department of English, Foreign Languages, and Speech Communication
Proposed Title: Department of English and Modern Languages
Unit location: College of Liberal Arts
Effective date: August 2023
Cost of implementation: \$0
2. **JSU** – Approved the request to add a new academic unit:
Proposed unit title: Department of Speech Communication and Theatre
Unit location: College of Liberal Arts
Effective date: August 2023
 3. **UM** – Approved the request to add a new center:
Center Title: National Center for Narrative Intelligence (NCNI)
Center Location: Oxford Campus (The NCNI will report to the Vice Chancellor for Research and Sponsored Programs)
Scope: Limited Scope and Outreach
Type: Type 1 (Academic, Teaching, or Research)
Effective Date: November 2023

FINANCE AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Tom Duff, Chair

On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #1 - #3 as submitted on the Finance Agenda. Trustee Ogletree recused himself from discussing or voting on items #4 & #5 on the Finance Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, with Trustee Ogletree absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve items #4 & #5.

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Trustee Ogletree returned to the room following the discussion and vote on items #4 & #5 on the Finance Agenda. Trustee McNair recused himself from discussing or voting on item #6 on the Finance Agenda by leaving the room before there was any discussion or vote regarding the same. On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustee McNair absent and not voting, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to approve item #6. Trustee McNair returned to the room following the discussion and vote on item #6 on the Finance Agenda.

1. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to enter a professional services agreement with Sightlines, LLC, a Gordian Company, for facilities management services. For each IHL campus, Gordian will conduct a facilities condition assessment, develop a strategic capital plan, analyze the utilization of the academic space, and perform facilities benchmarking of space, capital, and operations metrics in context with appropriate peer institutions. The goals of these services are to identify the capacity and facilities conditions at each campus to assist the campuses with data-driven decisions to 1) strategically invest into the facilities to maximize the impact of the available capital, 2) improve space utilization, and 3) potentially right-size the campuses by decommissioning buildings. The initial term of the agreement is 3 years and 10 months, from approximately September 1, 2023, to June 30, 2027. The total contract cost is \$5,586,190. Payment will be issued upon receipt of an invoice as set forth in the Progress Billing Schedule in the Proposal. A breakdown of costs is included in the bound *August 17, 2023 Board Working File*. 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.
2. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Purchase Agreement with NuMedRx Pharmacy Solutions, LLC (NuMedRx) for the purchase of radiopharmaceutical drugs used in Nuclear Medicine and Positron Emission Tomography (PET) imaging for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes in pediatric and adult patients. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add and/or remove drugs listed in the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the agreement is sixty (60) months, from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2028. The estimated cost of the Agreement is \$21,375,000 over the five (5) year term. This cost includes a twenty-five (25%) annual increase for potential manufacturer price increases and 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.
3. **UMMC** – Approved the request to enter a Use, License, and Service Agreement (ULSA) with Intuitive Surgical, Inc. (Intuitive) for the placement, use, service, delivery, digital products, software license, and documentation needed to operate the systems, and training for two (2) da Vinci® Xi Dual Console Surgical Systems (da Vinci Xi) and one (1) da Vinci® SP® Dual Console System (da Vinci SP), as well as the trade in of one (1) UMMC-owned da Vinci Si Dual Console System. The da Vinci Xi systems and the da Vinci SP system are pieces of robotic equipment that perform precise, minimally invasive surgical procedures. The term of the Agreement is approximately seven (7) years and seventeen (17) days, from September 1, 2023 and ends seven (7) years from the acceptance date of

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the systems to UMMC. Delivery is anticipated to be on or about September 19, 2023, for an expected expiration date of September 18, 2030. The total estimated cost of the seven (7) year and seventeen (17) day term is \$11,225,000, which includes the per use charge for each system, funds potential additional service charges, and training. 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.

4. **UMMC** – Approved the request to amend its Point of Care Agreement with Abbott Laboratories, Inc. (Abbott) to extend the term of the agreement, update pricing, add thirteen (13) additional UMMC-owned pieces of equipment to the agreement for service, and revise the capital acquisition plan and the purchase commitment. The agreement is for the rental of fifteen (15) i-STAT analyzers, service for the leased analyzers, service for thirty-one (31) UMMC-owned analyzers, and the purchase of reagents and related supplies needed for diagnostic testing. The analyzers and associated supplies are used by UMMC to provide real-time lab results within minutes to test a patient’s blood gases, electrolytes (sodium, potassium, etc.), Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (HCG), and troponin levels. The Board also approved the request for the institution to add or remove reagents and related supplies under the agreement without seeking prior Board approval as long as adequate funds are available. The term of the amended contract is five (5) years, from September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2025. The term of the original agreement was three (3) years, beginning September 1, 2020. The amendment adds an additional two (2) years to the term of the agreement. The total estimated cost of the amended agreement over the five (5) year term is \$4,675,000. The original estimated cost of the agreement was \$3,175,000. The first amendment will increase the total cost of the agreement by \$1,500,000 over the amended term. 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.
5. **SYSTEM** – Approved the request to increase the maximum dollar limit for four disaster response, mitigation, and remediation services contracts on an as needed basis with Cotton Commercial USA (Cotton), Guarantee Restoration Services (Guarantee), NorthStar Recovery Services (NorthStar), and ServiceMaster Recovery Management (ServiceMaster). The contracts will provide labor, equipment, and materials in response to substantial property loss events, to include water extraction and drying, board-up and tarping, fire, smoke, and soot cleanup and restoration, and other response, mitigation, or remediation services. Services will be documented to meet FEMA requirements. These contracts began September 1, 2021, and terminate September 1, 2025, unless terminated sooner. The cost will vary based upon the IHL entity’s (the university or the Board Office) agreed-upon scope of work which will be necessitated by the particular loss event. This item increases the maximum expenditure under one of the previously approved contracts from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 per contract. The contracting entity, being a University or IHL, will pay directly for the services in which they contract. However, it is anticipated that the majority of these services would be paid by the system’s property insurance carrier, since the primary purpose of these contracts is to respond to large losses. The system’s insurer has been pleased with IHL’s initiative to have pre-negotiated response contracts

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available. Universities and/or IHL will contract directly with the vendor or vendors of their choice on an as-needed basis. 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 Medical Office Building Lease (Sublease) with Memorial Hospital at Gulfport (MHG) to sublease approximately 2,880 square feet of clinical space located at 833 Highway 90 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. UMMC currently subleases this space for use as a pediatric outpatient clinic. The term of the agreement is thirty-four (34) months, from September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026. The estimated total cost of the Sublease is \$270,965.53 over the term. Operating expenses were estimated based on historical use averages at this location with a 4% annual inflation adjustment that started in year two (2) of the sublease. Pursuant to Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods and Services, the Board approved the request to allow prepayment of rent on the first day of each month. The agreement will be funded by patient revenue. Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds same to be acceptable. The agreement is on file in the Board Office.

INFORMATION AGENDAS

Presented by Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. **SYSTEM** – In accordance with Board Policy 403.0103 Post-Tenure Review, the Board received the post-tenure review report. In 2022–2023, 85% of full-time faculty received an annual evaluation. Thirty-seven (37) faculty were triggered for a post-tenure review. One (1) faculty is participating in a faculty development plan.

Number of Full-time Faculty	Number of Full-time Faculty Evaluated	Number of Tenured Faculty	Number of Tenured Faculty Triggering Post Tenure Review Process	Maximum Length of Faculty Development Plan	Number of Tenured Faculty in Faculty Development Plan	Number of Tenured Faculty Completing Development Plan		Tenured Faculty Separated from Employment as a Result of the Post Tenure Review Process
						Successful	Unsuccessful	
Alcorn State University								
123	103	50	0	3 years	0	0	0	0
Delta State University								
139	135	61	1	3 years	1	1	0	0
Jackson State University								
260	257	149	1	2 years	0	0	0	0
Mississippi State University								
1,156	1,128	501	27	3 years	0	0	0	0
Mississippi University for Women								
148	148	61	0	3 years	0	0	0	0
Mississippi Valley State University								
188	188	78	8	2 years	0	0	0	0
University of Mississippi								
924	893	402	0	3 years	0	0	0	0

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University of Mississippi Medical Center								
925	808	182	0	1 year	0	0	0	0
University of Southern Mississippi								
672	192	309	0	2 years	0	0	0	0
System Totals								
4,535	3,852	1,793	37	1-3 years	1	1	0	0

DSU – SON 1 faculty member resigned in Dec. 2022 and annual evaluations were not done until spring 2023; COAS 2 faculty resigned prior to spring term; 1 faculty was going through appeals process.

JSU – CoHS 1 faculty member out of the country on Fulbright; CoLA 1 faculty member was on approved medical leave and didn't receive an evaluation; CoSET 1 faculty member on sabbatical leave 9/1/22-6/30/23.

UM – Accountancy 1 faculty retired and did not receive an annual review; Applied Sciences 1 administrator receives quadrennial reviews; Business 5 administrators undergo quadrennial reviews; Law 1 faculty member left the University; Liberal Arts 9 faculty members not reviewed (4 retired, 4 left UM, 1 deceased)

UMMC – 115 faculty members hired or promoted to faculty on or after July 1, 2021, so not included in the annual review process for 2022; 1 faculty member separating as a result of a notice of contract non-renewal; 1 faculty member out on leave.

USM - USM is in the process of moving the post-tenure review period from the academic year to the calendar year. In this bridge year, only junior tenure-stream faculty (162) and faculty seeking promotion in the next year will have a formal review. All Instructors of Record had their teaching evaluated through the usual student course evaluation process.

2. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Annual Report on Faculty Tenure. In 2017–2018, IHL institutions hired 132 tenure-track faculty members. As of the 2022–2023 academic year, 64% were awarded tenure from the 2017–2018 cohort.

Institution	Number Hired (2017-2018)	Number Applied for Tenure	Number Awarded Tenure	Percentage Awarded who Applied for Tenure	Number of Cohort Received Tenure	Percentage of Cohort Awarded Tenure
Alcorn State University	8	4	2	50%	1	16.67%
Delta State University	8	5	5	100%	5	62.50%
Jackson State University	5	16	14	87.50%	5	100%
Mississippi State University	49	30	29	98.41%	25	59.79%
Mississippi University for Women	3	2	2	100%	2	100%
Mississippi Valley State University	1	2	2	100%	1	100%
University of Mississippi	40	24	24	100%	10	25%
University of MS Medical Center	12	13	13	100%	6	50%
University of Southern Mississippi	6	4	4	100%	4	66.67%
**System Totals	132	100	95	95%	59	64.51%

ASU – Two (2) hired with tenure in Business. These two (2) are included in the total number hired but not included in the percentage of cohort awarded tenure.

JSU – Eleven (11) of the tenure-track faculty were members of the 2016 Cohort. These faculty members were granted a one-year extension.

MSU – One (1) faculty member received a Covid extension; one faculty member received tenure when hired.

MUW – One (1) faculty member resigned before tenure could be received.

USM - CAS: one (1) COVID Extension; CNHP: one (1) deferral

3. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Annual Report of Off-Campus Academic Programs in accordance with Board Policy 201.0507 Campus Locations and Programs.

