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AGENDA
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October 15-16, 2008

Wednesday, October 15, 2008
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

- A. Committee Meetings:**
- 1:30 p.m. – Real Estate & Facilities
 - 2:00 p.m. – Budget, Finance & Audit
 - 2:30 p.m. – Educational Policies & Programs
 - 3:30 p.m. – *Ayers* Investment Committee

Times are approximate but will adjourn by 5:00 p.m. Committees will begin following the conclusion of the preceding committee.

Thursday, October 16, 2008
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

- A. 8:30 a.m. – Call to Order**
- B. Prayer – Mr. Bob Owens**
- C. Approval of Minutes**
- ◆ September 10, 2008 MSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
 - ◆ September 10, 2008 MVSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
 - ◆ September 16-17, 2008 MSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
 - ◆ September 17-18, 2008 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
 - ◆ September 23-24, 2008 MVSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
 - ◆ September 24, 2008 MSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
 - ◆ September 24, 2008 Board of Trustees Emergency Meeting
 - ◆ September 27, 2008 Board of Trustees Emergency Meeting
 - ◆ October 8, 2008 MVSU Presidential Search Committee Meeting
- D. Consent Agenda – Ms. Amy Whitten**
- E. Presentation by Dr. Martha Saunders**
- F. Educational Policies & Programs – Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely**
- G. Budget, Finance & Audit – Mr. Aubrey Patterson**
- H. Real Estate & Facilities – Mr. Scott Ross**
- I. Governance/Legal – Mr. Bob Owens**
- J. Gulf Coast Special Committee Update – Ms. Robin Robinson**
- K. Additional Agenda Items if Necessary**
- L. Reconsideration**
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- O. Adjournment**

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**September 10, 2008
Mississippi State University
Presidential Search Committee Meeting**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 10:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this September 10, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Mr. Scott Ross (Chair), Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Ms. Robin Robinson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith. The following Mississippi State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Bill Kibler, Vice President for Student Affairs and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Susan Bridges, Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; Mr. Braxton Coombs, Student Body President; Dr. Linda Cornelious, Professor and Interim Head of Instructional Systems and Workforce Development; Mr. David Jones, Past President of the MSU Alumni Association; Dr. Melissa Moore, Associate Professor of Marketing; Ms. Joy Odom, MSU Staff Council President; and Dr. Lynne Richardson, Dean of the College of Business and Industry. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner of Higher Education; the search consultant, Mr. Jerry Baker of Baker and Associates, LLC in Atlanta, Georgia; and Board members Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Alan Perry, and Ms. Christy Pickering also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

During Executive Session, the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee received candidate recommendations from the Mississippi State University Search Advisory Committee for the position of President at Mississippi State University. By consensus, the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee agreed to hold first round interviews for five of the recommended candidates.

On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Patterson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Rouse, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

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**September 10, 2008
Mississippi Valley State University
Presidential Search Committee Meeting**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 8:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this September 10, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely (Chair), Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Bob Owens, and Mr. Alan Perry. Committee member Ms. Amy Whitten was absent. The following Mississippi Valley State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Moses Newsome, Jr., Vice President, Research, Planning, Community, and Economic Development and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Gwendolyn Catchings, Vice-President of the Faculty Senate and Assistant Professor of Business Administration; Mr. Edgar Bland, Director of Academic Computing Services; Ms. Brandy Brown, Student Government Association President; Ms. Carolyn Upkins, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Alumni Association; Dr. Walter Roberts, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Foundation; and Dr. Abigail Newsome, Director and Assistant Professor of Bioinformatics. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner of Higher Education; the search consultant, Ms. Jan Greenwood of Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. in Miramar, Florida; Ms. Marion Frenche, an associate with Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc.; and Board member Mr. Ed Blakeslee also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neely.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Perry, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi Valley State University.

During Executive Session, the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee received candidate recommendations from the Mississippi Valley State University Search Advisory Committee for the position of President at Mississippi State University. By consensus, the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee agreed to hold first round interviews for seven of the recommended candidates.

On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

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Presidential Search Committee Meeting**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 10:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this September 16, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Mr. Scott Ross (Chair), Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith. Committee member Ms. Robin Robinson was absent. The following Mississippi State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Bill Kibler, Vice President for Student Affairs and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Susan Bridges, Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; Mr. Braxton Coombs, Student Body President; Dr. Linda Cornelious, Professor and Interim Head of Instructional Systems and Workforce Development; Mr. David Jones, Past President of the MSU Alumni Association; Dr. Melissa Moore, Associate Professor of Marketing; Ms. Joy Odom, MSU Staff Council President; and Dr. Lynne Richardson, Dean of the College of Business and Industry. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner of Higher Education; the search consultant, Mr. Jerry Baker of Baker and Associates, LLC in Atlanta, Georgia; and Board members Mr. Alan Perry and Ms. Amy Whitten also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Ms. Robinson and Dr. Rouse absent and not voting, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, with Ms. Robinson and Dr. Rouse absent and not voting, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

During Executive Session, the Committee conducted first round interviews of the candidates for the position of President at Mississippi State University.

On motion by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

AT APPROXIMATELY 5:00 P.M. THE COMMITTEE RECESSED UNTIL THE NEXT MORNING.

THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 8:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008. There were present the following Committee members to wit: Mr. Scott Ross (Chair), Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Ms. Robin Robinson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith. The following Mississippi State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Bill Kibler, Dr. Susan Bridges, Mr. Braxton Coombs, Dr. Linda Cornelious, Mr. David Jones, Dr. Melissa Moore, Ms. Joy Odom, and Dr. Lynne Richardson. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Mr. Jerry Baker, and Board member Dr. Stacy Davidson also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Blakeslee.

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On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Ms. Robinson, with Mr. Ross absent and not voting, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Ms. Robinson, with Mr. Ross absent and not voting, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

During Executive Session, the Committee conducted first round interviews of the candidates for the position of President at Mississippi State University.

On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

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Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the 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 8:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on November 27, 2007, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this September 17-18 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christine Pickering, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Ms. Amy Whitten. Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson and Ms. Robin J. Robinson were absent. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Whitten, President, and opened with prayer by Mr. Blakeslee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Whitten introduced Representative David Norquist, Senator Sampson Jackson, II and Senator Gary Jackson and welcomed them to the meeting. She noted that they have all helped higher education tremendously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson, Ms. Pickering and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of the Board meeting held on August 20- 21, 2008, stand approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM #10 WAS MOVED TO THE REGULAR AGENDA. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Mr. Patterson, Ms. Pickering and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approved the following Consent Agenda excluding agenda item #10.

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

1. **System Administration (Information item.)** - Suspension of Academic Programs- Student enrollment into the following 6 academic programs has been suspended to assess future need or to allow currently enrolled students to graduate prior to deletion:
 - a. **ASU** - Master of Business Administration in Hospitality and Gaming Management (CIP 52.0999),
 - b. **DSU** - Education Specialist in Secondary Education (CIP 13.1205),
 - c. **JSU** - Bachelor of Science in Educational Technology (CIP 13.0501),
 - d. **MSU** - Bachelor of Science in Integrated Pest Management (CIP 01.1105),
 - e. **MUW** - Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts in Microbiology (CIP 26.0503), and
 - f. **UMMC** - Doctor of Philosophy in Preventative Medicine (CIP 60.0254).

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2. **System Administration (Information item.)** - The following are new limited scope centers and institutes.
- a. **DSU** has established the Teacher Leadership Institute for the Advancement of Diverse Practices in Education, which is a limited scope institute that will provide services and experiences for Mississippi teachers to build their capacity for leadership. Current scientific research provides compelling evidence that P-12 schools need to build strong leadership teams comprised of individuals who can serve as mentors, instructional and curriculum specialists, coaches, and resource persons. The initiatives of the Institute will build capacity for strong teacher leadership within P-12 schools across the state. The Institute will: 1) serve as an organizational hub and clearinghouse for resources and training opportunities, 2) host symposiums and professional development featuring nationally acclaimed experts, 3) coordinate and supervise a Summer Teacher Leadership Academy, 4) conduct research related to best practices in teacher leadership, and 5) provide year-round daily support for teacher leaders. There will be no new costs to the institution to fund the Institute.
 - b. **MSU** has established the Center of Family Enterprise Research, which is a limited scope center that provides educational and research opportunities for students and disseminates the results of research to family businesses in Mississippi to improve their management and performance. Seed funding from the Vice President for Research, College of Business, and Department of Management Information Systems will provide initial support for the center. Matching funds for the annual Theories of Family Enterprise Conference, which is co-sponsored by the center, will be available from its partner, the University of Alberta's Centre for Entrepreneurship and Family Enterprise. The center director and founding fellows will seek external funding through grants and contracts and obtain external endowment funding. The center will be funded with extramural grant funds and endowments, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
 - c. **MSU** has established the G. V. "Sonny" Montgomery National Center for Veterans Research, which is a limited scope center that will compile statistical data and analyses and serve as a resource to Congress and other constituencies for these data. There is a national need for an independent research center that can provide analyses and information on current and future veteran's issues and programs. Currently, there is no independent research center that can provide Congress or the Department of Veterans Affairs with the necessary ongoing data and analyses to support congressional oversight, authorization and appropriation, or assistance in program development, accountability, evaluation, and policy analysis. The Center for Veterans Research will help establish a research team for veteran research with the goals of seeking new extramural funding, communicating with government agencies and veterans groups, and providing direction for veteran research in the United States. The center is funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
 - d. **MSU** has established the Mississippi State University Energy Institute, which is a limited scope institute that: 1) coordinates energy research, 2) facilitates communication among researchers, centers, and working groups, 3) sets high expectations for external research funding, peer reviewed publications, and graduate education, 4) enhances the national reputation of faculty engaged in energy research, and 5) encourages the development of energy-based industries in Mississippi. The institute is comprised of the MSU Sustainable Energy Center; the Cooling, Heating, and Power research projects in the Departments of Mechanical Engineering and Agricultural and Biological Engineering; the Industrial Assessment Center in the Department

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- of Mechanical Engineering; and the Institute for Clean Energy Technology. The Energy Institute serves as the umbrella unit that coordinates existing research projects among the various centers, institutes, and departments that are involved in energy research, and develops plans and proposals for future energy-related research projects. The institute will play a critical role in formulating research-based solutions to our nation's current energy crisis. The institute is funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
- e. **MSU** has established the Mississippi State University Institute of Golf, which is a limited scope institute that promotes the academic and non-academic units involved in golf course operations and player performance. The Golf Institute will bridge the efforts of the Professional Golf Management program in the College of Business, the Golf and Sports Turf Management program in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and MSU Golf Course to promote, establish, and better position MSU as a leading institution in golf teaching, research, and outreach. The institute is funded through retail revenue and reallocation of existing funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
- f. **MSU** has established the Mississippi State University Sustainable Energy Research Center, which is a limited scope center that coordinates renewable energy research efforts at MSU and develops new engineering and scientific knowledge to serve as a catalyst in creating sustainable energy industries in the state. The initial focus of the center will be on supplying renewable transportation fuels and refinery feed stocks to meet the nation's goal of replacing 20% of the fuel supply with renewable energy by 2020. Research through the center will attempt to use natural resources to supply renewable fuel that is sustainable, thus reducing the dependency on oil. The center is funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
- g. **UM** - In September of 2008, the university will establish the Center for Intelligence and Security Studies, which will be a limited scope center that will fill a critical void in the national need for increased educational and research opportunities in the field of intelligence analytics. The new center will allow faculty with interest and expertise in related areas to collaborate on educational, research, and service activities. Furthermore, the center will facilitate more competitive extramural grant applications and enhance educational opportunities for students. The center will be funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
- h. **UM** has established the INDO-US Joint Center for Research in Indian Systems of Medicine, which is a limited scope center that brings forward and further promotes the existing collaborative research between the University of Mississippi Natural Products Research Unit and the Department of Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy, an agency of the government of India. Since 2005, the National Center for Natural Products Research has collaborated on research of medicinal plants with the Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine. The new center will help continue that relationship by facilitating the mechanism for funding and collaboration to: 1) provide authentic information about the strengths of Indian systems of medicine and demystify the misconceptions about these systems of medicines in the US, 2) facilitate awareness through educating, training, workshops, seminars, and information exchange between Indian and US scientists, 3) undertake product development and research activities for the scientific development of Indian systems of medicine, 4) create a repository of authentic reference materials for research and regulatory needs, 5) encourage and facilitate cooperation in research activities, and 6) facilitate the involvement of Indian industry in product

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- development, especially for global markets. The center is funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
- i. **UM** has established the Institute for Innovation in Mathematics Education, which is a limited scope institute that will provide leadership in synergizing business, local communities, parents, IHL institutions, and the Mississippi Department of Education to: 1) improve mathematics performance of K-12 students in the state, 2) bridge the achievement gap in mathematics between African American and Caucasian students, and 3) ensure that student mathematics achievement levels support building of robust growth in the state economy. Although mathematics is the content focus of this institute, infusing applied skills (such as communication strategies, problem solving, teamwork, and leadership) will be a part of the instructional approaches. The center will be funded with extramural grant funds and by existing budgets, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
 - j. **UM** has established the Mississippi Geographic Alliance, which is a limited scope center that focuses on improving K-12 teaching and learning in geography in Mississippi through: 1) professional development workshops for K-12 teachers 2) public awareness campaigns via family-oriented geography educational activities, and 3) research endeavors. Previously, the Croft Institute for International Studies has served as the institutional host for the Mississippi Geographic Alliance (MGA) by managing the grant for this organization and working synergistically to implement common programs. However, the Croft Institute Board has conducted programmatic restructuring, and as a result, has ended its commitment to serve as the host for MGA. The Department of Public Policy Leadership has decided to become the host for MGA and established the MGA as a grant-funded center within the department. The center is funded through an external endowment, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
 - k. **USM** - In the spring of 2009, the university will establish the Center for Healthcare Marketing and Sales, which will be a limited scope center that will advance education, research, and practice in healthcare sales and marketing by coordinating activities between students and potential employers, and by serving as a resource for healthcare and other related industries through educational programs and professional development activities. The center will serve as a resource for faculty interested in research activities related to healthcare sales and marketing. The new center will have an advisory board comprised of faculty administrators from the College of Business, and managers and executives from industry that will provide guidance and assistance related to center activities. The center will be funded with extramural grant funds, thus there will be no new costs to the institution.
 - l. **USM** - In October of 2008, the university will establish the Center for the Study of War and Society, which will be a limited scope center that will serve as a local, national, and international resource for the study of the history of warfare at the social, economical, political, cultural, and military levels. In conjunction with the International Programs Center, the Center for the Study of War and Society will provide students and faculty the opportunity to study the history of war abroad, and will foster a greater understanding of the many aspects of warfare through teaching, scholarship, and outreach. There will be no new costs to the institution to fund the center.

BUDGET FINANCE & AUDIT

3. **DSU** - Approved the request to enter into an agreement with REI Contracting, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to purchase and install a new video scoreboard for the football facility. The contractor will

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provide on-site training and if necessary, provide personnel on-site for opening day service. Selection of the contractor was done via a bid process. The purchase and installation of the football facility scoreboard is to be completed between September 19, 2008 and September 27, 2008. The total cost of the football facility scoreboard is \$530,000. This contract will be financed via sponsorships with local vendors in the form of scoreboard advertising. A copy of the agreement which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is on file in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.

4. **MSU** - Approved the request to enter into an agreement with Viking Range, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to lease up to 1,528 square feet in the University's Center for Advanced Vehicular Systems (CAVS) Extension facility in Canton, Miss., to Viking Range, Inc., in order to facilitate collaborative research with MSU and promote economic development across the state. MSU will provide network and telecommunications capabilities, access to a controlled server area, and utilities and janitorial services. Upon MSU's prior authorization, Viking will be responsible for costs associated with necessary renovations. The lease is for the period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009. The cost to Viking per square foot utilized is \$2.50 on a monthly basis. Costs will not exceed \$45,840 for the contract period. A copy of the agreement which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is on file in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
5. **UMMC** - Approved the request to enter a four-year contract with AVAYA, Inc. The purpose of the contract is to upgrade the existing campus-wide phone and voice mail system. The contract is for the period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2012. Costs include a one-time payment of \$376,000 for hardware and software upgrades and annual licensing and maintenance fees of \$591,799. The total contract cost is \$2,743,196. The contract will be funded via State budgeted funds. A copy of the contract which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
6. **UMMC** - Approved the request to enter a five-year contract with Children's National Medical Center. The purpose of the contract is to partner with the contractor to strengthen pediatric cardiovascular surgery at UMMC. The contractor will provide surgeons, cardiologists, cardiac intensivists, and other personnel. The contract is for the period September 19, 2008 to September 18, 2013. Annual fees are as follows: Year 1: \$300,000, Year 2: \$250,000, Year 3: \$250,000, Year 4: \$200,000, and Year 5: \$200,000. Payments are due on a monthly installment basis for a total contract cost of \$1,200,000. The contract will be funded via patient revenue. A copy of the contract which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
7. **UMMC** - Approved the request to enter a five-year contract with Children's National Medical Center. The purpose of the contract is to partner with the contractor to strengthen pediatric cardiovascular surgery at UMMC. The contractor will provide non-physician personnel, including registered nurses, physician assistants, clinical coordinators, nurse educators, perfusionists, and respiratory therapists to both perform the needed services and teach UMMC staff. The contract is for the period September 19, 2008 to September 18, 2013. In addition to stipulated rates for personnel, a three-day travel allowance per personnel member is also provided. Annual costs will not exceed \$200,000 and the total cost for the contract period is \$1,000,000. The contract will be funded via patient revenue. A copy of the contract which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.

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8. **UMMC** - Approved the request to enter into a contract with Labyrinth Solutions, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to provide consulting services for the UMMC SAP Student Life Cycle Management project. This project is similar to the University of Mississippi, Oxford SAP landscape which allows students to have student accounting, policies, catalog and master data online. The contract is for the period October 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009. A total of ten consultants are budgeted, five of whom will be on-site and the other five available for off-site remote support. Fees will be billed based on actual hours worked. The total contract costs will not exceed \$2,648,000. The contract will be funded via tuition and fees. A copy of the contract which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
9. **UMMC** - Approved the request to amend its agreement with Siemens Medical Solutions. The purpose of the amendment is to extend the contract period an additional thirty-two (32) months in order to upgrade the IBM mainframe. The upgrade is necessary to provide adequate response time to support current and future workload requirements. The amendment is for the period November 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011. The price includes replacement of the IBM business series processor, operating system software licenses, and IBM equipment maintenance. The total cost for the contract period is \$925,181. The contract will be funded via state budgeted funds. A copy of the agreement which has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
10. **UMMC** - Request for Board ratification of a joint agreement with the Delta Health Alliance in which the parties agree to develop and implement a program of remote intensive care monitoring. In order to further this initiative, UMMC and the Delta Health Alliance request approval to enter into a system and service agreement with VISICU, Inc. The purpose of this agreement is to purchase an Electronic ICU System (eICU). eICU is a patented care model that allows hospitals to develop and implement a program of remote intensive care monitoring by utilizing Telemedicine Technology and advanced software to electronically monitor multiple hospital ICU's at the same time. The contract period is September 22, 2008 to September 21, 2013. Annual costs are as follows: Year 1: \$5,320,400; Year 2: 2,343,118; Year 3: \$2,160,944; Year 4: \$1,608,514; and Year 5: \$1,582,764. The total contract cost is \$13,015,740 and will be funded via patient revenue. The Delta Health Alliance will reimburse UMMC for fifty-percent of these costs via grant funds. **(THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO THE REGULAR AGENDA.)**
11. **USM (Information item.)** The Board approved a five-year lease agreement with AVAYA, Inc. in August, 2008 contingent upon being informed of final costs related to the overall project in September. The purpose of the agreement was to lease equipment to upgrade the University's current telephone system. The project consists of two-phases. Actual costs for both phases were finalized shortly after the August Board meeting and are as follows: first phase, replacement of the voice mail system, consisting of system hardware, software and installation costs: \$908,965; second phase, replacement of the telephone switch, consisting of equipment purchases and services, \$535,500. The name of the AVAYA reseller selected as vendor for the second phase of this project is Source. The total contract cost for the lease agreement is \$1,444,465. The period of the lease agreement is October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2013.