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CIP	Type	Academic Program	Location	Hours
Alcorn State University				
51.3801	ASN	Nursing	Natchez Campus	36
51.3801	BSN	Nursing	Natchez Campus	60
51.3801	BSN	Nursing (RN to BSN)	Natchez Campus/Online	34*
51.3899	MSN	Nursing (Nurse Educator)	Natchez Campus/Online	35
51.3899	MSN	Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)	Natchez Campus/Online	44
51.3818	DNP	Nursing Practice	Natchez Campus/Online	36
52.0201	MBA	Business Administration	Natchez Campus	36
*Twenty-six (26) hrs of credit awarded as credit-by-examination (new curriculum)				
7 Off-Campus Programs Offered by Alcorn State University				
Jackson State University				
College of Health Sciences				
44.0701	MSW	Social Work	Universities Center	57
44.0701	PhD	Social Work	Universities Center	51
51.0203	BS	Communicative Disorders (Old Curriculum)	Jackson Medical Mall	43
51.0203	BS	Communicative Disorders (New Curriculum)	Jackson Medical Mall	48
51.0201	MS	Communicative Disorders	Jackson Medical Mall	52
51.0701	BS	Health Care Administration	Jackson Medical Mall	57
51.2201	MPH	Public Health	Jackson Medical Mall	45
51.2201	DPH	Public Health	Jackson Medical Mall	60
56.2201	BS	Public Health	Jackson Medical Mall	54
College of Education and Human Development				
13.0406	PhD	Urban Higher Education	MS e-Center	60
24.0102	BUS	University Studies (C2C)	Universities Center	44
30.9999	BS	Professional Interdisciplinary Studies	Universities Center	44
College of Liberal Arts				
09.0102	BS	Journalism and Media Studies	MS e-Center	60
09.0102	MS	Journalism and Media Studies	MS e-Center	30/33
44.0401	MPPA	Public Policy and Administration	101 Building W. Capitol St.	45
44.0401	PhD	Public Administration	101 Building W. Capitol St.	60
College of Science, Engineering, and Technology				
04.0301	MA	Urban & Regional Planning	101 Building W. Capitol St.	49
04.0301	PhD	Urban & Regional Planning	101 Building W. Capitol St.	48
18 Off-Campus Programs Offered by Jackson State University				
Mississippi State University				
09.0101	BA	Communication	Meridian Campus	62
13.0101	EdS	Education (Counselor Education)	Meridian Campus	30
13.0101	EdS	Education (Elementary Education)	Meridian Campus	30
13.0101	EdS	Education (School Administration)	Meridian Campus	40
13.0101	EdS	Education (Teacher Leadership)	Meridian Campus	30
13.0401	MS	Educational Leadership (School Administration)	Meridian Campus	33
13.0401	MS	Educational Leadership (Teacher Leadership)	Meridian Campus	30

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13.0407	MAT	Community College Instruction	Meridian Campus	30
13.1101	MS	Counselor Education (School Counseling)	Meridian Campus	60
13.1101	MS	Counselor Education (Clinical Mental Health)	Meridian Campus	60
13.1202	BS	Elementary Ed. (Early Childhood; Middle School)	Meridian Campus	63
13.1202	MS	Elementary Education	Meridian Campus	33
13.1203	MAT-ML	Middle Grades Education (Alternate.Route)	Meridian	36
13.1205	MAT- S	Secondary Teacher Education (Alternate.Route)	Meridian Campus	33
23.0101	BA	English	Meridian Campus	62
24.0101	BA	General Liberal Arts	Meridian Campus	62
30.9999	BS	Interdisciplinary Studies	Meridian Campus	62
42.0101	BA	Psychology	Meridian Campus	60
44.0701	BSW	Social Work	Meridian Campus	62
45.0401	BA	Criminology	Meridian Campus	62
51.0701	BAT	Applied Technology (Event and Hospitality Services)	Meridian Campus	60
51.0701	BAT	Applied Technology (Healthcare Services)	Meridian Campus	62
52.0201	BBA	Business Administration	Meridian Campus	62
54.0101	BA	History	Meridian Campus	62
14.1001	BS	Electrical Engineering	Gulf Coast Campus, Gautier	65
14.3501	BS	Industrial Engineering	Gulf Coast Campus, Gautier	65
14.1901	BS	Mechanical Engineering	Gulf Coast Campus, Gautier	64
04.0201	BArch	Architecture (fifth year)	Jackson, MS	30
04.0201	MS	Graduate Certificate	Gulf Coast Community Design Studio; Biloxi, MS	18
01.8001	DVM	Veterinary Medicine	Starkville, MS (Veterinary Specialty Center, Stark Road)	4
01.8001	DVM	Veterinary Medicine	Institute for Marine Mammal Studies (IMMS), Gulfport, MS	14
01.8001	DVM	Veterinary Medicine	Aquatic Laboratory, Stoneville, MS	14
32 Off-Campus Programs Offered by Mississippi State University				
Mississippi University for Women				
51.3801	BSN	RN to BSN Advanced Placement Option	Tupelo, MS	45
51.3801	BSN	Nursing Electives	Tupelo, MS	15
2 Off-Campus Programs Offered by Mississippi University for Women				
Mississippi Valley State University				
11.0101	BS	Computer Science	Bolivar County Regional Correctional Facility	35
15.0612	BS	Engineering Technology	Bolivar County Regional Correctional Facility	35

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52.0201	BS	Business Administration	Bolivar County Regional Correctional Facility	35
11.0101	BS	Computer Science	Delta Correctional Facility	27
15.0612	BS	Engineering Technology	Delta Correctional Facility	27
52.0201	BS	Business Administration	Delta Correctional Facility	27
6 Off-Campus Programs Offered by Mississippi Valley State University				
University of Mississippi				
09.0401	BAJ	Journalism (emphasis in Integrated Marketing Communication)	Tupelo	62
13.0301	EdS	Curriculum and Instruction	Tupelo	30
13.0401	EdS	Educational Leadership (K-12 Administration)	Tupelo	30
13.1101	MEd	Counselor Education (Community Counseling)	Tupelo	60
13.1101	MEd	Counselor Education (School Counseling)	Tupelo	48
22.0000	BLS	Law Studies	Tupelo	60
42.0101	BA	Psychology	Tupelo	60
43.0103	MCJ	Criminal Justice	Tupelo	30
44.0701	BSW	Social Work	Tupelo	60
52.1201	BBA	Management Information Systems	Tupelo	60
52.0301	BAccy	Accountancy	Tupelo	62
13.0301	MEd	Curriculum and Instruction	Tupelo and Booneville	30
13.0401	MEd	Educational Leadership (K-12)	Tupelo and Booneville	30
13.1202	BAEd	Elementary Education	Tupelo and Booneville	61
24.0102	BUS	University Studies (C2C)	Tupelo and Booneville	30
30.0000	BA	Interdisciplinary Studies	Tupelo and Booneville	60
30.0000	BMdS	Multi-Disciplinary Studies	Tupelo and Booneville	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Corrections)	Tupelo and Booneville	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Homeland Security)	Tupelo and Booneville	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Law Enforcement)	Tupelo and Booneville	60
51.0000	BA	Allied Health Studies	Tupelo and Booneville	60
51.0201	BS	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Tupelo and Booneville	62
52.0201	BBA	General Business	Tupelo and Booneville	60
52.0201	BBA	Management	Tupelo and Booneville	60
52.0801	BBA	Finance	Tupelo and Booneville	60
52.1401	BBA	Marketing	Tupelo and Booneville	60
09.0401	BAJ	Journalism (emphasis in Integrated Marketing Communication)	Southaven	62
13.0301	MEd	Curriculum and Instruction	Southaven	30
13.0301	EdS	Curriculum and Instruction	Southaven	30
13.0401	MEd	Educational Leadership (K-12 Administration)	Southaven	30

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13.0401	EdS	Educational Leadership (K-12 Administration)	Southaven	30
13.1202	BAEd	Elementary Education	Southaven	61
22.0000	BSLS	Law Studies	Southaven	60
24.0102	BUS	University Studies	Southaven	30
30.0000	BA	Interdisciplinary Studies	Southaven	60
30.0000	BMdS	Multi-Disciplinary Studies	Southaven	60
42.0101	BA	Psychology	Southaven	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Corrections)	Southaven	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Homeland Security)	Southaven	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Law Enforcement)	Southaven	60
43.0103	MCJ	Criminal Justice	Southaven	30
44.0701	BSW	Social Work	Southaven	60
51.0000	BA	Allied Health Studies	Southaven	60
51.0201	BS	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Southaven	62
52.0201	BBA	General Business	Southaven	60
52.0201	BBA	Management	Southaven	60
52.1201	BBA	Management Information Systems	Southaven	60
52.0301	BAccy	Accountancy	Southaven	62
52.0801	BBA	Finance	Southaven	60
52.1499	BBA	Marketing	Southaven	60
13.0301	MEd	Curriculum and Instruction	Grenada	30
13.0301	EdS	Curriculum and Instruction	Grenada	30
13.0401	MEd	Educational Leadership (K-12 Administration)	Grenada	30
13.0401	EdS	Educational Leadership (K-12 Administration)	Grenada	30
13.1202	BAEd	Elementary Education	Grenada	61
24.0102	BUS	University Studies (C2C)	Grenada	30
30.0000	BMdS	Multi-Disciplinary Studies	Grenada	60
43.0107	MCJ	Criminal Justice	Grenada	30
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Corrections)	Grenada	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Homeland Security)	Grenada	60
43.0103	BSCJ	Criminal Justice (emphasis in Law Enforcement)	Grenada	60
51.0000	BA	Allied Health Studies	Grenada	60
51.0201	BS	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Grenada	62
52.0201	BBA	General Business	Grenada	60
13.1202	BAEd	Elementary Education	Rankin	61
65 Off-Campus Programs Offered by University of Mississippi				

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CIP	Type	Academic Program	Location	Hours
The University of Mississippi Medical Center				
51.3801	BSN	Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Oxford, MS	48
1 Off-Campus Program Offered by University of Mississippi Medical Center				
The University of Southern Mississippi				
09.0401	BA	Journalism	Gulf Park	15
11.0101	BS	Computer Science	Gulf Park	96
11.0101	MS	Computer Science	Gulf Park	5
11.0301	BS	Information Technology	Gulf Park	9
11.1003	BAS	Cybersecurity	Gulf Park	6
13.0501	MS	Instructional Technology	Gulf Park	4
13.0501	PhD	Instructional Technology and Design	Gulf Park	4
13.1202	BS	Elementary Education	Gulf Park	47
13.1316	MS	STEM Education	Gulf Park	1
13.1316	PhD	STEM Education	Gulf Park	5
14.2401	BS	Ocean Engineering	Gulf Park	19
14.3201	BS	Polymer Science	Gulf Park	14
15.0101	BS	Architectural Engineering Technology	Gulf Park	6
15.0303	BS	Electronics and Computer Technology	Gulf Park	3
15.0303	BS	Electronics Engineering Technology	Gulf Park	3
15.0612	BS	Industrial Engineering Technology	Gulf Park	3
16.0101	BA	World Languages	Gulf Park	3
19.0704	BS	Child and Family Studies	Gulf Park	49
22.0302	BA	Legal Studies	Gulf Park	12
22.0302	BA	Paralegal Studies	Gulf Park	12
23.0101	BA	English	Gulf Park	90
24.0101	BUS	University Studies (C2C)	Gulf Park	9
24.0101	BLS	Liberal Studies	Gulf Park	41
25.0101	BS	Library and Information Science	Gulf Park	12
26.0101	BS	Biological Sciences	Gulf Park	134
26.0101	MS	Biological Sciences	Gulf Park	1
26.1302	MS	Coastal Sciences	Gulf Park	3
26.1302	PhD	Coastal Sciences	Gulf Park	3
26.1302	BS	Marine Biology	Gulf Park	142
27.0101	BS	Mathematics	Gulf Park	82
29.0306	CP18	Uncrewed Maritime Systems (UG)	Gulf Park	22
30.3301	BS	Sustainability Sciences (Coastal System Dynamics)	Gulf Park	34
30.9999	BIS	Interdisciplinary Studies	Gulf Park	18
31.0504	BSBA	Sport Management	Gulf Park	3
31.0505	BS	Human Performance	Gulf Park	25
31.0505	BS	Kinesiology	Gulf Park	25
40.0501	BS	Chemistry	Gulf Park	9
40.0607	BS	Marine Science	Gulf Park	143
40.0801	BS	Physics	Gulf Park	3

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CIP	Type	Academic Program	Location	Hou rs
42.0101	BS	Psychology	Gulf Park	105
42.0101	PhD	Psychology	Gulf Park	3
43.0104	BA	Criminal Justice	Gulf Park	132
43.0406	BA	Forensics	Gulf Park	3
44.0701	BSW	Social Work	Gulf Park	76
44.0701	MSW	Social Work	Gulf Park	61
45.0603	BS	Applied Economics	Gulf Park	4
45.0701	BS	Geography	Gulf Park	15
45.0701	MS	Geography	Gulf Park	5
45.1001	BA	Political Science	Gulf Park	21
45.1001	BS	Political Science	Gulf Park	32
45.1001	MA	Political Science	Gulf Park	3
45.1101	BS	Sociology	Gulf Park	3
50.0702	BA	Art	Gulf Park	12
50.0706	BA	Media and Entertainment Arts	Gulf Park	96
50.1003	BA	Entertainment Industry	Gulf Park	9
51.1005	BS	Medical Laboratory Science	Gulf Park	4
51.1005	BS	Medical Technology	Gulf Park	4
51.3101	BS	Nutrition and Dietetics	Gulf Park	3
51.3801	BSN	Nursing	Gulf Park	11
51.9999	BS	Health Sciences	Gulf Park	91
52.0201	BSBA	Business Administration	Gulf Park	76
52.0201	MBA	Business Administration	Gulf Park	15
52.0201	BSBA	Management	Gulf Park	35
52.0210	BAS	Applied Technology	Gulf Park	3
52.0301	BSBA	Accounting	Gulf Park	55
52.1001	BSBA	Human Resources Management	Gulf Park	12
52.1005	MS	Human Capital Development	Gulf Park	3
52.1005	PhD	Human Capital Development	Gulf Park	17
52.1401	BSBA	Marketing	Gulf Park	41
52.2001	BS	Construction Management	Gulf Park	10
54.0101	BA	History	Gulf Park	79
54.0101	PhD	History	Gulf Park	3
26.0101	BS	Biological Sciences	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	1
26.1302	MS	Coastal Sciences	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	33
26.1302	PhD	Coastal Sciences	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	27
26.1302	BS	Marine Biology	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	31
40.0607	MS	Marine Science	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory	9
14.2401	BS	Ocean Engineering	Marine Research Center	10
40.0607	BS	Marine Science	Marine Research Center	10
29.0306	CP18	Uncrewed Maritime Systems (UG)	Marine Research Center	22
26.1302	MS	Coastal Sciences	Stennis Center	3
26.0101	PhD	Biological Sciences	Stennis Center	3
40.0601	MS	Geology	Stennis Center	4
40.0607	MS	Hydrographic Science	Stennis Center	40
40.0607	BS	Marine Science	Stennis Center	2
40.0607	MS	Marine Science	Stennis Center	35
40.0607	PhD	Marine Science	Stennis Center	59