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12. **PERSONNEL REPORT**

EMPLOYMENT

Jackson State University
Smith, Ingrad

AWARD OF TENURE

Alcorn State University
Peoples, Gerald

SABBATICAL LEAVE

Mississippi State University

Rescind sabbatical leave approved March, 2008

Dwayne A. Wise, Professor, Biological Sciences,
August 16, 2008 to December 31, 2008, \$77,695.00
per annum, (sabbatical pay for period will be
\$38,847.50), professional improvement

**EDUCATIONAL POLICIES &
PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

The Committee was brought to order at approximately 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Bettye Neely. The following items were discussed/voted upon:

1. Declaration of intent to establish a nursing program at East Mississippi Community College. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.)**
2. On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Perry absent and not voting, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the staff's suggestions based on the academic program productivity review.
3. On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Perry absent and not voting, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the new academic programs. Dr. Neely applauded the universities on their collaboration in offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree.
4. On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the requested modifications to existing academic programs.
5. On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request for a new academic unit.
6. On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the suggested modifications to existing academic units.
7. On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the recommended changes and the plan for implementation from the Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) for the Redesign of Teacher Preparation. Dr. Lynn House, IHL Assistant Commissioner for Academic and Student Affairs, gave a presentation on this BRC project. Dr. Neely commended Dr. House, Dr. Susan Lee, IHL Director of P-16 Initiatives;

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and the rest of the team who diligently worked on the redesign. Commissioner Meredith also thanked Dr. House for her leadership on this project.

8. On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee received the report on the System-Wide Course Redesign Initiative for Educational Enhancement. Dr. House gave a presentation on the system-wide course redesign.

Committee members attending the meeting were: Dr. Bettye Neely (Chair), Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Robin Robinson and Mr. C.D. Smith. Other Board members attending the meeting were: Mr. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey Patterson, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse and Ms. Amy Whitten.

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES & PROGRAMS AGENDA

Presented by Dr. Bettye Neely, Chair

AGENDA ITEM #1 WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA. On motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson, Ms. Pickering and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approved agenda item #2 as submitted on the following Educational Policies & Programs Agenda. Agenda item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Mr. Patterson, Ms. Pickering and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #4 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #5 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Ms. Pickering, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #6 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #7 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #8 was approved on a separate motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting.

1. **System Administration** – In accordance with (a) and (b), Miss. Code Ann., §37-129-1, *et seq.* (1972), as amended, which empowers the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning to establish rules and regulations and promulgate uniform standards for accreditation of schools of nursing- approval is requested for Stage I Application-declaration of intent/need to establish a program of professional nursing for East Mississippi Community College. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.)**
2. **System Administration** - Approved the following recommendations based on the academic productivity review.
 - a. Delete the following 9 academic programs:
 - i. **DSU** -
 - (1) Bachelor of Sciences in Education in Business Education (CIP 13.1303)
 - (2) Bachelor of Science in Education in Special Education (CIP 13.1001)
 - (3) Bachelor of Science in Fashion Merchandising (CIP 52.1902)
 - ii. **JSU** - Master of Science in Systems Management (CIP 52.1401)
 - iii. **MSU** -
 - (1) Bachelor of Science in Business and Industry (CIP 52.0201)

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- (2) Bachelor of Science in Trade and Technical Studies(CIP 13.1319)
 - (3) Master of Science in Entomology and Plant Pathology (CIP 26.0702)
 - (4) Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural Economics (CIP 01.0103)
 - iv. **USM** - Specialist in Library and Information Science (CIP 25.0101)
- b. Continue with stipulations the following 13 academic programs (These programs are subjected to annual review for two years to assess progress toward future productivity.):
 - i. **ASU** - Bachelor of Science in Special Education (CIP 13.1001)
 - ii. **DSU** - Bachelor of Arts in Journalism (CIP 09.0401)
 - iii. **JSU** -
 - (1) Master of Science in Mathematics (CIP 27.0101)
 - (2) Education Specialist in Reading (CIP 13.1315)
 - iv. **MVSU**
 - (1) Bachelor of Science Education in Social Science Education (CIP 13.1317)
 - (2) Bachelor of Science Education in Science Education (CIP 13.1399)
 - (3) Bachelor of Arts in Music (CIP 50.0901)
 - (4) Bachelor of Music Education in Music (CIP 13.1312)
 - v. **USM** -
 - (1) Master of Science in Physics (CIP 40.0801)
 - (2) Master of Education in Art Education (CIP 13.1302)
 - (3) Master of Arts in Philosophy (CIP 38.0101)
 - (4) Doctor of Philosophy in Music Education/Doctor of Music Education (CIP 13.1312)
 - (5) Doctor of Philosophy in Science Education (CIP 13.1316)
- 3. **System Administration** - Approved the new academic programs as follows:
 - a. **ASU, DSU, MUW, UMMC** and **USM** - Request to offer the collaborative Doctor of Nursing Practice degree (CIP 51.1669) to prepare advanced practice nurses for providing higher quality healthcare to diverse populations and to meet the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education's requirement to accredit only advanced practice nursing programs at the doctoral level.
 - b. **MSU** - Request to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Criminology degree (CIP 45.0401) to meet the need of students interested in the sociological aspects of crime and justice.
 - c. **MSU** - Request to offer the Bachelor of Science in Veterinary Medical Technology degree (CIP 51.0808) to prepare students to assist veterinarians and other professionals associated with the care and welfare of animals.
 - d. **MSU** - Request to offer the Doctor of Philosophy in Earth and Atmospheric Sciences degree (CIP 40.0699) to provide students a broad understanding of physical and chemical processes associated with the Earth's subsurface, surface, and atmosphere through observation, theoretical relationships, and quantitative and analytical techniques.
 - e. **MUW** - Request to offer the Bachelor of Science in General Studies degree (CIP 24.0101) to provide students broader freedom of course choices to earn a baccalaureate degree through an individualized, non-traditional course of study.

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- f. **UM** - Request to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies degree (CIP 38.0201) to expose students to the methodology used in the academic study of religion, an array of religious traditions worldwide, and critical and creative thought regarding religion.
 - g. **UMMC** - Request to offer the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences degree (CIP 51.0911) to provide instruction in anatomy and physiology, image production, radiographic pathology, pharmacology, law and ethics, equipment operation, and patient care techniques using high quality medical images to make accurate diagnoses.
 - h. **USM** - Request to offer the Doctor of Philosophy in Instructional Technology and Design degree (CIP 13.0501) to provide students with a broad understanding in cognitive theory, technology applications, and research experience.
4. **System Administration** - Approved the modifications to existing academic programs, as follows:
- a. **MUW** - Request to consolidate the (1) Bachelor of Arts in Music (CIP 50.0901), (2) Bachelor of Music in Music Teacher Education (CIP 13.1312), and (3) Bachelor of Music in Music Therapy (CIP 51.2305) into the Bachelor of Arts in Music or Bachelor of Music (CIP 50.0901), with three emphasis areas (General Music, Music Education, or Music Therapy), to allow more efficient student progression in the music program by exploring their music and career interests fully before committing to a restricted course of study.
 - b. **UMMC** - Request to consolidate the (1) Master of Science in Biochemistry (CIP 26.0202), (2) Master of Science in Medical Pharmacology (CIP 51.2003), and (3) Master of Science in Physiology & Biophysics (CIP 26.0900) into the Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (CIP 26.9999) to improve efficiency, consistency, and quality of basic science educational programs at the institution.
 - c. **DSU** - Request to rename the Bachelor of Science in Audiology and Speech Pathology (CIP 51.0204) to the Bachelor of Science in Speech and Hearing Sciences (CIP 51.0204) to respond to guidelines of practice—DSU’s bachelor of science program offers only pre-professional instruction; to become an audiologist, an individual must hold a doctorate in audiology. The proposed change also aligns the program name with the department name.
 - d. **UM** - Request to rename the Bachelor of Arts in Communicative Disorders (CIP 51.0204) to the Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CIP 51.0204) to emphasize the importance of academic study, clinical training, creative research, service learning, and community outreach in this degree program.
 - e. **UM** - Request to rename the Master of Science in Communicative Disorders (CIP 51.0204) to the Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CIP 51.0204) to emphasize the importance of academic study, clinical training, creative research, service learning, and community outreach in this degree program.
 - f. **UMMC** - to rename the Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management (CIP 51.0706) to the Bachelor of Science in Health Informatics and Information Management (CIP 51.0706) to reflect the latest terminology in this allied health field, and the increasing emphasis on management of electronic health information as a significant component of quality healthcare.
5. **System Administration** - Approved the request for a new academic unit, as follows:
- a. **MSU** - Establishment of the Department of Anthropology and Middle Eastern Cultures, which will be a new academic department in the College of Arts and Sciences that will bring faculty with common training and research interests into a unit with a unified purpose. This new

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department will bring Anthropology faculty (currently housed in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work) and Middle Eastern Studies faculty (currently housed in the Department of Philosophy and Religion) together, since both faculty groups have archaeology as a common research interest. Anthropology faculty are engaged in American archaeology and Middle Eastern Studies faculty are engaged in eastern Mediterranean archaeology, thus this is a logical alignment to allow the faculty to focus their research and teaching efforts in their areas of specialization in ways that are not practical under the current organizational structure. The proposed department will be funded by reallocating existing resources within the College of Arts and Sciences, thus there will be minimal new costs to the institution.

6. **System Administration** - Approved modifications to existing academic units, as follows:
 - a. **MSU** - Request to reorganize the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work by removing Anthropology faculty and associated resources from the existing unit and placing them in the proposed Department of Anthropology and Middle Eastern Cultures. The proposed reorganization will better facilitate collaboration among faculty with common research interests. The proposed reorganization will require minimal financial resources, which will be obtained through reallocation within the College of Arts and Sciences.
 - b. **JSU** - Request to rename the Department of Chemistry to the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry to reflect modern terminology, national trends in teaching chemistry, and faculty research interest in the discipline. The proposed name change will require minimal resources (e.g., change of campus signs, stationary, recruiting materials, etc.).
 - c. **MSU** - Request to rename the College of Business and Industry to the College of Business to reflect modern terminology and to be consistent with the academic unit structure of peer institutions. The proposed name change will require minimal resources.
 - d. **MSU** - Request to rename the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work to the Department of Sociology as a part of a proposed reorganization within the College of Arts and Sciences, whereby Anthropology faculty and associated resources will be removed from the existing unit Sociology and Social Work faculty will remain in the existing unit. The single "Sociology" descriptor will allow the unit to distinguish itself in the discipline and further advance the reputation of its faculty and students. The proposed name change will require minimal resources.
 - e. **MSU** - Request to rename the GeoResources Institute, which is an extensive scope institute, to the Geosystems Research Institute. The proposed name change will better reflect the expanded scope of the existing unit. Besides geospatial technology in agricultural and natural resource management, the unit now includes ecosystems and atmospheric sciences, homeland security, unmanned aircraft systems, and small satellite engineering. The proposed name change will require minimal resources.