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CIP	Type	Academic Program	Location	Hours
45.0701	MS	Geography	Stennis Center	1
88 Off-Campus Programs Offered by University of Southern Mississippi				
A Total of 213 Off-Campus Programs Offered by the System				

FINANCE

4. **MSU** – In May 2023, Mississippi State University received IHL Board approval to initiate the EBC bond process to issue tax-exempt or taxable bonds through the Mississippi State University Educational Building Corporation (MSUEBC). Debt issuance should not exceed \$125 million. The loan term will not exceed 30 years. Funds will be used to help finance the construction of a new Residence Hall and renovations to the west side of Davis Wade Stadium. In May 2021, Mississippi State University received IHL Board approval to refund up to \$140 million par value, fixed rate bonds. Due to changes in market conditions, the refunding transaction was not completed. Current market conditions are still not favorable for a refunding transaction. However, the university and its Financial Advisor will continue to monitor market conditions between now and executing the \$125 million new money transaction. In the event market conditions improve and provide an opportunity to refund some or all \$140 million par value, fixed rate bonds, the university intends to combine the new money and refunding amounts into a single debt issuance transaction. In May 2021, the IHL Board approved the request to issue through the Mississippi State University Educational Building Corporation (MSU EBC) revenue bonds in one or more tax-exempt and/or taxable series to refund all or a portion of the outstanding Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 (Refunding and Improvements Project) dated October 11, 2013, Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A (New Facilities and Refinancing Project) dated May 6, 2014, Taxable Revenue Bonds, Series 2014B (New Facilities Project), dated May 6, 2014, and Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 (Campus Improvements Project) dated April 8, 2015 (collectively, the “Prior Bonds”). The primary purpose of issuing the bonds is to realize interest rate savings for MSU by refunding the Prior Bonds. The Board approved the request to pay the costs of issuance, sale and delivery of the bonds and approval of necessary bond documents. The Board also reviewed and approved the financial advisor’s report provided by Hilltop Securities. The professionals are as follows: Financial Advisor – Hilltop Securities; Bond Counsel – Jones Walker LLP; and Underwriters – Either Raymond James & Associates, Inc., Wells Fargo Bank, National Association and/or Stephens, Inc. and such other underwriters as are named in the Bond Purchase Agreement, will serve as underwriters for the bonds, or placement agents in the event a private placement transaction is utilized.
5. **SYSTEM** – The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services (MS-ITS) is acting as contracting agent for the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) and is entering into an agreement amendment with Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI). The REMI software provides a dynamic forecasting and policy analysis tool used in support of impact studies of economic development projects, state policy proposals, and tax policy proposals. The amendment will have an annual cost of \$82,500 for IHL

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Executive Office and \$15,000.00 each for MSU, UM, USM and JSU, totaling \$142,500.00 annually, not to exceed \$427,500.00 over the three-year term ending June 30, 2026.

6. **UM** – The Mississippi Department of Information Technology approved the CP1 and Statement of Work agreement with Avaya on behalf of the University of Mississippi. The University currently has (28) Avaya G650 gateways across campus, which reached the end of hardware support in 2021 and are scheduled to reach the end of their services support in 2024. To ensure the reliability, performance, and security of our communication infrastructure, UM Telecommunications will replace these end-of-life G650 gateways with (24) G450 gateways. The replacement of the G650 gateways is necessary to maintain a robust and dependable communication system, while also ensuring that our infrastructure remains protected with the latest security features and patches. To facilitate this upgrade, the University of Mississippi has submitted an ITS competitive procurement request as per ITS RFP 3983, with a total cost of \$483,012.64. This amount includes \$480,174.64 allocated for hardware acquisition and an additional \$2,838.00 designated for Carousel Industries project management fees. UM Telecommunication's staff will oversee the installation of the new G450 gateways and execute the migration process from the G650s to the G450s. Upon completion of the hardware installation, Carousel Industries will complete the necessary registrations with Avaya on our behalf. Information is on file in the Board office.

REAL ESTATE

7. **SYSTEM** – The Board received the Real Estate items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the June 15, 2023 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval. (See Exhibit 2.)

LEGAL

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

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

9. **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. **MSU** – On June 15, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the Amendment to the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and Boutwell Rental, LLC for office space located in Hattiesburg, MS to be used for purposes related to MSU's early childhood services, including referrals, training, and technical assistance. The term of the original agreement is from June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024. The total square footage of the space is 3,832 and the total rental fee is \$54,000 to be paid in twelve monthly installments. This rental fee will be paid by MSU using a grant from the Mississippi Department of Human Services. The Amendment will add a provision that obligates MSU to be responsible for utilities and janitorial services. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed the Amendment to the lease agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board

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

- b. **MSU** – On June 16, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College for approximately 4,413 square feet of space on the MGCCC campus in which to house the Mississippi Cyber Initiative. The term of the lease is two years beginning July 1, 2023 at a cost of \$2,669.87 per month, payable on the first day of each month for a total cost of \$64,076 for the term of the lease. Funding for this lease is provided through a contract from the Mississippi Development Authority specifically for the Mississippi Cyber Initiative. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- c. **MSU** – On June 16, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the Rental Agreement between Mississippi State University and BCR Investments LLC for a 1,000 square foot climate-controlled storage space at 125 Tuxford Road in Starkville, MS for storing materials utilized for its New Maroon Camp. The initial term of the agreement is one year beginning June 15, 2023, with the option to renew for two subsequent one-year periods, at a cost of \$2,175 per quarter payable in advance at the beginning of each quarter. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- d. **MSU** – On July 7, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the renewal of an existing Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and East Mississippi Center for Educational Development for approximately 300 square feet of office space at the MSU-Meridian College Park Campus. The renewal term of the lease is for one year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. This is a revenue generating lease. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- e. **MSU** – On August 2, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University (lessee) and the Biloxi Public School District (lessor) for six classrooms and associated areas on the Nichols Elementary School campus in which to operate a Head Start location in connections with Nichols Elementary. The term of the lease is one year from August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024. The cost is \$57,600 annually to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments due on the first day of each month. Further, MSU will reimburse the District a pro rata share of annual expenses for floor stripping and waxing, not to exceed \$2,000. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed the agreement and

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found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.

- f. **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 July 20, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the revisions for the FY 2023 *Ayers* academic programs budgets after conducting a review of the same. It appears that these revisions were necessary to align 2023 budgets to individual program needs for the year. Per IHL *Ayers* administrative guidelines, the institutions are required to either report these revisions to the IHL Executive Office (i.e. self-approved revisions) or have certain proposed budgetary revisions pre-approved by the IHL Executive Office. The requested revisions do not fit under the pre-approval by the IHL Executive Office policy section of the guidelines. The IHL Executive Office financial and academic staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. These budget revisions contain no increases in the total budgets but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
- g. **UM** – 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 June 15, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the request for revisions to the Mississippi Law Research Institute Budget, the Mississippi Mineral Resources Institute Budget, the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences Budget, the Super Computer Budget, the Center for Manufacturing Excellence Budget, and the State Court Education Program Budget for Fiscal Year 2023. The Executive Office financial staff have reviewed and approved these revisions. These budget revisions contain no increases to the total budgets but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
- h. **USM** – On June 19, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the First Amendment to the Contractual Agreement for Legal Services between the University of Southern Mississippi and Mayo Mallette, PLLC. This Amendment will increase the maximum authorized amount payable during the second year of this two-year agreement from \$40,000 to \$50,000, and will, therefore, increase the total amount payable under the contract from \$80,000 to \$90,000. This increase is necessary because the firm’s ongoing representation of the university in existing legal matters has required efforts slightly in excess of that originally projected. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the amended leases and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 1102.02 Payment of Outside Counsel subsection D. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- i. **USM** – In accordance with Board Policy 1107 Enactment of Traffic Rules and Regulations, “the Board hereby delegates to the Commissioner of Higher Education

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the power to approve and authorize the enactment of such university traffic rules and regulations, which shall include university parking and traffic fines and fees, on behalf of the Board.” On July 13, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Parking and Traffic Regulations 2023-2024, effective as of August 1, 2023. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed and approved the documents.

**HEALTH AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE REPORT
Wednesday, August 16, 2023**

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.

1. The Committee discussed the monthly financial summary and the strategic goal dashboard and received a quarterly clinical quality update. **No action was taken.**

2. Executive Session

On motion by Trustee Duff, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustees Cummings and Morgan 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 Duff, seconded by Trustee Rader, with Trustees Cummings and Morgan absent and not voting, 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 the strategic business plans of a public hospital.

Discussion of the location, relocation or expansion of a business, medical service or industry.

Discussion of a personnel matter at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

During Executive Session, the following matters were discussed:

The Committee discussed the strategic business plans of a public hospital. **No action was taken.**

The Committee discussed the location, relocation or expansion of a business, medical service or industry. **No action was taken.**

The Committee discussed a personnel matter at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Duff, with Trustees Cummings, Hubbard, and Morgan absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to return to open session.

3. On motion by Trustee McNair, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustees Cummings, Hubbard, and Morgan absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn.

The following Committee members were present: Dr. Steven Cunningham (Chair), Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Ms. Jeanne Luckey, Mr. Bruce Martin, Dr. Alfred McNair, Mr. Gee Ogletree,

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Mr. Hal Parker, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Dr. Walt Starr. Dr. Ormella Cummings and Mr. Chip Morgan were absent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Trustee Chip Morgan noted that the real estate projects have doubled due to the increased funding provided by the Mississippi Legislature and the excellent work of the IHL staff and the institutional executive officers.
- Trustee Gee Ogletree reported that each year the Department of Finance and Administration staff, State legislators comprising the Facilities Management Advisory Committee, IHL Real Estate and Facilities staff, and university staff from the presenting institution all attend the summer facility tours in the months of June, July, and August. During the tour, each institution presents its initial top five priorities that it plans to seek funding for in the upcoming Legislative Session. Trustee Ogletree and several other trustees participated in one or more of the tours this year. These tours provided a better understanding of the challenges faced by each institution.
- Trustee Jeanne Luckey announced that the Board Office recently launched the IHL ADA/Accessibility Services Task Force to ensure that individuals with disabilities have equal opportunities to thrive in our university system. The task force includes representatives of all eight universities, the Department of Finance and Administration and IHL. Over the next 10 months the task force will meet to share experiences, best practices, and strategies for creating inclusive and accessible learning environments for all students. The task force will work in subgroups to address Academic Affairs, Events and Student Engagement, Housing and Facilities, Policies and Procedures and Surveys and Assessments. They will share best practices and recommend actions and policies to make our campuses more welcoming and accessible for students with disabilities. The task force will focus on current best practices and accessibility initiatives; universal design and accessibility standards across campuses; addressing shared barriers and challenges to access; collaborative solutions, assistive and adaptive technologies; and access to resources.
- President McNair noted that the Board will hold its annual retreat in September on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.
- President McNair invited the university presidents to report on current activities on their campuses.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an Executive Session. On motion by Trustee Luckey, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, all Trustees legally

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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 one Delta State University personnel matter related to a university employee's request for the Board's review of the university's personnel decision.

Discussion of one Jackson State University personnel matter related to the employment of a person in the permanent Jackson State University president's position.

Discussion of one IHL Executive Office personnel matter related to an employee in a specific position.

Discussion of one University of Mississippi Medical Center personnel matter related to an employee in a specific position.

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

The Board discussed one University of Mississippi Medical Center personnel matter related to an employee in a specific position. **No action was taken.**

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Martin, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to decline a Delta State University employee's request for the Board's review of the university's personnel decision regarding that employee and refer it back for President Dr. Daniel Ennis to review.

The Board discussed one Jackson State University personnel matter related to the employment of a person in the permanent Jackson State University president's position. **No action was taken.**

The Board discussed one IHL Executive Office personnel matter related to an employee in a specific position. **No action was taken.**

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

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Duff, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

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EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 Facility Needs Request for the 2024 Legislative Session.
- Exhibit 2 Real Estate items that were approved by the IHL Board staff subsequent to the June 15, 2023 Board meeting.
- Exhibit 3 Report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel.