7. **System Administration** - Approved the recommended changes and the plan for implementation from the Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) for the Redesign of Teacher Preparation. These recommendations resulted from extensive collaboration and evaluation. A copy of the recommendations is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.

Dr. Neely announced that Dr. House will be presenting the above recommendations to the Mississippi State Board of Education later today.

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8. **System Administration (Information item.)** Dr. Lynn House, IHL Assistant Commissioner for Academic and Student Affairs, gave a report on the System-Wide Course Redesign Initiative for Educational Enhancement. Under the direction of Board staff and in cooperation with the National Center for Academic Transformation (NCAT), IHL institutions are implementing course redesign projects to 1) enhance the delivery method of course content, 2) serve course teaching load demands more efficiently, and 3) improve the student pass/fail rate in selected courses within the IHL system. A copy of the report is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.

Dr. House thanked Ms. Menia Dykes, IHL Coordinator of Academic Affairs and Nursing Education, and Dr. Al Rankins, IHL Director of Academic Affairs, for their work on this project.

**REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

The Committee was brought to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Scott Ross. The following items were discussed/voted upon:

1. On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Rouse, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve agenda item #1.
2. Agenda item #6 was pulled from the agenda.
3. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve agenda items #2 - #5 and #7.
4. Other Business - On motion by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to look into reversing the layout of the conference room table to face the audience.

Committee members attending the meeting were: Mr. Scott Ross (Chair), Mr. Ed Blakeslee, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith. Other Board members attending the meeting were: Dr. Bettye Neely, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey Patterson, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Robin Robinson, and Ms. Amy Whitten.

REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES AGENDA

Presented by Mr. Scott Ross, Chair

On motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approved agenda items #1 - #5, #7 and #8 as submitted on the following Real Estate & Facilities Agenda. **AGENDA ITEM #6 WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.**

1. **MSU** - Approved the initiation of **IHL 205-241, Building 28–Old Band Hall**, a project for the renovation of Building 28–Old Band Hall to be used as a computer center for students. The university also requests approval of Michael T. Muzzi, AIA, AUA, of MSU Facilities Management as project professional. The total project budget is \$670,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

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2. **ASU** - Approved the following requests regarding the privatized housing project:
 - a. Request to lease approximately fifty (50) acres of land located on the western edge of the Alcorn campus in Claiborne County, MS to a LLC that will be created by the Alcorn State University Foundation for a term not to exceed thirty (30) years. After payment by the Board/University of all sums due under the lease, the Board may purchase the auxiliary facilities for \$1.00. The LLC, as part of the development team, plans to construct a \$48,000,000 student housing facility on the property for the benefit of the university.
 - b. Request approval of Campus Apartments, Inc. as the developer and the above named LLC as part of the developer's team. Campus Apartments, Inc. is being recommended for approval based on a comprehensive and open bid process. The recommendation is based on evaluation of pre-determined selection criteria that determined the Campus Apartments, Inc.'s proposal offers the best value to the public in accordance with the evaluation criteria set out in the Request for Proposal (RFP).
 - c. Request that the Board delegate authority to the president of the university to approve and execute the appropriate lease and contractual agreement(s), for the project, pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann., Section 37-101-7 (1972), as amended. A copy of the executed lease/contractual agreements will be kept on file in the IHL Office of Real Estate and Facilities. Board approval of this agenda item is requested contingent upon review and approval of the lease/contractual agreement(s) by the Attorney General's Office.
3. **ASU** - Approved the request to revise the project allocation amounts for the *Ayers*-funded capital projects as per the attached chart. This chart reflects the project amounts as per the Settlement Agreement and the proposed changes. A chart showing the revision is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
4. **MSU** - Approved the request to amend the land lease to Sigma Chi Fraternity by adding an additional .25 acre adjacent to the existing leased property. A copy of the lease and the survey showing the proposed property addition will be kept on file in the offices of Real Estate & Facilities.
5. **MSU** - Approved the proposed exterior design for **IHL 205-235, New Residence Hall**. A copy of the rendering is included in the *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
6. **MVSU** - Request to revise the project allocation amounts for the *Ayers*-funded capital projects as per the attached chart. This chart reflects the project amounts as per the Settlement Agreement and the proposed changes. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.)**
7. **UM** - Approved the request to name the recently completed Farley Hall addition as The Overby Center in honor of university alumnus Charles Overby, the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Freedom Forum.
8. **Other Business** - Approved the recommendation of the Real Estate & Facilities Committee to look into reversing the Board's conference table in the Board room so that it faces the audience.

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9. **System Administration (Information item.)** - The Board received the Real Estate & Facilities items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the September 17-18, 2008 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval. (See Exhibit 1.)

**BUDGET, FINANCE & AUDIT
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

The Committee was brought to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. by Mr. Aubrey Patterson, Chair. The following items were discussed/voted upon:

1. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the Committee's recommendation authorizing the Board staff to move forward with agenda item #1 upon approval by the Chairman of the Budget Finance & Audit Committee.
2. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Perry, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve agenda item #2.
3. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Owens, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve agenda item #3.
4. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Owens, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve agenda item #4, contingent upon approval by the Attorney General's Office. Ms. Cheryl Mowdy, IHL Director of Support Operations, gave a presentation about *Ayers* funding.

Committee members attending the meeting were: Mr. Aubrey Patterson (Chair), Mr. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Alan Perry, and Ms. Christy Pickering. Other Board members attending the meeting were: Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Bettye Neely, Ms. Robin Robinson, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith, and Ms. Amy Whitten.

BUDGET, FINANCE & AUDIT AGENDA

Presented by Mr. Aubrey Patterson, Chair

On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Perry, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approved agenda item #1 as submitted on the following Budget, Finance & Audit Agenda. Agenda item #2 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Pickering, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #4 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Rouse, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting. Agenda item #5, **which was moved from the Consent Agenda**, was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Ms. Pickering, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting.

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GOVERNANCE /LEGAL AGENDA

Presented by Mr. Bob Owens, Chair

On motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board approved moving agenda item #1 to the list of items to be taken up in Executive Session. **AGENDA ITEM #1 WAS TAKEN UP IN EXECUTIVE SESSION LATER IN THE MEETING.** On motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Ms. Pickering, with Mr. Perry, Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approved agenda item #2 as submitted on the following Legal Agenda. **AGENDA ITEM #3 WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.**

1. **UMMC** - Settlement of Tort Claim No. 1438. **(THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN UP DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION.)**
2. **USM** - Approved the request to file a lawsuit against Ace Westchester, Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Co. and John Does 1-10, to attempt to recover insurance proceeds related to damage caused by Hurricane Katrina. The university also requests approval to hire John Lee, Paul Benton and Tommy Dulin as outside counsel to represent USM in this lawsuit. These attorneys will work on a contingency fee basis. The Attorney General has approved these requests.
3. **System Administration** - Proposed amendments to Board Policy 301.0806 University Foundation/Affiliated Entity Activities. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.)** The subcommittee members, Mr. Perry and Mr. Ross, received responses from the stakeholders. These responses need to be handled before this item is presented again at the October meeting. A copy of the policy is included in the bound *September 17-18, 2008 Board Working File*.
4. **System Administration (Information item.)** - The Board received a report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel. **(See Exhibit 2.)**

GULF COAST SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 18, 2008

Mr. Robert Bass, IHL Project Director—Gulf Coast operations, gave the following update:

- Planning work continues along the schedule presented at last month's Board of Trustees meeting. A tour of the Cross Creek property was conducted for all Master Planning Committee members on August 15th, complete with a briefing on the site by developer representatives.
- The full Committee met on August 27th and 28th on the Gulf Park campus, with presentations and discussion led by the Sasaki & Co. members of the consulting collaborative. Sasaki representatives gave an extensive briefing on the geo/technical aspects of the Cross Creek site, the potential "student market" to be served by the university, and the existing and potential industries in need of well-trained future employees. In-depth discussions were held with department heads and academic deans, university administration, and members representing student constituencies. Topics covered included planning

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principles for the Committee's work, potential curricula, current thinking in campus buildings better serving student life, and how to tie the existing coastal sites together. Following the conclusion of the sessions, a delegation of the Committee's Leadership Team met with developer representatives to update on the Committee's work to date and offer them opportunity for feedback.

- The next planning session will be held October 8th and 9th, with logistics still being determined. At present, the Executive Committee of the Gulf Coast Business Council will meet with the Committee on the afternoon of the 8th to give its input regarding their programmatic and community needs and desires for the Gulf Coast area. Tentatively scheduled are additional sessions/forums with coastal municipal and county public officials and local school district leadership.
- We expect to have an extensive briefing and update for the Gulf Coast Special Committee and the full Board of Trustees at the October Board meeting. Remaining formal planning sessions are scheduled as follows: November 12-13, 2008, January 21-22, 2009, and April 15-16, 2009. We encourage all Trustees available to attend as their schedules permit.

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY AGENDA
Presented by Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner

1. **System Administration** - The Board discussed the dates and locations for the January through December 2009 Board meetings as outlined below:

Wednesday-Thursday, January 14-15, 2009	Board Office
Wednesday-Thursday, February 18-19, 2009	Campus Meeting - JSU
Wednesday, March 18, 2009	Board Office
Thursday, April 16, 2009	Board Office
Wednesday-Thursday, May 13-14, 2009	Board Office
Tuesday-Thursday, June 16-18, 2009	Board Retreat - TBA
Thursday, July 16, 2009	Subject to Call
Wednesday-Thursday, August 19-20, 2009	Board Office
Wednesday-Thursday, September 16-17, 2009	Board Office
Wednesday-Thursday, October 14-15, 2009	Campus Meeting - ASU
Wednesday-Thursday, November 18-19, 2009	Board Office
Thursday, December 17, 2009	Subject to Call

Dr. Meredith noted that the Thursday, April 16th date should be Wednesday, April 15th.

2. **System Administration** - The Board discussed the proposed deadline for submission of the Diversity Report to the Board and the proposed deadline for submission of goals in response to the Diversity Report.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Ms. Whitten announced that the Joint Legislative Budget Committee Hearings for the IHL System are scheduled to begin on Monday, September 22nd at 1:30 p.m. The separately funded units will be presented the next morning. Ms. Whitten encouraged all of the Board members to attend the hearings.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Presented by Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner

The highlights from the Commissioner's Report were as follows:

- ▶ Thank you, Madam President. It is my pleasure to present the September Commissioner's report.
- ▶ For the 14th consecutive year, enrollment has increased in our public university System. Preliminary figures were released Tuesday; I know you all received the release. Some of our institutions were down; some were up—way up!—like Mississippi State, with a 4.6% increase! Southern Miss-Gulf Coast reached a record enrollment, highest ever since the university opened in 1972. Enrollment also rose at the University of Mississippi for the 13th consecutive year. Some of our institutional enrollments went down, which I believe is indicative of today's economy and certainly not a trend. But, overall, I am pleased enrollment is up again.
- ▶ It seems that, for the most part, Mississippi was spared Hurricane Gustav's wrath just a few weeks ago. I know the Hurricane brought back some traumatic memories for many Mississippians, especially our citizens on the Gulf Coast. Mr. Blakeslee and Ms. Pickering, I hope we weathered the storm relatively OK, considering the circumstances. Alcorn and Southern Miss Gulf Coast were the most impacted, although compared to the damages incurred during Katrina, we all know it could have been much worse. Dr. Ross, I believe you had some minimal damage to buildings, but a good deal of water damage and roof leakage. Dr. Saunders, I believe you had transformer damage at Gulf Park, and the Halsted Road site had some damage to the pier, but all can be repaired. In good news, Cedar Point came through well! Many of our institutions cancelled class for one or more days. This is expected, as the safety of our students, faculty, and staff is our number one priority. Like they did during Hurricane Katrina, our institutions immediately responded to the call to service. Delta State, Jackson State, Mississippi State, Mississippi Valley State, and the University of Mississippi all opened general population shelters; Jackson State also opened a special needs shelter. Mississippi State also sheltered thousands of pets and livestock. Like they did during Hurricane Katrina, the University of Mississippi Medical Center's Department of Medicine opened a clinic at the Coliseum. UMMC staff volunteered their time and treated 129 patients in 3 days. Mississippi University for Women also packed trucks full of supplies, ready to be deployed to impacted sister institutions at a moment's notice. IHL staff (Bob Neal and Andy Taylor from Linda's group and Pete Wally and Jim Hood from Phil's group) manned an IHL desk at the MEMA Emergency Operations Center 24-hours a day for the duration of the emergency. This was the first "major" incident in which IHL had a seat in the EOC, which is an important facet of our System-wide disaster plan. From our desk, IHL is able to track incidents at our universities and deploy aid as needed. This System assigns a MEMA tracking number to each incident, which helps our institutions seeking reimbursement of expenses from MEMA. Executive Office and institutional staff are also able to be in constant contact with IHL personnel, who kept us up-to-date on the storm and its progress. In addition, Annie Mitchell was called in by MEMA public information staff to assist the agency in its

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Joint Information Center, responding to media and general public inquiries. I appreciate the good work of our institutions and our staff. Service is important to the mission of any public university, and our folks never falter in that regard.

- ▶ I appreciate the fact that nearly all of you attended the hearings called by the Senate Universities and Colleges Committee. Some of those committee members are with us today, and we appreciate their attendance. We were fortunate to have an opportunity to discuss the many benefits of our current System of Higher Education. At the top of the list is our ability to put the needs of the State of Mississippi first, before the individual needs of any one institution. Our seat in the MEMA EOC, and our ability to coordinate statewide emergency response, is a perfect example of how our System works to improve the lives of all Mississippians. Other examples include initiatives like the Blue Ribbon Committee for Teacher Education and the National Center for Academic Transformation's course redesign program. You received those reports today, and I know you understand the great, positive impact both initiatives will have for our students and our universities. It is my understanding that Senator Davis will be on our campuses in the next few weeks. I know our institutional executive officers are looking forward to the opportunity to showcase their exceptional institutions.
- ▶ This is the third day in Jackson for many of you, as the Mississippi State Board Search Committee held first round interviews Tuesday and yesterday. First round interviews will be held for the next president of Mississippi Valley State University next week. The searches are progressing on-schedule, thanks to your efforts, as well as the good work of the campus Search Advisory Committees, who had the great task of reviewing all the resumes and forwarding their selections to the Board Search Committees. Those groups also self-selected about 7 members to join the Board for the remaining interviews, and I know you are appreciating their insights and participation. Our goal is to have both searches completed no later than November 1st.
- ▶ Many of you will be back in Jackson on Monday, when we appear before the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. Like you discussed with the members of the Senate Universities and Colleges Committee last week, this is another opportunity to discuss the needs of our institutions, as well as start a conversation about your proposed five year framework. We will be followed on Monday by the University of Mississippi Medical Center, as well as the Agriculture Units at Alcorn and Mississippi State. We appreciate your time and participation and look forward to a productive meeting.
- ▶ Finally, in institutional good news:
 - ▶ Eight Alcorn State University students have been selected to attend the Thurgood Marshall College Fund's 2008 Leadership Institute. They will attend the 8th Annual Leadership Institute Recruitment Conference & Career Fair entitled "Critical Thinking: Real World - Real Time Decisions" next month in New York City. What a great honor for these exceptional students!
 - ▶ Dr. John M. Hilpert revealed the new Delta State University logo during an unveiling ceremony Saturday, September 13th on the Delta State campus. The ceremony kicked off the first campus-wide marketing initiative in the school's history designed to promote a comprehensive, aggressive approach to marketing Delta State University. You can view the new logo now! Here it is on our screen. Good job, John!
 - ▶ For the third time in five years, Tulane University evacuated faculty, staff and students to Jackson State University due to a hurricane. Hurricane Gustav's threat sent 267 students to Jackson who found shelter at the Lee E. Williams Athletics and Assembly Center. Since 2000, JSU has provided Tulane temporary emergency accommodations.
 - ▶ Lowndes County company PACCAR partnered with Mississippi State University through a \$2 million donation to the Bagley College of Engineering to establish a new academic chair.

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Funding from global leader of designing and manufacturing light-, medium-, and heavy-duty trucks will support excellence in engineering and spur economic development in the state.

- ▶ For the 5th year in a row, Mississippi University for Women has been ranked a top Southern public master's university by *U.S. News & World Report*. MUW was ranked 12th among Southern public master's universities in the 2009 edition as well as No. 33 in the Best Universities Master's by region category.
- ▶ John Tanner, former Department of Justice attorney, will be the featured speaker at the Mississippi Valley State University's 2009 Aaron Henry Scholars Lecture Series on Race, Politics, Gender and Culture. Mr. Tanner will speak on "Election 2008: Consequences and Expectations." The event is scheduled on Oct. 8th, at 6:30 p.m. in the MVSU Carpenter Auditorium.
- ▶ Former longtime NBC news anchor Tom Brokaw will speak in the Fulton Chapel of the University of Mississippi the evening before the first 2008 Presidential Debate. The event is sponsored by Ole Miss' Overby Center for Southern Journalism and Politics, and is among dozens of special events planned in concert with the debate. Although tickets have been distributed, the address and Q&A will be simulcast in the Farley Hall Auditorium and on the Grove Stage. Chancellor Khayat spoke to you last month about the debate. Needless to say, this has been a tremendous undertaking for the University of Mississippi, and we are all extraordinarily proud of you and the fine work by your faculty, staff, and students!
- ▶ Last Friday, the University of Mississippi Medical Center hosted a dedication for the new Arthur C. Guyton Research Center. Dr. Davidson attended that great event, named in honor of Dr. Guyton. Among his many extraordinary accomplishments, Dr. Guyton wrote the world-renowned *Textbook of Medical Physiology*; the most widely utilized physiology text. Dr. Jones, I know you and your students will enjoy that beautiful facility.
- ▶ The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Southern Mississippi is the recipient of a \$1 million endowment from The Bernard Osher Foundation of San Francisco. The only lifelong learning institute in Mississippi supported by the Osher Foundation, the Southern Miss institute provides a wide range of intellectually-engaging learning activities for senior adults in the Hattiesburg area.
- ▶ And that, Madam President, brings me to the end of my report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Ms. Whitten declared the Senate Universities and Colleges Committee hearings as extremely fruitful. She thanked the Board members who took the time to attend. Ms. Whitten also thanked the Legislature for encouraging the Board to have these kinds of dialogues. Ms. Pickering has suggested that members of the IHL Board liaison with the Senate Universities and Colleges Committee over time. Ms. Whitten is thinking about suggesting a meeting between the IHL Board and the Senate Universities and Colleges Committee in the early part of the legislative session to show the legislators the issues that concern the universities. Mr. Owens noted that the Institutional Executive Officers represented the system very well during the hearings.
2. Ms. Whitten thanked the Commissioner's staff, especially Ms. Jeri Knapp and Ms. Sharon Scott, for their superlative work organizing the many recent meetings including providing meals at the last minute.

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On motion by Ms. Pickering, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Ms. Pickering, seconded by Dr. Rouse, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of two personnel matters at Mississippi State University,
Discussion of a personnel matter at the Board Office, and
Discussion of a litigation matter at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

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

On motion by Ms. Whitten, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board approved the settlement of Tort Claim case #1199, *Hamilton v. UMMC*, as presented by counsel.

The Board discussed the request of Dr. R. H. Gilmer for a Board review of his termination as a tenured faculty member at Mississippi State University. Following careful consideration of and deliberation over Dr. Gilmer's request, a motion was made by Mr. Ross, seconded by Ms. Pickering, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, denying the request for Board review.

The Board discussed a Board Office personnel matter. **No action was taken.**

Due to time constraints, the Board did not take up the second personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

On motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Smith, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Mr. Patterson and Ms. Robinson absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn.

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EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 Real Estate & Facilities items that were approved by the IHL Board staff subsequent to the August 20-21, 2008 Board meeting.
- Exhibit 2 Report of the payment of legal fees to outside counsel.

Real Estate & Facilities items that were approved by the Board staff subsequent to the August 20-21, 2008 Board meeting in accordance with Board Policy 904 Board Approval.