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Facilities Needs Requests for FY 2025 2024 Legislative Session

University	University Priority	Project Description	Request Per Project	Total By University
ASU	1	Whitney Complex and Wellness Center (Partial Funding)	\$11,885,000	
	2	Walter Washington Administration & Classroom Building Renovation – Phase I	\$8,610,000	
	3	Renovation of K.L. Simmons Technology Building, Phase I	\$7,475,000	
	4	ADA Modifications, Phase II	\$4,540,000	
	5	Faculty and Staff Housing, Phase II	\$13,450,000	
				\$45,960,000
ASU -AG	1	Poultry/Animal Science Academic Research Center Phase I	\$3,570,000	
	2	Ag Facility Envelope & Infrastructure Repairs, Phase I	\$2,270,000	
	3	Hydroponic Outreach & Research Greenhouse	\$3,470,000	
	4	STEM Outreach Center	\$11,917,500	
				\$21,227,500
DSU	1	Campus-Wide Roofing Project <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$4,540,000	
	2	HVAC and Electrical Upgrades <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$4,540,000	
	3	Renovation and Upgrading of Campus Buildings	\$4,540,000	
	4	Repair, Renovation, and Demo of Campus Residence Halls <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$11,350,000	
	5	Walter Sillers Renovation	\$4,540,000	
				\$29,510,000
JSU	1	Campus Sustainability & Infrastructure Improvements	\$28,375,000	
	2	McAllister Residence Hall Renovation <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$20,089,500	
	3	New Student Residential Hall	\$68,100,000	
	4	Campus Safety Project	\$13,920,775	
	5	Rosa E. McCoy Building <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$5,675,000	
				\$136,160,275
MSU	1	New Facility & Renovation for College of Architecture, Art and Design	\$15,000,000	
	2	South Campus Mechanical Plant <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$20,000,000	
	3	Renovation of Existing Facilities (Rice Hall or Similar) <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$5,000,000	
	4	Renovation of Existing Facilities (Magruder, Carpenter, Hull, Etheridge or Similar)	\$24,000,000	
				\$64,000,000
MSU/DAFVM	1	Bost Extension Center / Technology Renovation	\$11,552,500	
	2	Wise Center Upgrades & Aquaculture Biosecurity Unit	\$9,259,750	
	3	Transforming MAFES Research and Extension Ctr Infrastructure <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$15,986,000	
	4	Plant Sciences Building	\$43,550,500	
	5	Thompson Hall Annex <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$26,120,000	
				\$106,468,750

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University	University Priority	Project Description	Request Per Project	Total By University
MUW	1	Peyton Hall Renovation (Pre-Plan) <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$300,000	
	2	Old Pohl Gym Renovation	\$9,080,000	
	3	Hogarth Center Renovation	\$22,700,000	
	4	Painter Hall Renovation (Pre-Plan)	\$300,000	
	5	Fant Hall Renovation (Pre-Plan)	\$300,000	
				\$32,680,000
MVSU	1	New Residence Hall	\$28,511,200	
	2	O.P. Lowe Education Building	\$36,605,321	
	3	Walter Sillers Fine Arts Building Renovation	\$17,470,945	
	4	F.L. Wright Math and Science Renovation	\$23,112,426	
	5	W.A. Butts Social Science Building	\$20,363,370	
				\$126,063,262
UM	1	Northwest Mechanical Plant (Electrical)	\$8,700,000	
	2	Data Center Facility Renovation	\$11,150,000	
	3	Northwest Mechanical Plant (Mechanical)	\$39,000,000	
	4	School of Accountancy	\$0	
	5	Shoemaker Hall	\$0	
				\$58,850,000
UMMC	1	Critical Infrastructure Needs	\$10,500,000	
	2	Stadium Traffic Circulation Improvements <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$5,000,000	
	3	ADA Study and Remediation – Phase I <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$2,000,000	
	4	Stadium Traffic Circulation Improvements <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$3,500,000	
				\$21,000,000
USM	1	Hickman Hall	\$2,000,000	
	2	Science Research Building	\$72,000,000	
	3	General R&R	\$5,000,000	
	4	Science Teaching Facility (Pre-Plan) <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$1,000,000	
	5	Southern Hall – Restoration and Renovation	\$20,000,000	
				\$100,000,000
USM-Gulf Coast	1	GCRL – General R&R	\$567,500	
	2	Gulf Park Campus – General R&R	\$681,000	
	3	GCRL – Short Term Housing Replacement <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$681,000	
	4	Gulf Coast Geospatial Center Building Replacement <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$1,135,000	
	5	Gulf Park – HVAC Controls Repairs and Renovations <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$800,000	
				\$3,972,500

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University	University Priority	Project Description	Request Per Project	Total By University
ERC	1	First Floor Window Replacement <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$2,500,000	
	2	Parking Garage, Stair Replacement & Site Drainage	\$6,200,000	
	3	Campus Site Drainage <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$1,300,000	
	4	Window Replacement Floors 2-9 <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$8,700,000	
	5	ERC Plumbing Replacement <i>(New FY 2025 Addition)</i>	\$1,200,000	
				\$19,900,000
				<u>\$765,792,287</u>

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SYSTEM: REAL ESTATE ITEMS APPROVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE JUNE 15, 2023, 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.

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

1. JSU- GS 103-308 – DINING HALL EXTENSION

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Durrell Design Group

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 23, 2023

Project Initiation Date: April 20, 2023

Design Professional: Durell Design Group

General Contractor: TBD

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

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

2. MSU- GS #105-366 – 20”INCH FORCE MAIN PHASE 2 (ARPA INFRASTRUCTURE – WASTE COLL. & CONV. (SAND CREEK LS 20 INCH FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PHASE 2)

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$2,802,580.00 to the apparent low bidder Eubank Construction Co., Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 30, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: Garver Engineering, LLC

General Contractor: Eubank Construction Co., Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$3,175,000.00

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3. **MSU- IHL #205-283 – ADDITIONS AND RENOVATION TO HUMPHREY COLISEUM PHASE 1**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #6

Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$239,714.20 and zero(0) additional days to the contract of Thrash Commercial Contractors, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #6 includes the following: installed additional electrical to install SJ Stanchions for exterior lighting of arena walls, roof modifications and flashings at each stanchion; performed sitework and hardscape; installed two (2) additional CR #40 standard equipment racks with vertical cable managers, and an open-access cable management system in the MDF Room; installed cementitious plaster to the nw areas of the foundation & retaining wall; installed an EFIS wall system at four(4) locations where the Clerestory stops short of the existing brick wall of the arena structure; removed existing masonry planters, omitted proposed new planters, removed piping, changed the gate top, added concrete sidewalks and moved the west side entrance in the curtain wall system; removed and disposed three (3) existing control panels and capped all associated pneumatic lines to maintain pressure on the system; installed rubber stair treads, risers and floor tiles in the existing stair (long stair accessing the arena floor from the concourse level near Mize; added installation of new ceramic tile to the existing restrooms to include women and men in the north west concourse and the north east concourse, and men in the south east concourse.

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

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Six (6) change orders for a total amount of \$1,949,452.98.

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

4. **MSU- IHL #205-308 – CVM EXPANSION TO THE ANIMAL EMERGENCY & REFERRAL CENTER**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #4

Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$44,447.17 and thirty (30) additional days to the contract of The Arcon Group, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following: added paint to walls, ceilings, doors, and door casings in the existing building; fire caulking done in several penetrations in walls above the ceilings; additional asphalt was added for storm water to properly drain towards an existing flume on the west side of the north entry into the parking lot; rip rap was added at the south side of the project to stabilize the area; added fluid applied flooring in rooms within the existing building; relocation of the existing breaker/disconnect was done; the new parking lot was striped with two (2) handicap parking lots and an additional sign was added to properly indicate the additional ADA

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parking spots; additional room signs were provided for exam rooms with two (2) entrances; and thirty (30) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; 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 \$71,897.46.

Project Initiation Date: April 16, 2020

Design Professional: MP Design Group

General Contractor: The Arcon Group, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$5,600,000.00

5. **MSU- IHL #205-309 – MSU ICE PLANT EXPANSION**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #2

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$21,176.64 and one hundred ninety (190) additional days to the contract of Brislin, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 27, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following: modifications to the mezzanine support structures; credit to omit permanent gate/fencing; credit for chiller wiring not required; credit to omit interior window painting; and one hundred ninety (190) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; user/owner requested modifications and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$323,278.51.

Project Initiation Date: August 20, 2009

Design Professional: Engineering Resource Group, Inc.

General Contractor: Brislin, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$7,387,000.00

6. **MSU- IHL #205-313 – HULL HALL NEW ROOF**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$25,912.95 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Roofing Solutions, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: removed damaged stone down to the frieze and rebuilt in two areas; repaired twelve (12) damaged masonry quoin corners around three buildings; added ¼” substrate board directly to the back of the parapet wall to create a smooth surface; deduct from allowance; and added 15% OHP to PCO #1 remainder.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to latent job site conditions.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$25,912.95.

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Project Initiation Date: May 20, 2021
Design Professional: Shafer Zahner Zahner, PLLC
General Contractor: Roofing Solutions, LLC
Total Project Budget: \$1,500,000.00

7. **MSU- IHL #205-327 – RICE HALL RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$2,235,550.00 to the apparent low bidder Codaray Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 27, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: Shafer Zahner Zahner

General Contractor: Codaray Construction, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$3,000,000.00

8. **MSU- IHL#205-328A – NEW RESIDENCE HALL (SITE PACKAGE)**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Wier Boerner Allin Architecture.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 9, 2023

Approval Request #2: Contract Documents

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by Wier Boerner Allin Architecture.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Approval Request #3: Advertise

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: October 25, 2022

Design Professional: Wier Boerner Allin Architecture

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$7,500,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$96,000,000.00

9. **MSU- IHL#205-328 – NEW RESIDENCE HALL**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Wier Boerner Allin Architecture.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 19, 2023

Project Initiation Date: October 25, 2022

Design Professional: Wier Boerner Allin Architecture

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$96,000,000.00

10. **MSU- IHL #205-329 – SANDERSON CENTER RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

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Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by WBA Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Project Initiation Date: November 17, 2022

Design Professional: WBA Architects

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,500,000.00

11. **MSU- IHL #205-334 – RCU (RESEARCH & CURRICULUM UNIT) RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by MP Design Group

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 26, 2023

Project Initiation Date: April 20, 2023

Design Professional: MP Design Group

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,000,000.00

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

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$47,990,000.00 to the apparent low bidder AnderCorp, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 7, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy/Dale Partners (Joint Venture)

General Contractor: AnderCorp, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$65,000,000.00

13. **MSU- IHL #405-003 – RENOVATIONS & ADDITIONS FOR THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, ART AND DESIGN (CAAD)**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Belinda Stewart Architects & Wier Boerner Allin Architecture (A Joint Venture)

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 16, 2023

Project Initiation Date: August 19, 2021

Design Professional: Belinda Stewart Architects & Wier Boerner Allin Architecture (A Joint Venture)

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$320,000.00 (Design Fees Only)

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

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$41,241.15 and twenty (20) additional days to the contract of Ethos Contracting Group, LLC.

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Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 14, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: cooler room floor infill done; replaced settled slab beneath the auditorium; added a valve at the fire protection line; credit for controls allowance package; and twenty (20) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$41,241.15.

Project Initiation Date: August 20, 2020

Design Professional: Belinda Stewart Architects

General Contractor: Ethos Contracting Group, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$13,000,000.00

15. **MSU- IHL #413-144 – SUSTAINABLE BIOPRODUCTS PHASE 1 (REROOFING)**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the credit amount of \$11,919.00 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Norman Enterprises, Inc. DBA Norman Roofing.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: installed a new sidewalk on the west side of the building; removed unused exhaust fan and cover opening with new decking on a building; removed and replaced shingles and metal trim on a building; and installed a new roof drain on the north east corner of the upper roof.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total credit amount of \$11,919.00.

Project Initiation Date: August 20, 2009

Design Professional: PryorMorrow PC

General Contractor: Norman Enterprises, Inc. DBA Norman Roofing

Phased Project Budget: \$1,300,000.00

Total Project Budget: \$5,000,000.00

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16. **MUW- GS #104-188 – CULINARY ARTS**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Change Order #4

Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$29,802.75 and twenty (20) additional days to the contract of West Brothers Construction, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #4 includes the following: a bronze building plaque was added; added an exhaust fan in janitor's room; replaced two (2) boxes of ceiling tiles that were damaged; added hardware with access controls and motorized operators;

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added exhaust fan control relays; added fire extinguishers and cabinets/brackets; and twenty (20) weather related days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to changes in requirements or recommendations by governmental agencies; errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; and weather days as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Four (4) change orders for a total amount of \$242,109.75.