Jackson State University

GS 103-219, Johnson/Dansby Replacement: The Board staff approved the Design Development Documents as presented by Vernell Barnes Architects and Foil-Wyatt Architects, a joint venture. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$13,350,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004; HB 246, Laws of 2007; and HB 1641; Laws of 2006.

Mississippi Center for Education and Research

GS 111-044, Mechanical Modifications Program: The Board staff approved the request for payment in the amount of \$57,432.12 to Atherton Consulting Engineers, Inc. for engineering services on the above referenced project. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management.

Mississippi State University

Removal of Buildings 1723 and 1724: The Board staff approved the university's request to remove Greenhouse Buildings 1723 and 1724 located at South Farm, Animal Research Center, Starkville, Mississippi. The buildings will be removed from the Mississippi Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station #422 inventory. The Office of Real Estate and Facilities will maintain letters from MDAH and MDEQ on file. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management.

IHL 205-230, Simrall Auditorium Renovation: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$24,180 with an additional twenty (20) days added to the contract of Weathers Construction. The change order is necessary to extend the new auditorium finishes into room 104. The total project budget is \$600,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 205-235, New Residence Hall: The Board staff approved the Schematic Designs as presented by Luke Peterson and Kaye Architects, project professionals. The total project budget is \$29,960,000. Funding is available from Mississippi State University Educational Building Corporation Bonds in the amount of \$29,960,000.

IHL 205-237, Parking Lot South: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$43,770. This change order is necessary to increase the thickness of the new asphalt road bed. The total project budget is \$932,000. Funding is available from self-generated sources.

Mississippi University for Women

IHL 204-118, Fine Arts Building-Storm Damage: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$46,635.45 to install additional fiber optics and sinks. The total project budget is \$5,108,580. Funding is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Mississippi Emergency Management Agency.

Mississippi Valley State University

GS 106-198, Science and Technology Center: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 for an increase of forty (40) days to the contract of Frazier Construction Company. The change order is necessary due to time extension caused by weather delays for the months of December 2007 thru May 2008. The Board staff requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$15,010,786.88.

IHL 106-202, Sutton Administration Building: The Board staff approved a request for a declaration of an emergency for the Sutton Administration Building Project to award emergency mold remediation to Anderson Environmental Services in the amount of \$195,000. The Board staff requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management.

IHL 206-019, New Men's & Women's Residence Halls: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 for a credit in the amount of \$37,616.88 with an additional ten (10) days to the contract of Carothers Construction caused by weather delays. The total project budget is \$12,284,555.80. Funding is available from the EBC Revenue Bonds Account Project Contingency.

IHL 206-019, New Men's & Women's Residence Halls: The Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$28,102.60 with an additional eight (8) days to the contract of Carothers Construction. This change order is necessary due to weather delays and various revisions added as approved by Billes Architecture in association with Dale and Associates Architects. The total project budget is \$12,284,555.80. Funding is available from the EBC Revenue Bonds Account Project Contingency.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 for a credit in the amount of \$30,834. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$9,166 with an increase of twenty (20) days to the contract of IKBI Incorporated due to improvements of ADA accessibility items. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$7,189.30 for glazing of windows and glazing of storefront entrance systems. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$10,529 with an increase of forty-five (45) days to the contract of IKBI Incorporated for hard tile flooring in lieu of wood grain flooring. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$4,992.15 with an increase of ten (10) days to the contract of IKBI Incorporated for the installation of added doors, frames and hardware. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$5,172.70 with an increase of ten (10) days to the contract of IKBI Incorporated for the installation of associated components to concrete masonry walls and corridor doors. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #7 for a credit in the amount of \$19,253. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #8 in the amount of \$8,494.47. This change order is necessary to secure type "B" fixtures to corridor walls to prevent potential damages to fixtures. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #9 in the amount of \$2,112.55. This change order is necessary to provide installation to column mounted lighting in lobby area for lighting as shown in architectural detail on electrical drawings. Funding is available from the Educational Building Corporation Bonds

University of Mississippi

GS 107-277, Old Chemistry Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$6,734.38 and an increase of twenty-four (24) days to the contract of Panola Construction Company. This change order is necessary due to various exterior painting to the auditorium, allowances for HVAC controls, costs for valves for the chilled water system, grate protection system for NE building elevation light wells and electrical conduit and wiring to connect five AHU's to control panels. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The project budget is \$4,000,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 107-277, Old Chemistry Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #5 in the amount of \$7,970 for exterior masonry restoration work, removal of sign and paint the exterior canopy on the north side of the building and a deduction of cost for Thermal Infrared Imaging Scan of the electrical system. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The project budget is \$4,000,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 107-284, Fraser Hall Third Floor: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$87,415 with an additional thirty (30) days to the contract of CIG Contractors, Inc. for insurance necessary for removal and disposal of undiscovered asbestos which was located by concealed conditions. The Board staff requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$3,600,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 107-291, Guyton Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved the Contract Documents, authorized the request to advertise for the receipt of bids, and requested approval by the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$3,000,000. Funds are available from HB 246, Laws of 2007.

IHL 207-294, Residential Colleges: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$13,461 for electrical supply revisions and sewer line work to the project. The total project budget is \$46,500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 207-294, Residential Colleges: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$127,890 for installation of various foundation items to the new kitchen and the installation of a gas line, a meter, a strainer and fittings to extend the main water line feed to the south side of the building. The total project budget is \$46,500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

IHL 209-435”C”, Guyton Building Expansion: The Board staff approved Change Order #8 in the amount of \$145,999 with an additional twenty-one (21) days to the contract of Flintco, Inc. for miscellaneous latent conditions and items. The total project budget is \$53,500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-499, Day Surgery HVAC Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 for a credit adjustment in the amount of \$89,546. The total project budget is \$1,500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by David Ware & Associates (Statement dated 7/1/08) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the labor certification of Dragan Stanisevski.)

TOTAL DUE \$2,000.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Phelps Dunbar (Statement dated 7/28/08) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the case styled *Charlie F. Wade v. MS Cooperative Extension Service.*)

TOTAL DUE \$908.08

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by John T. Kitchens (Statements dated 7/15/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$870.00, \$945.00, \$1,692.80 and \$4,725.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with the cases styled *Flowers, Beason, Knight* and *McGarry*, respectively.)

TOTAL DUE \$8,232.80

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Barry J. Walker (Statements dated 6/29/08) from the funds of Delta State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$1,500.00 and \$1,500.00, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with the employment certifications of *Kumiko Shimizu* and *Adam Lynde.*)

TOTAL DUE \$3,000.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins, Ludlam, Winter & Stennis (Statement dated 5/15/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the EBC Research.)

TOTAL DUE \$1,395.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Adams & Reese (Statements dated 7/17/08 and 7/24/08) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (These statements, in the amounts of \$14,198.99 and \$20,509.88, represent services and expenses in connection with a personnel issue.)

TOTAL DUE \$34,708.87

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler, Snow, O’Mara, Stevens & Cannada (Statements dated 7/21/08 and 7/26/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the UMMC-North Clinic for General Advice - \$6,186.09 and the UMMC-North Clinic for General Representation of Medical School and Facility Practice Plans - \$1,720.00.)

TOTAL DUE \$7,906.09

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler, Snow, O’Mara, Stevens & Cannada (Statements dated 6/20/08, 6/20/08, 6/20/08, 6/21/008, 7/22/08 and 7/22/08) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with following patent applications: “Organic Wood Preservatives” - \$161.50, “Compact Time of Flight Mass Spectrometer – Japan” - \$935.00, “Compact Time of Flight Mass Spectrometer – UK” - \$85.00, “Organic Wood Preservatives” - \$811.74, “Compact Time of Flight Mass Spectrometer – Germany” - \$395.16 and “Light Scattering etc.” - \$220.00.)

TOTAL DUE \$2,608.40

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (Statements dated 6/17/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with the following patent applications: “Cell Culture Model for Demyelination/Remyelination” - \$829.29, “Thermally-Targeted Delivery of Medicaments” - \$741.50, “DNA Sequence Encoding a Human Imidazoline Receptor and Method for Cloning the Same” - \$1,020.00 and “Saliva-Based Protein Profiling” - \$678.43.)

TOTAL DUE \$3,269.22

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 7:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this September 23-24, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely (Chair), Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Bob Owens, and Mr. Alan Perry. Committee member Ms. Amy Whitten was absent. The following Mississippi Valley State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Moses Newsome, Jr., Vice President, Research, Planning, Community, and Economic Development and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Gwendolyn Catchings, Vice-President of the Faculty Senate and Assistant Professor of Business Administration; Mr. Edgar Bland, Director of Academic Computing Services; Ms. Brandy Brown, Student Government Association President; Ms. Carolyn Upkins, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Alumni Association; Dr. Walter Roberts, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Foundation; and Dr. Abigail Newsome, Director and Assistant Professor of Bioinformatics. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner of Higher Education; the search consultant, Ms. Jan Greenwood of Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. in Miramar, Florida; and Ms. Marion Frenche, an associate with Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neely.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Owens, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi Valley State University.

During Executive Session, the Committee conducted first round interviews of the candidates for the position of President at Mississippi Valley State University.

On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

AT APPROXIMATELY 5:00 P.M. THE COMMITTEE RECESSED UNTIL THE NEXT MORNING.

THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 7:30 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008. There were present the following Committee members to wit: Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely (Chair), Dr. Stacy Davidson, and Mr. Alan Perry. Committee members Mr. Bob Owens and Ms. Amy Whitten were absent. The following Mississippi Valley State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Moses Newsome, Jr.; Dr. Gwendolyn Catchings; Mr. Edgar Bland; Ms. Carolyn Upkins; Dr. Walter Roberts; and Dr. Abigail Newsome. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Ms. Jan Greenwood and Ms. Marion Frenche also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neely.

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On motion by Dr. Neely, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Owens and Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Mr. Owens and Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Perry, with Mr. Owens and Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 12:30 p.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this September 24, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Mr. Scott Ross (Chair), Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Ms. Robin Robinson, Dr. Douglas Rouse, and Mr. C.D. Smith. The following Mississippi State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Bill Kibler, Vice President for Student Affairs and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Susan Bridges, Professor of Computer Science and Engineering; Mr. Braxton Coombs, Student Body President; Dr. Linda Cornelious, Professor and Interim Head of Instructional Systems and Workforce Development; Mr. David Jones, Past President of the MSU Alumni Association; Dr. Melissa Moore, Associate Professor of Marketing; Ms. Joy Odom, MSU Staff Council President; and Dr. Lynne Richardson, Dean of the College of Business and Industry. Dr. Thomas Meredith, Commissioner of Higher Education; the search consultant, Mr. Jerry Baker of Baker and Associates, LLC in Atlanta, Georgia; and Board member Dr. Stacy Davidson also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Ms. Robinson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

During Executive Session, the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee received feedback on the background and reference checks for three candidates.