Project Initiation Date: June 18, 2015

Design Professional: JBHM Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: West Brothers Construction LLC

Total Project Budget: \$19,555,613.00

17. **MUW- IHL 204-135 – RESIDENCE HALL HAVAC IMPROVEMENTS**

Approval Request #1 (INTERIM): In accordance with Board Policy §904 (B) Board Approval, *Interim Chair Approval* was granted by Mr. Chip Morgan, Chair of the Real Estate and Facilities Committee on April 18, 2023 to approve the budget increase from \$1,366,830.00 to \$1,566,830.00 for an increase of \$200,000.00 for the Residence Hall HVAC Improvements project.

Interim Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 9, 2023

Approval Request #2: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$187,387.00 and forty-five (45) additional days to the contract of Air Control Engineering, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 10, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: repaired a leaking pipe below the slab including protection finishes; removal of concrete; excavation and fill; replacement of concrete; and forty-five (45) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$187,287.00.

Project Initiation Date: November 22, 2022

Design Professional: Dewberry/Edmonds Engineers, Inc.

General Contractor: Air control Engineering, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,566,830.00

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18. **MVSU- GS #106-265B – CAMPUS ROOFING PHASE II**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,243,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Norman Enterprises, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

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Design Professional: Shafer Zahner Zahner
General Contractor: Norman Enterprises, Inc.
Total Project Budget: \$1,452,961.25

19. MVSU – GS 106-269 – JACOB AARON STUDENT UNION EXPANSION AND RENOVATION

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Rebid

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 14, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 18, 2021

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$25,755,000.00

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20. UM- IHL #207-416 – NEW SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTANCY

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by JH&H Architects, P.A.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 17, 2016

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

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$7,100,000.00

21. UM- IHL #207-440 – NEW BAND PRACTICE FIELD

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$164,766.40 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of Roberts Builders, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: added a retaining wall in the southwest corner of the project; modifications made to the entry plaza; adjusted the parking; raised the perimeter walls; adjusted fencing and handrails; reduced stone seat wall caps; installed synthetic turf in lieu of natural grass; replaced the existing building canopy to match the proposed one; and removed the requirement for additional chain-link fencing not necessary.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; and user/owner requested modifications.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$164,766.40.

Project Initiation Date: November 16, 2017

Design Professional: Holcombe Norton Partners, LLC

General Contractor: Roberts Builders, Inc.

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Total Project Budget: \$5,440,000.00

22. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG. B**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,932,000.00 to the apparent low bidder DC Services, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: DC Services, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$2,573,671.48

Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

23. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG. C**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$234,600.00 to the apparent low bidder DC Services, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: DC Services, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$311,122.20

Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

24. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG. D**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,227,600.00 to the apparent low bidder Sports Contractors Unlimited, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Sports Contractors Unlimited, LLC

Phased Project Budget: \$1,621,198.90

Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

25. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG E**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$125,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Acoustics & Specialties, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

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Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.
General Contractor: Acoustics & Specialties, LLC
Phased Project Budget: \$166,526.10
Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

26. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG F**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$59,100.00 to the apparent low bidder Upchurch Plumbing, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Upchurch Plumbing, Inc.

Phased Project Budget: \$79,583.33

Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

27. **UM- IHL #207-473.2 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (PH 2) FIELD PKG G**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$1,495,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Advance Electric Company, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Advance Electric Company, Inc.

Phased Project Budget: \$1,973,982.73

Total Project Budget: \$25,000,000.00

28. **UM- IHL #207-473.3 – OLE MISS SOFTBALL COMPLEX ADDITION & RENOVATION (MISC.) AND IHL #207-473.4 (STADIUM)**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Approval Request #2: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by McCarty Architects, P.A. (Phase 3 only)

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

Construction Management Advisor: Innovative Construction Management, LLC [CMA]

Phased Project Budget: \$9,623,650.00

Total Project Budget: \$32,000,000.00

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

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Project Initiation Date: January 6, 2023

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$26,953,729.36

Total Project Budget: \$31,400,000.00

30. **UM- IHL #207-498.1 NW MECHANICAL PLANT PHASE III (ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT PACKAGE)**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Approval Request #2: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy Architects.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 6, 2023

Project Initiation Date: January 6, 2023

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy Architects

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$2,347,742.69

Total Project Budget: \$31,400,000.00

31. **UM- IHL #407-001 – JIM & THOMAS DUFF CENTER FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #5

Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$170,012.02 and zero (0) additional days to the contract of W.G. Yates & Sons Construction Company.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 26, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #5 includes the following: added additional steel supports; additional fencing installed north of the Walk of Champions; added cutouts at the firestopping beam; added steel plates in two rooms; west utility relocation; and added projection screens.

Change Order Justification: These changes were due to 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 \$36,795.95.

Project Initiation Date: January 16, 2012

Design Professional: McCarty Architects

General Contractor: W.G. Yates & Sons Construction Company

Phased Project Budget: 157,086,816.63

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Total Project Budget: \$175,200,000.00

32. **UM- IHL #407-002 – DATA CENTER FACILITY RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$30,000,000.00 to the apparent low bidder Codaray Construction, LLC

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 28, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 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

33. **UM- IHL #407-003 PHASE II UPGRADE HVAC CONTROLS-NATURAL PRODUCTS & FASER HALL**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by DBES, LLC.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 16, 2023

Project Initiation Date: February 17, 2022

Design Professional: DBES, LLC

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$5,330,000.00

34. **UM- IHL #407-009 BREVARD HALL 2ND FLOOR LABS**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 6, 2023

Approval Request #2: Contract Documents

Board staff approved Contract Documents as submitted by McCarty Architects, P.A.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, JULY 5, 2023

Approval Request #3: Advertise

Board staff approved request to advertise for receipt of bids.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, JULY 5, 2023

Project Initiation Date: February 17, 2022

Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,943,296.00

35. **UM- IHL #407-010 – FASER HALL 453 LAB RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Award of Construction Contract

Board staff approved the Award of Contract in the amount of \$747,778.00 to the apparent low bidder Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 14, 2023

Project Initiation Date: March 16, 2023

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Design Professional: McCarty Architects, P.A.

General Contractor: Barnes & Brower, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,000,000.00

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36. **UMMC- IHL #209-557 – PES RENOVATIONS**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Canizaro Cawthon Davis

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 20, 2023

Project Initiation Date: June 16, 2017

Design Professional: Canizaro Cawthon Davis

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$4,000,000.00

37. **UMMC- IHL #209-578 – GROSS ANATOMY PHASE III**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #1

Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$8,988.88 and ninety-six (96) additional days to the contract of Sunbelt General Contractors, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 10, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #1 includes the following: remove and reroute utilities in the new locker room; connect the vacuum and air to the new surgery lights; revised the boom support framing plan; and ninety-six (96) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: These changes were necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; latent job site conditions; user/owner requested modifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: One (1) change order for a total amount of \$8,988.88

Project Initiation Date: December 9, 2021

Design Professional: Dean and Dean Architecture

General Contractor: Sunbelt General Contractors, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,700,000.00

38. **UMMC- IHL #209-579B (BLDG) COLONY PARK**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Cooke Douglas Farr Lemons, Architects & Engineers

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 10, 2023

Project Initiation Date: June 16, 2022

Design Professional: Cooke Douglas Farr Lemons Architects & Engineers

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$105,910,527.00

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39. **UMMC- IHL #209-580 – RENOVATION FOR ADOLESCENT PSYCH**

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 20, 2023

Project Initiation Date: June 16, 2017

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

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$6,500,000.00

40. **UMMC- IHL #209-583 – NEUROSURGERY OFFICE RENOVATION**

Approval Request #1: Change Order #2

Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$3,494.00 and five (5) additional days to the contract of Fountain Construction Company, Inc.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 10, 2023

Change Order Description: Change Order #2 includes the following: reconciliation of project allowances; and five (5) days to the contract.

Change Order Justification: This change was necessary due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications; and days for work as indicated herein.

Total Project Change Orders and Amount: Two (2) change orders for a total amount of \$45,780.00

Project Initiation Date: October 16, 2022

Design Professional: JBHM Architecture

General Contractor: Fountain Construction company, Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$1,550,000.00

41. **UMMC- IHL #409-005.1-- – NEW SCHOOL OF NURSING (DEMOLITION AND SITE PKG)**

Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 20, 2023

Approval Request #2: Construction Documents

Board staff approved the Construction Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 20, 2023

Approval Request #3: Advertise/Receive Bids

Board staff approved the request to Advertise/Receive Bids

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, June 20, 2023

Project Initiation Date: October 2, 2021

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy

General Contractor: TBD

Phased Project Budget: \$758,185.00

Total Project Budget: \$65,000,000.00

42. **UMMC- IHL #409-005 – NEW SCHOOL OF NURSING**

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Approval Request #1: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as submitted by Eley Guild Hardy.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 10, 2023

Project Initiation Date: October 2, 2021

Design Professional: Eley Guild Hardy

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$65,000,000.00

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTER

43. **ERC-GS #111-071 - RE-ROOF OF EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTER**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

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

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 3, 2023

Approval Request #2: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Shafer Zahner Zahner

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 3, 2023

Project Initiation Date: June 15, 2023

Design Professional: Shafer Zahner Zahner

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,800,000.00

44. **ERC-GS #111-070 - MECHANICAL UPGRADES**

NOTE: This is a Bureau of Building project

Approval Request #1: Schematic Design Documents

Board staff approved the Schematic Design Documents as submitted by Engineering Resource Group.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 3, 2023

Approval Request #2: Design Development Documents

Board staff approved the Waiver of Design Development Documents as submitted by Engineering Resource Group.

Approval Status & Date: APPROVED, July 3, 2023

Project Initiation Date: June 15, 2023

Design Professional: Engineering Resource Group

General Contractor: TBD

Total Project Budget: \$2,800,000.00

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1. SYSTEM - REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL

Legal fees approved for payment to outside counsel in relation to litigation and other matters:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 12/1/22, 2/1/23 and 2/1/23) from the funds of Alcorn State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$240.00, \$6,000.00 and \$2,250.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 8,490.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Armstrong Law, LLC (statements dated 6/13/23 and 7/13/23) from the funds of Alcorn State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,000.00 and \$2,000.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,000.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 4/3/23, 4/3/23, 4/11/23, 6/1/23 and 6/1/23) from the funds of Jackson State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$5,000.00, \$2,500.00, \$1,925.00, \$545.00 and \$65.75, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 10,035.75

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini, PLLC (statements dated 6/8/23 and 6/9/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$75.00 and \$3,368.75, respectively, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,443.75

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush PA (statements dated 6/12/23 and 6/12/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,611.50 and \$115.00, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,726.50

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 7/1/23 and 7/1/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$2,500.00, \$2,500.00, \$2,500.00, \$2,500.00 and \$2,500.00, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 12,500.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini (statement dated 6/9/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$675.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 675.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 6/27/23 and 7/25/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$590.00 and \$1,504.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,094.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Lightfoot Franklin White, LLC (statements dated 6/13/23 and 7/19/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$3,546.50 and \$4,723.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 8,269.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette, PLLC (statements dated 6/12/23 and 7/10/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$250.00 and \$1,825.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,075.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough, LLP (statement dated 6/20/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$5,602.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,602.00

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 5/1/23, 5/1/23, 5/1/23, 5/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 7/1/23 and 7/1/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$58.47, \$100.00, \$2,500.00, \$2,500.00, \$61.09, \$535.00, \$7.10, \$1,000.00, \$537.00 and \$56.47, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,355.13

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 3/23/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23, 4/7/23 and 4/7/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$8,162.35, \$94.50, \$229.50, \$162.00, \$135.00, \$1,652.80, \$8,851.40, \$414.00, \$3,275.70, \$693.60, \$379.50, \$800.00, \$33.00, \$1,060.00, \$5,985.74, \$2,950.00, \$57.00, \$500.00, \$698.75, \$115.50, \$360.00, \$85.50, \$90.00, \$432.00, \$502.00, \$108.00, \$94.50, \$678.50, \$6,303.00, \$5,015.00 and \$698.75, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 50,617.59

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Foreman Watkins & Krutz, LLP (statement dated 4/7/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement, in the amount of \$5,174.50, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,174.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette, PLLC (statements dated 3/7/23, 3/7/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23 and 4/6/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,865.00, \$1,047.50, \$5,634.00, \$1,960.00 and \$1,002.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 11,508.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins & Eager, PLLC (statements dated 7/15/22, 3/24/23, 3/24/23, 3/24/23, 3/24/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/27/23, 3/31/23, 4/3/23, 4/3/23, 4/3/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/5/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23, 4/6/23 and 4/6/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$663.00, \$445.50, \$3,060.82, \$282.00, \$5,144.10, \$1,775.00, \$1,722.50, \$922.00, \$17,682.62, \$29,689.17, \$38.52, \$106.00, \$375.00, \$3,577.50, \$106.00, \$715.50, \$323.50, \$280.50, \$2,244.28, \$1,138.50, \$57.00, \$1,072.50, \$119.00,

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\$132.00, \$20,339.71, \$4,575.54, \$1,590.00, \$106.00, \$742.00, \$1,245.50, \$344.50, \$556.50, \$848.00, \$2,146.50, \$2,014.00, \$291.50 and \$1,113.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 107,585.26

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statement dated 6/27/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$3,932.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,932.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo Mallette, PLLC (statements dated 6/9/23 and 7/10/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$4,501.00 and \$5,609.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 10,110.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by McDonald Hopkins LLC (statements dated 6/26/23 and 7/14/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$937.50 and \$1,018.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,955.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Oldmixon & Smith (statement dated 7/18/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$3,696.45, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,696.45

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Scott J. Schwartz, P.A. (statement dated 7/20/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$2,759.25, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,759.25

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/1/23, 6/7/23, 7/1/23, 7/1/23, 7/1/23, 7/1/23, 7/1/23, 7/1/23 and 7/1/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$539.00, \$100.88, \$100.00, \$2,500.00, \$2,500.00, \$2,250.00, \$200.00, \$200.00, \$60.22, \$68.82, \$66.42, \$100.00 and \$2,250.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 10,935.34

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Zachary & Leggett, PLLC (statements dated 5/31/23 and 6/30/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$3,651.00 and \$1,913.18, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,564.18

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Conley Rose (statements dated 6/6/23, 6/6/23, 6/6/23 and 6/6/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Face Filtration Mount for Automated Filter Tester” - \$441.00; “System for Delivery of Biologics” - \$7.24; “Accessories for Raman and Luminescence Spectral Acquisitions” - \$7.24 and “System to Control an Actuator” - \$7.24.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 462.72

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy (statements dates 6/19/23, 6/19/23, 6/19/23, 6/19/23 and 6/19/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Vaccine Composition Comprising Recombinant Protein of Staphylococcus Aureus Attenuated Enterotoxin and Cytotoxin” - \$125.00; “Species-agnostic Polymeric Formulations for Inhalable mRNA Delivery to the Lung” - \$237.00; “Earth Abundant Emitters for Organic Light Emitting Diodes” - \$6,637.00; “Drugs Conjugated with Hexose Phosphate and Methods of Making and Using Same” - \$518.00; and “Drugs Conjugated with Hexose Phosphate and Methods of Making and Using Same” - \$2,075.27.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 9,592.27

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 12/15/22, 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 4/28/23 and 5/22/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the

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following patents or intellectual property matters: “Phenylphosphine Oxide Epoxy Polymer and Atomic Oxygen Stable Epoxy Polymer” - \$258.00; “Gulf Blue Trademark” - \$236.00; “Transition of Patent Files” - \$621.00; “Chevron Oronite Patent Maintenance” - \$175.50; “Phenylphosphine Oxide Epoxy Polymer and Atomic Oxygen Stable Epoxy Polymer” - \$324.50; “Methodology and Instrumentation for Thin Film Mechanical Analysis” - \$202.50; and “Lockhead – Oil Dispersant Patent” - \$67.50, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,885.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Workman Nydegger (statements dated 2/17/23, 2/17/23, 2/17/23, 3/28/23 and 3/28/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$4,902.33, \$950.00, \$950.00, \$150.00 and \$6,947.57, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with intellectual property patents.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 13,899.90

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statement dated 6/27/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the following patent or intellectual property matter: “Oral Suction Device” - \$1,938.50).

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,938.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy PC (statements dated 6/19/23, 6/19/23, 6/19/23 and 6/19/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Open-Shell Conjugated Polymer Conductors, Composites and Compositions” - \$187.50; “Carbon Susceptors for Thermoplastic Composite Induction Welding” - \$493.75; “A quantitative, fluorescence-based assay for measuring the exocytosis/release of full length, membrane bound tumor necrosis factor (TNF or TNFa) and exosomes from eukaryotic cells” - \$197.50; and “Vaccine Platforms with a Modified 5 Untranslated Region of Zika Virus Genome for Infectious Agents and Cancers” - \$385.00).

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,263.75

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
August 29, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Jackson State University Board Search Committee met via Zoom held at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi at 4:30 p.m. on August 29, 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, Mr. Gee Ogletree, and Mr. Hal Parker. Mr. Tom Duff, Ms. Teresa Hubbard, Mr. Gregg Rader, and Dr. J. Walt Starr also participated. 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 a personnel matter at Jackson State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Ogletree, seconded by Trustee Cummings, 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 Ogletree, 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 at Jackson State University consisting of discussions of which specific candidates to interview concerning the search for the next president of Jackson State University.

During Executive Session, the following matter was discussed:

The Committee discussed a personnel matter at Jackson State University consisting of discussions of which specific candidates to interview concerning the search for the next president of Jackson State University.

On motion by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Martin, with Trustee Cummings 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 Board, on motion by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Ogletree, with Trustee Cummings absent and not voting, all Committee members legally present and participating voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

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FINANCE
September 21, 2023

1. JSU – REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EAB GLOBAL, INC.

Agenda Item Request: Jackson State University requests approval to enter into a master services agreement with **EAB Global, Inc. (EAB)** for its student success software - Navigate. Also, in accordance with IHL Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services, JSU requests the Board’s approval to make payments in advance in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

Contractor’s Legal Name: EAB Global, Inc.

History of Contract: This is a new four (4) year Master Services Agreement.

Specific Type of Contract: This is a new Master Services Agreement for software.

Purpose: The purpose of this contract is to use EAB’s Navigate Student Success software to unite administrators, faculty, staff, and students in a collaborative network to measurably improve outcomes across the entire student journey.

Scope of Work: EAB’s Navigate Student Success software will provide the following services and access to data tools and workflow solutions, including, but not limited to:

- 1) Student Empowerment Tools - Empower students to take charge of their own success

Navigate's student interface helps you connect with students on their terms, building belonging and a deeper sense of purpose at your institution. The Navigate mobile app provides structure for the college journey and proactive guidance at students' pivotal moments. Navigate also enables virtual student onboarding, peer support communities, and more.

- 2) Integrated Analytics - Investigate, inform, and improve your strategy.

Navigate's student success analytics and predictive modeling help you understand which interventions are working and how to best adjust your strategy. Standardized reports offer insight into ongoing advising activities and staff dashboards continuously monitor student progress to identify opportunities for better student support.

- 3) Unite staff to deliver proactive, holistic support to students

Navigate's workflow solutions help academic advisors, faculty, and other staff scale interventions, streamline day-to-day work and create a truly coordinated network for student success. With 360-degree student profiles, multimodal student communications, and in-app appointment scheduling, your higher ed institution can deliver truly effective support.

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- 4) Efficiently reach and engage prospective students and applicants through campaigns, analytics, and list management.
- 5) Actionable Student Data - See personal information, academic performance, app activity, credit trends, and more-all in one place.
- 6) Appointment Scheduling and Communication - Email, text, and call individual students or groups from within the app to schedule and manage appointments.
- 7) Campaign Management - Segment data by a range of criteria to generate and deliver custom campaigns for effective outreach to students.

Term of Contract: Start Date: 10/1/2023 End Date: 9/30/2027. The contract may be extended for 3 additional 1-year terms for a total term of 4-7 years if all renewals are exercised.

Contract Amount: The total contract cost is \$637,728.00. It is estimated the annual costs for each program term will be as follows:

<u>Program Term</u>	<u>Annual Fee</u>
October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024	\$ 148,500.00
October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025	\$ 155,550.00
October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026	\$ 162,953.00
October 1, 2026 - September 30, 2027	\$ 170,725.00

Payment will be issued in advance in accordance with the terms of the agreement. This contract cost includes all optional renewal periods.

Funding Source for Contract: The agreement will be funded with Title III Funds

Termination Options: This agreement may be terminated for the following reasons:

- Termination for Convenience with ninety (90) days' written notice;
- Termination for Default or Breach of Contract with sixty (60) days written notice, if breach is not cured within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice;
- With written notice of bankruptcy filing and no dismissal of filed action within sixty (60) days of filing;
- Failure of Legislature Appropriation;
- Force Majeure;
- Conflict of Interest.

Contractor Selection Process: A Request for Proposals #23-13 was issued on February 15, 2023. Seven (7) proposals were received and were evaluated using the following criteria: Solution Design, End User Functionality & Schedule for Optimization – 25 points, Customer Service & Technical Support – 8 points, Technical Capabilities & Requirements – 25 points, Cost – 42 points.

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It was determined that EAB Global, Inc. was the best overall proposal because the evaluators felt the technical needs of JSU are best fulfilled by their proposal. Additionally, EAB's management structure was superior. Therefore, EAB Global, Inc. was selected for the four-year contract.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds the same to be acceptable. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

2. USM – REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS SERVICE (CAS)

Agenda Item: The University of Southern Mississippi requests retroactive approval to enter into a license agreement to subscribe to an electronic information database from **Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS)**. These research-oriented journals and information resources are used by USM faculty, staff, and students for educational and research purposes. Additionally, in accordance with IHL Board Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services, USM requests the Board's approval to make payment in advance in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

Contractor's Legal Name: Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS), a division of American Chemical Society (ACS)

History of Contract: USM first entered into a license agreement with CAS as early as 2013 and has entered into subsequent agreements with CAS for access to various journal publications since then. This contract adjusts the list of publications included in the subscription and updates the pricing for September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2026.

Specific Type of Contract: This is a subscription license agreement.

Purpose: The purpose of the agreement is to license access to SciFinder™, an extensive database for chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, materials science, nanotechnology, physics, environmental science, and other science and engineering disciplines. This database is used for instructional and research purposes and is required for the USM chemistry program's accreditation.

Scope of Work: CAS will provide all USM faculty, staff, and students with access to its database of journal articles, abstracts, patents, books, and other sources of information. During the license term, patrons will have access to current electronic files and retrospective content.

Term of Contract: The term of this contract will be three (3) years. Start date: September 1, 2023. End date: August 31, 2026.

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Termination Options: If either party breaches this contract, the other Party may send written notice of the breach, including a reasonable cure period of not less than five (5) business days, and if the breach is not cured, or if the Parties do not reach a satisfactory agreement on extending the cure period, then the non-breaching Party may terminate the License effective immediately upon written notice. Also, this agreement may be terminated by USM, with or without cause, at any time upon thirty (30) days' written notice to CAS; however, USM will not be entitled to a prorated refund under a termination for convenience.

Contract Amount: \$396,380.00

Funding Source for Contract: This contract will be funded by general funds.

Contractor Selection Process: This comprehensive database for chemical and scientific literature is only offered by CAS. It is not available through other sources.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Legal Staff has reviewed the proposed agreement for compliance with applicable law and finds the same to be acceptable. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

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SEPTEMBER 21, 2023**

1. **JSU – APPROVAL TO AMEND AGREEMENT WITH WORTH THOMAS d/b/a W. T. CONSULTANTS, LLC AS IN-STATE LOBBYING CONSULTANT**

Jackson State University requests approval to amend its consulting agreement with Worth Thomas d/b/a W.T. Consultants, LLC, to provide a full scope of legislative liaison services within the State of Mississippi. The parties wish to amend the payment and reporting provisions in paragraphs 4. and 8. of the agreement and other minor typographical edits. The amended language relates to the timing of required reports from the lobbyist, the required content of those reports, and that payment to the lobbyist is conditioned upon providing the required reports and upon providing them on time. All other terms of the agreement remain unchanged with the term of the agreement being one year from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and a contract amount of \$90,000 to be paid in quarterly installments of \$22,500 each. This fee will be paid with self-generated funds of the JSU Development Foundation allocated for JSU Program Support. The Attorney General’s Office has reviewed the agreement and found same to be compliant with applicable law and Board policy.

Client List:

City of Columbus, MS
GovEase
Altria Client Services, LLC
AT&T Services Inc.
Baptist Memorial Health Care Corp.
Hinds County Board of Supervisors
Jackson Redevelopment Authority
Jackson State University Development Foundation
Mississippi Association of Educators
Mississippi Power Company
Oak View Group LLC
Rehabilitation Centers, LLC d/b/a Millcreek
The Piney Woods School
Vertex Pharmaceuticals

AMENDED GOVERNMENT RELATION SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Amended Agreement (“Agreement”) entered into by and between Worth Thomas d/b/a W.T. Consultants, LLC (“WTC”), located at 188 East Capital Street, Suite 1360, Jackson, MS 39205 and Jackson State University, a Mississippi Institution of Higher Learning (“JSU”), and Jackson State University Development Foundation (“JSUDF”), located at 1400 J.R. Lynch Street, Jackson, MS 39217.