On motion by Dr. Rouse, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Patterson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
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**September 24, 2008
Board of Trustees Emergency Meeting**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
September 24, 2008**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in an emergency meeting via teleconference on September 24, 2008 at 1:40 p.m. with public attendance available in Room 935 on the 9th floor of the Paul B. Johnson tower building in the Education and Research Center in Jackson, Mississippi, in the President's Conference Room in the Administration Building on the campus of the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and in the Trustees Conference Room in the Lyceum on the campus of the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi. The following members participated in the teleconference: Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christy Pickering, Ms. Robin J. Robinson, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Ms. Amy Whitten. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Amy Whitten, President.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this teleconference meeting were recorded by name in a roll-call fashion. This emergency teleconference meeting was held to discuss a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Ross, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

During Executive Session, the Board discussed a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Ms. Robinson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. Robinson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board members voted to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
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**September 27, 2008
Board of Trustees Emergency Meeting**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
September 27, 2008**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in an emergency meeting via teleconference on September 27, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. with public attendance available in Room 935 on the 9th floor of the Paul B. Johnson tower building in the Education and Research Center in Jackson, Mississippi, in the President's Conference Room in the Administration Building on the campus of the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and in Room 110 in the Lyceum on the campus of the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi. The following members participated in the teleconference: Mr. H. Ed Blakeslee, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Aubrey B. Patterson, Mr. Alan Perry, Ms. Christy Pickering, Ms. Robin J. Robinson, Mr. Scott Ross, Dr. Douglas Rouse, Mr. C.D. Smith and Ms. Amy Whitten. Dr. Stacy Davidson and Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely were absent. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Amy Whitten, President.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann., §25-41-5, as amended, all votes taken during this teleconference meeting were recorded by name in a roll-call fashion. This emergency teleconference meeting was held to discuss a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Perry, with Dr. Davidson and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Ross, with Dr. Davidson and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reasons reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi State University and
Discussion of a related personnel matter at the Board Office.

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

The Board discussed a personnel matter at Mississippi State University.

On motion by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Ms. Robinson, with Dr. Davidson and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board accepted Dr. Meredith's voluntary request that he be allowed to step aside and take leave until the investigation by the State Auditor's Office into allegations regarding landscaping performed in Dr. Meredith's yard has been completed, to prevent any perceived conflict or interference by him in the progress of the investigation.

On motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Perry, with Dr. Davidson and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

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September 27, 2008**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Perry, with Dr. Davidson and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
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**October 8, 2008
Mississippi Valley State University
Presidential Search Committee Meeting**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
October 8, 2008**

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee met at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 10:00 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing to each and every member of said Committee, said date being at least five days prior to this October 8, 2008 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following Committee members to wit: Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely (Chair), Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Bob Owens, Mr. Alan Perry, and Ms. Amy Whitten. The following Mississippi Valley State University Interview Search Advisory Committee members were present to wit: Dr. Moses Newsome, Jr., Vice President, Research, Planning, Community, and Economic Development and Chairman of the Search Advisory Committee; Dr. Gwendolyn Catchings, Vice-President of the Faculty Senate and Assistant Professor of Business Administration; Mr. Edgar Bland, Director of Academic Computing Services; Ms. Brandy Brown, Student Government Association President; Ms. Carolyn Upkins, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Alumni Association; Dr. Walter Roberts, President of the Mississippi Valley State University Foundation; and Dr. Abigail Newsome, Director and Assistant Professor of Bioinformatics. The search consultant, Ms. Jan Greenwood of Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. in Miramar, Florida; Ms. Marion Frenche, an associate with Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc.; and Board member Ms. Christy Pickering also attended the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neely.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason reported to the public and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a personnel matter at Mississippi Valley State University.

During Executive Session, the Mississippi Valley State University Presidential Search Committee received feedback and references for five candidates.

On motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Ms. Whitten was absent and not voting, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Ms. Whitten was absent and not voting, the Committee members voted to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

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A. EDUCATIONAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

1. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION – ANNUAL REPORT ON INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITATION (INFORMATION ITEM)

In accordance with Board Policy 508 (2) Accreditation Procedures, this table summarizes institutional accreditation visits and status changes for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Institution/Area	Accreditation Agency	Date of Visit	Reason for Visit	Required Institutional Action	Accreditation Agency Action
Alcorn State University					
Department of Human Sciences	American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences	June 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2015
Baccalaureate Nursing Program	National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission	October 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2015
Delta State University					
College of Education – Educator Preparation Programs	National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education	April 2008	Conditional accreditation status changed to full accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2013
College of Education – Educator Preparation Programs (Initial Teacher Education; Master of Educational Leadership)	Mississippi Department of Education – Process and Performance Review	April 2008	All standards met by all programs	None	Approved through spring 2009
Jackson State University					
College of Education and Human Development – Department of School, Community and Rehabilitative Counseling	Council on Rehabilitation Counseling	February 2008	Continuing accreditation	June 2008 Submitted addendum	Approved accreditation through 2017
School of Health Sciences – Masters and Doctor of Public Health Programs	Council on Education for Public Health	February 2008	Initial accreditation	None	Results pending (expected fall 2008)
School of Health Sciences – Masters in Communicative Disorders	Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	(no site visit)	—	Annual report	Approved annual report
School of Health Sciences – Doctor of Public Health	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools – Commission on Colleges	August 2007	Continuing accreditation	Submitted monitoring report for Substantive Change – Standard on Faculty Competence	Accepted monitoring report

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Institution/Area	Accreditation Agency	Date of Visit	Reason for Visit	Required Institutional Action	Accreditation Agency Action
School of Policy and Planning – Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Planning	Planning Accreditation Board	October 2007	Candidacy	Submitted preliminary self-study report	Granted candidacy status
Department of Computer Science	Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology	November 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2014
Mississippi State University					
Department of Landscape Architecture – Masters Program	American Society of Landscape Architects	March 2008	Initial accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2013
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work	Council on Social Work Education	January 2008	Continuing accreditation	Progress report	Results pending
Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education	American Psychological Association	October 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2014
College of Education	National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education	March 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2014
Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education	Council on Rehabilitation Counseling	February 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2016
Department of Forestry	Wood Science and Technology	April 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2017
Department of Forestry (Environmental conservation, forest management, wildlife management and urban forestry options)	Society of American Foresters	April 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2017
College of Veterinary Medicine	American Veterinary Medical Association	March 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2015
College of Veterinary Medicine	Veterinary Medical Association	October 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2010
Mississippi University for Women					
Baccalaureate and Graduate Education Programs	Mississippi Department of Education	May 2008	Continuing state approval	None	Approved for 1 year
Mississippi Valley State University					
Baccalaureate in Accounting, Business Administration, and Office Administration	Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs	February 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2017

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Institution/Area	Accreditation Agency	Date of Visit	Reason for Visit	Required Institutional Action	Accreditation Agency Action
University of Mississippi					
Bachelor of Social Work	Council on Social Work Education	January 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2016
Bachelor of Arts in English, Foreign Languages, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Special Education Programs	National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education	March 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Approved accreditation through 2014
University of Mississippi Medical Center					
School of Nursing – Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Nursing	Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning	(no site visit)	—	Annual Report	Approved annual accreditation
University of Southern Mississippi					
Paralegal Studies – Baccalaureate	American Bar Association	February 2007	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Interior Design – Baccalaureate	Council for Interior Design Accreditation	October 2007	Continuing accreditation	Improve response to Educational Program Standards	Approved accreditation through 2010
Teacher education Programs	National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Preparation of Language Arts Teachers (English Licensure) – Baccalaureate Program	National Council of Teachers of English	January 2008	Continuing accreditation	Refine assessment and improve data consistency	Nationally recognized through 2013
Preparation of Science Teachers (Chemistry, Physics, Biology Licensure) – Baccalaureate Program	National Science Teachers Association	January 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Nationally recognized through 2013
Preparation of Teachers of Foreign Language (Foreign Language and Literature Licensure) – Baccalaureate Program	American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Preparation of Teachers of Physical Education (Physical Education Licensure) – Baccalaureate Program	National Association for Sports and Physical Education	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	Monitor assessment and track professional development	Results pending
Clinical Psychology – Doctorate Program	American Psychological Association	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
School of Psychology – Doctorate Program	American Psychological Association	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Athletic Training Education – Baccalaureate Program	Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education	March 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Sport Coaching Education – Baccalaureate Program	National Council for Accreditation of Coaching Education	(no site visit)	—	July 2008 Submit rejoinder to initial review for initial accreditation	Results pending

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Institution/Area	Accreditation Agency	Date of Visit	Reason for Visit	Required Institutional Action	Accreditation Agency Action
Kinesiotherapy – Baccalaureate Program	Commission of Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs	June 2008	Continuing accreditation	None	Results pending
Recreation – Baccalaureate Program	National Recreation and Park Association	(no site visit)	—	February 2008 Submitted response to Conditions Report for continuing accreditation	Results pending
Special Education with Behavior Disorders – Masters Program	Council on Exceptional Children	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	Fall 2008 Submitted interim report	Approved a accreditation through 2013
Special Education with Emphasis Gifted Education – Masters Program	Council on Exceptional Children	April 2008	Continuing accreditation	Monitor assessment and track professional development	Results pending

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends that this item be accepted as information.

2. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION – ANNUAL REPORT ON FACULTY TENURE (INFORMATION ITEM)

In 2001–2002, IHL institutions hired 160 tenure track faculty members. During the 2007–2008 academic year, 115 of the faculty hired in 2001-2002 applied for tenure, of which 92(80%) were awarded tenure and 31(20%) were denied tenure.

Institution	IHL System Tenure-Track Faculty				
	Hired (2001–2002)	Applied for Tenure (2007–2008)	Awarded Tenure	Denied Tenure	Awarded Tenure %
Alcorn State University	6	0	–	–	–
Delta State University	11	4	3	1	75%
Jackson State University	14	14	14	0	100%
Mississippi State University	33	24	23	1	96%
Mississippi University for Women	5	0	–	–	–
Mississippi Valley State University	16	11	8	3	73%
University of Mississippi	25	25	14	11	56%
University of Mississippi Medical Center	17	17	10	7	59%
University of Southern Mississippi	33	20	20	0	100%
Total	160	115	92	23	80%

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends that this item be accepted as information.