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1. **SCOPE OF SERVICES:** WTC agrees to provide consulting services with respect to state agencies and officials within the State of Mississippi to include (without limitation) direct communication with legislators or other officials concerning relevant legislation, as part of JSU exploring the best possible avenues for implementation of its legislative and economic development agenda. Consultant will coordinate all services and activities with the President of Jackson State University, and/or any representative designated by the President. WTC agrees to comply with all laws, registration or any other requirements of any governing body overseeing such Services as performed in this Agreement, including but not limited to, the compliance requirements of the Lobbying Law Reform Act of 1994 as well as Mississippi Code § 37-10115(d), as well as any by-laws of the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, Board of Trustees. WTC agrees to adhere to the requirements of the Mississippi State Institutions of Higher Learning bylaws, including IHL Board Policy 201.0506(3), as amended and as may be hereafter revised. Specifically, WTC agrees to apprise the IHL Board, through the Commissioner, of all new clients after engaging the client or clients. Under Policy 201.0506(3), WTC shall also apprise the Commissioner regarding lobbying activities related to IHL or any individual IHL institution and shall coordinate those activities within system strategies and processes prescribed by the Board.
2. **REQUIRED FILINGS:** WTC shall register as a lobbyist, and file required periodic reports, for JSU with the Secretary of State of Mississippi relating to lobbying laws in Mississippi. WTC will also advise and assist JSU, at its request, in fulfilling all JSU-related reporting as required under State Lobbying laws.
3. **TERM OF AGREEMENT:** The Term of this Agreement shall commence on the date of execution of this Agreement and shall continue in full force to June 30, 2024, unless otherwise terminated as provided herein. This Agreement may be renewed for an additional period(s) upon written mutual agreement of both parties.
4. **PAYMENT:** Compensation for Services performed under this Agreement for the Term shall be \$90,000, payable in quarterly installments, as follows:

October 30, 2023	\$22,500.00
December 31, 2023	\$22,500.00
March 31, 2024	\$22,500.00
June 30, 2024	\$22,500.00

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The above amounts shall be paid by JSUDF based on written invoices submitted to JSUDF, with a copy submitted to JSU at the same time. Provided that WTC has performed the services stipulated in this Agreement and delivered the reports noted in Section 8 below, JSUDF shall pay each invoice within 15 calendar days after receipt.

5. **EXPENSES:** WTC will be reimbursed for approved reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in performance of services under this Agreement up to a maximum of \$2,500.00 by JSUDF via JSUDF's JSU Program Support funds. Invoices for expenses reimbursable hereunder shall be rendered monthly in arrears and shall be due within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice to JSUDF. WTC agrees to provide reasonable documentation in support of any reimbursement requests.
6. **ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** All terms and conditions that Jackson State University is required to follow by law, relevant Federal Management Circulars, the Code of Federal Regulations, JSU policy, and governing board bylaws must be adhered to by WTC.
7. **TERMINATION:** Any party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Upon termination, any payment earned and unpaid to WTC shall be paid in full within forty-five (45) days of JSUDF's receipt of such invoice. Services performed through a portion of a quarter shall be prorated in accordance with the date of termination.
8. **REPORTS:** Written reports shall be submitted to JSU and JSUDF on a continuous basis, including a report at the same time that WTC submits its invoice for payment as noted in Section 4 above, with a Final Report to be submitted no later than ten (10) days after the Term of this Agreement ends (i.e., on or before July 10, 2024), or after any additional Term(s) agreed to by the parties. The reports shall set out in a detailed manner (or in a summary fashion acceptable to JSU and JSUDF) the consulting/lobbying activities undertaken by WTC on behalf of JSU pursuant to this Agreement. The reports shall at a minimum include information as to the various legislators or other officials with whom WTC has interacted, requests made or specific funding or legislative areas pursued, and the results obtained for JSU as a result of WTC's efforts. It is understood and agreed that delivery of the reports as described in this section is a condition to JSUDF's obligation to pay the invoices submitted by WTC.

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9. CLIENT IDENTIFICATION: WTC represents that it has disclosed a list of its clients as of the date that his Agreement is executed, and WTC agrees to disclose the identity of all new clients which are acquired by WTC during the term of this Agreement (and any extensions thereof) to IHL and JSU. If IHL or JSU determines that a conflict of interest exists in regard to clients of WTC, then JSU may elect to terminate this Agreement by written notification.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY: WTC and University mutually agree that during the course of this Agreement the other party may be exposed to Confidential Information ("Confidential Information"). WTC and University will hold in trust and confidence all Confidential Information received from the other party, will use such Confidential Information only in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, will not use such Confidential Information for its own benefit or to the other's detriment, and will safeguard Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure using the same degree of care as it takes to preserve its own confidential information, but in any event no less than a reasonable degree of care. The Parties further agree not to disclose any information obtained during the performance of this Agreement which release would be a violation of the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. This provision shall survive termination or expiration of the Agreement for two (2) years.

11. HOLD HARMLESS: To the extent permitted by Mississippi law, WTC shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify the University and the Board of Trustees of IHL from any and all claims, actions, suits, charges and judgments whatsoever that arise out of WTC's performance or nonperformance of the services or subject matter called for in this Contract.

12. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE: WTC shall provide proof of professional liability insurance, malpractice and/or errors and omissions insurance coverage during the term of this agreement and attach same as Exhibit " A" hereto.

13. MISSISSIPPI AGENCY PROVISIONS: The Parties recognize and agree that Jackson State University is a Mississippi Institution of Higher Learning and it is governed and controlled by the laws of the State of Mississippi, including Opinions of the Mississippi Attorney General.
 - a. Mississippi Law. This Agreement shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Mississippi.

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- b. Nondiscrimination. The parties agree to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations governing equal employment opportunity, immigration, everify, and nondiscrimination.
- c. Conflict of Interest. This Agreement is subject to Section 25-4-101 of the Mississippi Code Annotated, as amended. This Agreement may be cancelled if any person significantly involved in the initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating of the Agreement on behalf of the University is an employee, consultant, or agent of any other party to this agreement. Should this Agreement violate a Mississippi Conflict of Interest law, the Agreement may be declared void.
- d. Records. The parties shall retain all records directly relating to this Agreement during the Agreement's term and for a minimum of an additional three (3) years. Further, such records will be available at reasonable times for inspection and audit by University or the State of Mississippi during the term of this agreement and for three (3) years thereafter. A copy of the records shall be provided at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi, upon request.
- e. E-Verify. WTC represents and warrants that it will ensure its compliance with the Mississippi Employment Protection Act, Section 71-11-1, et seq. of the Mississippi Code Annotated (Supp. 2008) and will register and participate in the status verification system for all newly hired employees. The term "employee" as used herein means any person that is hired to perform work within the State of Mississippi. As used herein, "status verification system" means the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 that is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, also known as the E-Verify Program, or any other successor electronic verification system replacing the E-Verify Program. WTC agrees to maintain records of such compliance and, upon request of the State and approval of the Social Security Administration or Department of Homeland Security, where required, to provide a copy of each such verification to the State. WTC further represents and warrants that any person assigned to perform services hereunder meets the employment eligibility requirements of all immigration laws of the State of Mississippi. WTC understands and agrees that any breach of these warranties may subject WTC to the following: (a) termination of this Agreement and ineligibility for any state or public contract in Mississippi for up to three (3) years, with notice of such cancellation/termination being made public, or (b) the loss of any license, permit, certification or other document granted to WTC by an agency, department or governmental entity for the right to do business in

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Mississippi for up to one (1) year, or (c) both. In the event of such termination/cancellation, WTC would also be liable for any additional costs incurred by the State due to contract cancellation or loss of license or permit.

- f. Failure of Legislature to appropriate. If University's performance under this agreement depends upon the appropriation of funds by the Mississippi Legislature, and if the Legislature fails to appropriate or reduces the funds necessary for performance, then the University may provide written notice of such non-appropriation or reduction and cancel this Agreement without further obligation of the University.

14. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (including by email or fax), each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and shall have the same force and effect as an original but such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

15. RELATIONSHIP. The parties understand that WTC is an independent contractor with respect to JSU and not an employee of JSU. This Agreement is neither intended to nor will it be construed as, creating any other relationship, including one of employment, joint venture, or agency.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This instrument constitutes the entire Agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter written

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board Staff recommends approval of this item.

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APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION REQUESTS

1. **Employment**

Alcorn State University

- Emanuel Barnes; *part-time, rehired retiree*; Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; salary \$70,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective August 1, 2023

Mississippi Valley State University

- Michael Switzer; Vice President for Facilities Management and Capital Projects; salary of \$115,000 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 12-month contract; effective August 14, 2023

2. **Sabbatical**

Jackson State University

- Yongfeng Zhao, Associate Professor of Chemistry; *from* salary \$63,127.83 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; *to* salary of \$31,563.92 for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 9, 2023 to May 6, 2024; professional development
- Bessie House-Soremekun, Professor of Political Sciences; *from* salary \$99,421.88 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective August 9, 2023 to December 31, 2023; professional development
- Lomarsh Roopnarine, Professor of History & Philosophy; *from* \$73,947.20 per annum, pro rata; E&G Funds; 9-month contract; no change in salary for sabbatical period; E&G Funds; effective January 1, 2024 to May 6, 2024; professional development

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1. **SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR FIRST READING OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY 201.0507 – CAMPUS LOCATIONS AND PROGRAMS, SUBSECTION C – ESTABLISHMENT OF OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED; ATTENDANCE**

Rationale: The current policy does not require Board approval for an institution with an approved on-campus institutional academic program offering the same program at an off-campus instructional site of that institution. Board oversight and approval is necessary to consider the need for the proposed academic programmatic duplication, holistic impacts, and unintended consequences, both positive and negative, which could extend to and beyond the institution seeking to expand its off-campus offerings. The proposed changes allow the Board to maintain consistent authority for ensuring programmatic decisions are “in the best interest of quality education for the State of Mississippi and the university system” as prescribed in MS Code § 37-102-1 and set forth in 201.0507 (C).

201.0507 CAMPUS LOCATIONS AND PROGRAMS

C. ESTABLISHMENT OF OFF- CAMPUS INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED;
ATTENDANCE

The Board may establish off- campus ~~instructional~~ degree-granting academic programs for universities if, in its opinion, such action is in the best interest of quality education for the State of Mississippi and the university system. ~~However, a~~ An existing Board- approved institutional degree-granting academic program may only be offered at any Board- approved off- campus instructional site for that institution after the institution first without obtains additional Board approval to offer the program at a specific institutional off- campus instructional site. Such approval shall only be sought after successful compliance with ~~Even so,~~ the requirements of 201.0507 E. below regarding “Off- Campus Conflicts” ~~shall still apply.~~

Attendance at an off- campus instructional site or through distance learning shall fulfill residency requirements.

Miss. Code Ann., §37- 102- 1, as amended.

(BT Minutes, 9/90; 1/98; 5/99; 11/2005; 12/2005; 3/2008; 3/2011; 11/2019)

2. **SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR FIRST READING OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY 501 – ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND UNITS**

Rationale: The proposed changes reflect a parallel approval process for proposed programs at both on and off-campus locations; and allows the Board to consistently exercise continuing jurisdiction and control over the establishment of new courses of study, new departments and new functions and activities in each institution so that the growth and development of the program of higher education in the state shall proceed in an orderly and rational manner, avoiding inefficient and needless duplication, and undertaking new expanded programs only as

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the applicable program is justified, based upon objective criteria to be established by the board's guidelines and procedures.

501 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND UNITS

All new curricula, departments, on-campus and off-campus degree-granting academic programs of study, ~~organized research or services~~ being proposed by any or all of the institutions must be submitted to the Board and must be approved by the Board before being initiated. This provision shall apply regardless of whether or not the curricula, department, degree-granting academic program of study are presently offered at an on-campus or an off-campus instructional site of an institution and being proposed to be offered at another instructional site of that same institution.

Miss. Code Ann., §37- 101- 13, as amended.

(BT Minutes, 9/90; 1/98; 3/2008)

3. SYSTEM – APPROVAL FOR FIRST READING OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY 502 – NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND UNITS

Rationale: The proposed changes reflect a parallel approval process for proposed programs at both on and off-campus locations; and allows the Board to consistently exercise continuing jurisdiction and control over the establishment of new courses of study, new departments and new functions and activities in each institution so that the growth and development of the program of higher education in the state shall proceed in an orderly and rational manner, avoiding inefficient and needless duplication, and undertaking new expanded programs only as the applicable program is justified, based upon objective criteria to be established by the board's guidelines and procedures.

502 NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND UNITS

Requests to establish new on-campus and off-campus degree-granting academic programs, colleges, schools, departments, institutes, and centers will be considered by the Board on a schedule and in accordance with guidelines and procedures to be determined by the Commissioner after consultation with the Institutional Executive Officers. In developing such guidelines and procedures, the Commissioner shall consider: potential harm to existing similar degree-granting academic programs, colleges, schools, departments, institutes, and centers at other state institutions; state, system, and institutional priorities; institutional missions; institutional performance; comparative funding; market demand; and other appropriate criteria.

(BT Minutes, 9/90; 3/98; 6/2000; 3/2008)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of these items for first reading.

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1. SYSTEM - REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL

Legal fees approved for payment to outside counsel in relation to litigation and other matters:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 12/11/20, 1/1/23, 1/1/23, 7/1/23, 8/1/23 and 8/1/23) from the funds of Alcorn State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$919.65, \$41.27, \$3,000.00, \$59.79, \$563.00 and \$41.75, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with an immigration/labor certification matter.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,625.46

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini, PLLC (statements dated 7/19/23 and 8/18/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,137.50 and \$6,287.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,425.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Copeland Cook Taylor & Bush (statements dated 8/16/23 and 8/16/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$483.00 and \$4,719.00, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,202.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 8/1/23 and 8/14/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$527.00 and \$549.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,076.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini (statement dated 8/14/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$525.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 525.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statement dated 8/22/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$1,088.00, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

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TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,088.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Lightfoot Franklin White LLC (statement dated 8/8/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$11,321.55, represents services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 11,321.55

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Nelson Mullins (statements dated 7/31/23 and 8/23/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,764.00 and \$1,378.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 3,142.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23 and 8/1/23) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$367.50, \$60.22, \$560.52, \$2,500.00, \$525.00 and \$541.00, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,554.24

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 7/26/23, 7/28/23 and 8/16/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,546.00, \$147.50 and \$3,242.50, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with general legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 4,936.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by McDonald Hopkins, LLC (statement dated 8/31/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$582.00, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 582.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Ware|Immigration (statements dated 7/26/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 8/1/23, 9/1/23, 9/1/23, 9/1/23, 9/1/23, 9/1/23 and 9/1/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$200.00, \$34.83, \$59.48, \$67.82, \$2,350.00, \$215.81, \$65.29, \$67.82, \$2,500.00, \$38.90, \$77.07, \$38.66, \$41.45, \$57.01 and \$35.74, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with immigration/labor certification matters.)

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TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,849.88

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Zachary & Leggett, PLLC (statement dated 8/1/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement, in the amount of \$529.80, represents services and expenses in connection with legal advice.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 529.80

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23 and 7/31/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “IP and Regulatory Matters” - \$619.50; “IP and Regulatory Matters” - \$4,543.00; “Recombinant Fimbrial Protein of Aeromonas Hydrophila as Vaccine in Catfish” - \$81.00; “Hemagglutinin Substitution Increases Thermostability and Improves Yields of H1N1 Influenza A Virus in Cells” - \$2,895.50; and “Hemagglutinin Substitution Increases Thermostability and Improves Yields of H1N1 Influenza A Virus in Cells” - \$418.50.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 8,557.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Conley Rose (statements dated 8/4/23 and 8/4/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Multimodal Cardiorespiratory” - \$1,120.00; and “Vision-Based Seismocardiography” - \$1,060.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 2,180.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy, P.C. (statements dated 7/7/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23, 8/8/23 and 8/21/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Engineering of the Production of a Conformational Variant of Occidiofungin that has Enhanced Inhibitory Activity Against Fungal Species” - \$355.50; “Engineering of the Production of a Conformational Variant of Occidiofungin that has Enhanced Inhibitory Activity Against Fungal Species” - \$624.10; “Drugs Conjugated with Hexose Phosphate and Methods of Making and Using Same” - \$3,285.00; “Drugs Conjugated with Hexose Phosphate and Methods of Making and Using Same” - \$908.50; “Drugs Conjugated with Hexose Phosphate and Methods of Making and Using Same” - \$185.99; “Vaccine Composition Comprising Recombinant Protein of Staphylococcus Aureus Attenuated Enterotoxin and Cytotoxin” - \$2,613.00; “US Provisional Application Nos.

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63/028,130, 96/175,642 and PCT/US21/32963” - \$1,420.22; “ Oleaginous Microbe Supplementation for Improving Black Soldier Fly Growth and Development” - \$7,307.50; and “Vaccine Composition Comprising Recombinant Protein of Staphylococcus Aureus Attenuated Enterotoxin and Cytotoxin” - \$300.00, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 16,999.81

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (statements dated 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 4/28/23, 8/28/23, 8/28/23, 8/28/23, 8/28/23, 8/28/23, 8/28/23 and 8/28/23) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Unsymmetrical CCC-HNC Pincer” - \$180.00; “Cottonseed Oil Polymer” - \$1,991.50; “Synthesis of Optically Active” - \$542.00; “Polymers and Co-Polymers” - \$218.50; “Unsymmetric CCC-HNC Pincer” - \$398.00; “Synthesis of Optically Active” - \$398.00; “Use of Liquid Smoke in Conjunction” - \$155.50; “Novel Catalysis and Process for Liquid Hydrocarbon Fuel Production” - \$146.00; “Novel Catalysis and Process” - \$110.00; “Coal Char-Production and Properties” - \$1,455.50; and “Polymers and Co-Polymers for Polymer Matrix Composites and High Yield Carbon-Carbon Composite Structures Therefrom” - \$1,496.00, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 7,091.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler|Snow (statements dated 7/17/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 7/31/23, 8/23/23, 8/23/23, 8/23/23 and 8/23/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “General Patent Matters” - \$6,000.00; “Covestro Patents” - \$8,067.50; “Chevron Oronite Patent Maintenance” - \$2,377.25; “Phenylphosphine Oxide Epoxy Polymer and Atomic Oxygen Stable Epoxy Polymer” - \$2,289.50; “Gulf Blue Trademark” - \$1,883.00; “Chevron Oronite Patent Maintenance” - \$140.00; “Lidar for Underwater” - \$135.00; “Methodology for Instrumentation for Thin Film Mechanical Analysis” - \$233.50; “Phenylphosphine Oxide Epoxy Polymer and Atomic Oxygen Stable Epoxy Polymer” - \$1,820.00; “Methodology and Instrumentation for Thin Film Mechanical Analysis” - \$177.00; “An Automated Mechanism for Position Aquaculture Equipment” - \$177.00; and “Lidar for Underwater” - \$59.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 23,358.75

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mendelsohn Dunleavy, P.C. (statements dates 7/7/23, 7/7/23, 8/15/23, 8/15/23, 8/15/23 and 8/15/23) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patents or intellectual property matters: “Carbon Susceptors for Thermoplastic Composite Induction Welding” - \$810.50; “Processing for Increasing Beta Phase in PVDF Blends” - \$316.00; “Organic Photodetection Devices Utilizing an Insulative Component Within the Active Layer Blend” - \$3,800.00; “Conjugated Polymer Sensors Using

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the Inner Filter Effect” - \$87.50; “Open-Shell Conjugated Polymer Conductors, Composites and Compositions” - \$377.50; and “General IP Matters” - \$315.00, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 5,706.50

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1. SYSTEM – COMMISSIONER’S NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL

The following items have been approved by the Commissioner on behalf of the Board and are available for review in the Board Office.

- a. **JSU** – 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 August 8, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the revisions for the FY 2023 *Ayers* academic programs after conducting a review of the same. It appears that these revisions are necessary to align 2023 budgets to individual program needs for the year. Per IHL *Ayers* administrative guidelines, the institutions are required to either report these revisions to the IHL Executive Office (i.e. self-approved revisions) or have certain proposed budgetary revisions pre-approved by the IHL Executive Office. The requested revisions do fit under the pre-approval by the IHL Executive Office policy section of the guidelines. The IHL Executive Office financial and academic staff have reviewed and approved these revisions which contain no increases in the total budgets but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
- b. **MSU** – On August 8, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr., approved the request to advertise and receive bids for the harvest of timber from Mississippi State University’s John W. Starr Memorial Forest, Oktibbeha County, MS and to award contracts to the highest bidder who satisfies all additional bid requirements. This sale will be a pay-as-cut, sealed bid for felled timber located on approximately 21 acres of land in the University’s John W. Starr Memorial Forest, Oktibbeha County, MS. This sale will be for the cutting and removal of trees felled during the 2023 Mid-South Forestry Equipment show. This sale will remove felled pine sawtimber trees in this stand ranging from 16-26 inches DBH. All felled timber must be removed by Saturday, September 30, 2023. The Office of the Attorney General has reviewed the timber sales request and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. In accordance with Board Policy 905 Real Estate Management and Policy 707.01, all timber sales that do not exceed \$500,000 may be approved by the Chair of the Real Estate Committee upon satisfactory legal review and recommendation by the Commissioner. Trustee Chip Morgan, Chair of the Real Estate Committee, approved the timber sales request noted above. A copy of the documents is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- c. **MSU** – In accordance with Board Policy 1107 Enactment of Traffic Rules and Regulations, “the Board hereby delegates to the Commissioner of Higher Education the power to approve and authorize the enactment of such university traffic rules and regulations, which shall include university parking and traffic fines and fees, on behalf of the Board.” On August 11, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved Mississippi State University’s OP 95.501 Traffic and Parking Rules and Regulations for Academic Year 2023-2024. The IHL

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Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed and approved the documents.

- d. **MSU** – On August 11, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the new Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and EDR College View, MS LLC to lease up to 6 apartment bedrooms to be used as housing for University students who have signed housing agreements with the University. The term of the lease is August 12, 2023 through July 31, 2024 and the annual contract cost will not exceed \$55,000. The University will be billed for each room that is occupied. Three rooms are available at \$710 per month, per room and 3 rooms are available at \$700 per month, per room. While the expected monthly total is \$4,230, this amount will be reduced if any of the rooms are not occupied. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- e. **MSU** – On August 28, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and O’Keefe Commercial for space on Lessor’s D’Iberville property in which to operate a Resource and Referral Center under a grant awarded to MSU by the Mississippi Department of Human Services. The initial term of the lease is two years beginning August 15, 2023 through August 14, 2025. Rent for the first year is \$42,120 to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments due on the first day of each month. Rent for the second year is \$30,840 to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments due on the first day of each calendar month. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- f. **MSU** – On August 28, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and Hinds Community College for the Vicksburg Campus Banks Classroom #3 in which to provide space for a Resource and Referral Center operated by the University in accordance with the terms of a grant awarded by the Mississippi Department of Human Services. The term of the lease is 12 months from September 1, 2023 through August 30, 2024, at a cost of \$2,500 per month payable on the first of each month. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- g. **MSU** – On August 28, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved Lease Amendment #14 between Mississippi State University and MSU Research & Technology Corporation for 3,192.45 square feet of Class A office space at the NASA Stennis Space Center. This modification extends the term of the current

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agreement by one year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024, and increases the monthly rental rate from \$21.05 per square foot or \$5,600.09 per month to \$21.16 per square foot or \$5,629.35 per month (\$67,552.24 annually). All other provisions of the original lease agreement with its previous Modifications #1 through #13 remain unchanged. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.

- h. **MSU** – On August 28, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi State University and MTB Properties for retail storefront space at 114 East Main Street, Starkville, MS, in which to operate the student-run Retail Product Accelerator. The initial term of the lease is 24 months at a cost of \$2,750 per month payable on the first of each month. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts and Policy 707.03 Approval of Prepayment for Goods or Services. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.
- i. **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 August 8, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the revisions for the FY 2023 *Ayers* academic programs after conducting a review of the same. It appears that these revisions are necessary to align 2023 budgets to individual program needs for the year. Per IHL *Ayers* administrative guidelines, the institutions are required to either report these revisions to the IHL Executive Office (i.e. self-approved revisions) or have certain proposed budgetary revisions pre-approved by the IHL Executive Office. The requested revisions do fit under the pre-approval by the IHL Executive Office policy section of the guidelines. The IHL Executive Office financial and academic staff have reviewed and approved these revisions which contain no increases in the total budgets but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.
- j. **MVSU** – On August 11, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the Lease Agreement between Mississippi Valley State University and Rashad Spurlock for space within the Jacob Aron Student Center in which to offer licensed beautician/barber services. The term of the lease is 9.5 months beginning August 15, 2023 and ending May 31, 2024. Rent is \$150 per month due on or before the first day of each month. The IHL Senior Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Risk Management has reviewed the agreement and found the same to be compliant with Board Policy 707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts. A copy of the document is on file in the IHL Board Office.

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- k. **USM** – 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 August 18, 2023, Commissioner Alfred Rankins, Jr. approved the revisions the On Campus (Hattiesburg) Budget, the Off Campus (Gulf Park) Budget, the Children’s Center for Communication and Development Budget, the Dubard School Budget, the Auxiliary Enterprises Budget, the Stennis Center for Higher Learning Budget, the Mississippi Polymer Institute Budget, and the Gulf Coast Research Lab Budget for Fiscal Year 2023. The IHL Executive Office financial have reviewed and approved these revisions. These budget revisions contain no increases in the total budgets but rather reallocations among individual expense categories. A copy of the documents is on file at the Board Office.