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3. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION – ANNUAL REPORT ON POST-TENURE REVIEW (INFORMATION ITEM)

In 2007–2008, 20 faculty members were triggered (based on unsatisfactory annual evaluations) for participation in post tenure review at their respective institutions. Eight of these faculty members participated in a faculty development plan. Of these 8 faculty members, 6 successfully completed a faculty development plan, 5 are currently engaged in various stages of a development plan, and 1 faculty member did not successfully complete the faculty development plan and as a result, was separated from employment at that institution.

Institution/ College or School	Number of Tenured Faculty	Number of Tenured Faculty Triggering Post Tenure Review Process	Maximum Length of Faculty Development Plan (years)	Number of Tenured Faculty in Faculty Development Plan	Number of Tenured Faculty Completing Development Plan		Number of Tenured Faculty Separated from Employment as a Result of the Post Tenure Review Process
					Successfully	Unsuccessfully	
Alcorn State University							
Agriculture, Research, Extension, and Applied Sciences	15	0	<u>Institution wide</u> 1 year	0	0	0	0
Arts and Sciences	30	0		0	0	0	0
Business	8	0		1	0	0	0
Education and Psychology	4	0		0	0	0	0
Nursing	6	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	63	0	-	1	0	0	0
Delta State University							
Arts and Sciences	38	0	<u>Institution wide</u> 3 years	0	0	0	0
Business	12	0		0	0	0	0
Education	11	1		1	0	0	0
Nursing	2	0		0	0	0	0
Library	1	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	64	1	-	1	0	0	0
Jackson State University							
Business	21	0	<u>Institution wide</u> 2 years	0	0	0	0
Education and Human Development	22	1		1	1	0	0
Liberal Arts	43	0		0	0	0	0
Public Service	17	0		0	0	0	0
Science, Engineering & Technology	48	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	151	1	-	1	1	0	0

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Institution/ College or School	Number of Tenured Faculty	Number of Tenured Faculty Triggering Post Tenure Review Process	Maximum Length of Faculty Development Plan (years)	Number of Tenured Faculty in Faculty Development Plan	Number of Tenured Faculty Completing Development Plan		Number of Tenured Faculty Separated from Employment as a Result of the Post Tenure Review Process
					Successfully	Unsuccessfully	
Mississippi State University							
Agriculture and Life Sciences	70	1	Institution wide 3 years	1	1	0	0
Architecture, Art and Design	22	2		0	0	0	0
Arts and Sciences	90	10		2	2	0	0
Business and Industry	58	1		1	0	1	1
Education	43	0		0	0	0	0
Engineering	70	0		0	0	0	0
Forest Resources	33	0		0	0	0	0
Veterinary Medicine	38	2		0	0	0	0
Meridian Campus University Libraries	8 13	0 0		0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Institution Total	445	16		-	4	3	1
Mississippi University for Women							
Arts & Sciences	27	0	Institution wide 3 years	0	0	0	0
Education & Human Sciences	10	0		0	0	0	0
Nursing & Speech Language Pathology	7	0		0	0	0	0
Business	4	0		0	0	0	0
Culinary Arts	0	0		0	0	0	0
Library	2	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	50	0	-	0	0	0	0
Mississippi Valley State University							
Arts and Sciences	26	1	Institution wide 1.5 years	1	1	0	0
Education	5	0		0	0	0	0
Professional Studies	16	0		NA	NA	NA	NA
Institution Total	47	1	-	1	1	0	0

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Institution/ College or School	Number of Tenured Faculty	Number of Tenured Faculty Triggering Post Tenure Review Process	Maximum Length of Faculty Development Plan (years)	Number of Tenured Faculty in Faculty Development Plan	Number of Tenured Faculty Completing Development Plan		Number of Tenured Faculty Separated from Employment as a Result of the Post Tenure Review Process
					Successfully	Unsuccessfully	
University of Mississippi							
Accountancy	8	0	Institution wide 3 year	0	0	0	0
Applied Sciences	18	0		0	0	0	0
Business Administration	30	0		0	0	0	0
Education	19	0		0	0	0	0
Engineering	33	0		0	0	0	0
Law	18	0		0	0	0	0
Liberal Arts	256	0		0	0	0	0
Libraries	15	0		0	0	0	0
Pharmacy	26	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	423	0	-	0	0	0	0
University of Mississippi Medical Center							
Medicine/ Graduate School	217	0	Institution wide 1 year	0	0	0	0
Nursing	13	0		0	0	0	0
Health Related Professions	30	0		0	0	0	0
Dentistry	25	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	285	0	-	0	0	0	0
University of Southern Mississippi							
Arts and Letters	100	0	Institution wide 2 year	0	1	0	0
Business	35	1		0	0	0	0
Education and Psychology	35	0		0	0	0	0
Health	37	0		0	0	0	0
Science and Technology	92	0		0	0	0	0
University Libraries	14	0		0	0	0	0
Institution Total	313	1	-	0	1	0	0
SYSTEM TOTAL	1841	20	-	8	6	1	1

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends that this item be accepted as information.

B. BUDGET, FINANCE, AND AUDIT

UMMC-APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. BMC Software, Inc. - License and Support Agreement

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests approval to enter a five-year contract with BMC Software, Inc. to purchase software that will provide functionality and database recovery for the UMMC campus in the event of a disaster.

The contract is for the period October 20, 2008 to October 19, 2013. The total contract cost is \$1,250,975. The contract will be funded via hospital patient revenue and interest income.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

B. Modular Devices, Inc. - Amendment to Lease Agreement

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests approval to amend its existing lease agreement with Modular Devices, Inc. for a modular catheterization lab. The purpose of the amendment is to extend the agreement period for an additional year to allow for additional renovations on another catheterization lab. UMMC entered into the original six-month lease on June 14, 2008 scheduled to expire December 13, 2008. As the total cost was less than \$250,000, Board approval was not obtained.

The amendment is for the period December 15, 2008 to June 15, 2009 and includes an optional six-month continuation period which will be determined on a month to month basis. The monthly rental fee is \$33,000 with a total cost of \$396,000, including the optional additional six-months. The amendment brings the total contract cost to \$599,000. The contract will be funded via patient revenue.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

C. National Billing Associates, Inc. - Billing Services Agreement

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests approval to enter a three-year contract with National Billing Associates, Inc. to provide billing, claims submission and collection services for the outpatient dialysis unit located at the Jackson Medical Mall. The outpatient unit will serve between 130 to 150 patients.

The contract period is November 1, 2008 to October 31, 2011 and shall automatically renew for successive two (2) year terms unless terminated by either party. The fee is based on four percent of the adjusted gross collections for the contract term. Annual costs are estimated at \$300,000 with a total contract cost estimated at \$900,000. The contract will be funded via patient revenue.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

D. Olympus America, Inc. - Equipment Lease Agreement

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests approval to enter into a three-year contract with Olympus America, Inc. to lease endoscopy equipment for the GI Outpatient facility at Select Special Hospital.

The contract period is November 1, 2008 to October 31, 2011. Fees are based on per procedure cost of \$72.38 and the contract commits UMMC to a minimum of 10,800 procedures overall. The fee also covers service and software costs. The total contract cost is \$781,704. The contract will be funded via patient revenue.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

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C. PERSONNEL

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION REQUESTS

Change of Status

Jackson State University

Mario J. Azevedo, *from* Chair, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics; total salary of \$108,900 per annum; *to* Acting Dean, College of Public Service and Chair, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics; total salary of \$118,900 per annum; E&G funds; effective August 14, 2008 through January 12, 2009

Mississippi State University

William A. Person, *from* Interim Dean of the Graduate School, Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Professor, total annual salary of \$114,996 per annum, pro rata; E & G Funds; *to* Director of Graduate Studies; same salary; effective September 1, 2008

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1. **SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION – APPROVAL OF STAGE I APPLICATION-
DECLARATION OF INTENT/NEED TO ESTABLISH A PROFESSIONAL
NURSING PROGRAM**

In accordance with (a) and (b), Miss. Code Ann., §37-129-1, et seq. (1972), as amended which empowers the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning to establish rules and regulations and promulgate uniform standards for accreditation of schools of nursing- approval is requested for Stage I Application-declaration of intent/need to establish a program of professional nursing for East Mississippi Community College.

East Mississippi Community College has completed the first stage in the process for establishing a registered nursing program. They have submitted a completed application which declares their intent and provides supportive evidence of the need for the program.

This first stage in the process for establishing a registered nursing program requires that a review team of nursing education administrators evaluate the application and make a site visit. Upon completion of this process, the review team is to recommend either approval or disapproval.

A recommendation of approval allows the school to progress to the second stage which is the establishment of the nursing program. Stage II includes the development of the curriculum, the hiring of a program director and faculty, and the acceptance of students for admission.

This recommendation of approval of Stage I means that the review team has determined that EMCC has provided the information required to establish need and show appropriate support for a nursing program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of this item.

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1. ASU-Approval of Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. Sponsorship Agreement

Alcorn State University requests approval to enter into a five-year sponsorship agreement with Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. The purpose of the agreement is to provide the contractor exclusive rights to offer beverages for sale and the associated marketing and merchandising privileges. The term of the contract is October 17, 2008 through October 16, 2013.

Annual sponsorship fees are as follows: Year 1: \$100,000, Year 2: \$40,000, Year 3: \$40,000, Year 4: \$40,000 and Year 5: \$75,000 with the total sponsorship fees for the contract period as \$295,000. ASU will receive a commission of 30% per sale from vending machine sales.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

2. MVSU-Amendment to Food Service Operation Contract

Mississippi Valley State University requests approval for the second amendment to its food service operation contract with Thompson Hospitality, LLC. The original contract was approved by the Board July, 1999 and the first amendment was approved April, 2003. The contract is scheduled to expire June 30, 2014.

The purpose of the second amendment is to extend the contract an additional year, through June 30, 2015. In return, the contractor will invest \$275,000 towards the renovation of the Checkers restaurant located within MVSU's student union. The investment will be amortized on a straight-line basis until expiration of the contract. In addition, effective January 1, 2009, a second meal plan option will be offered to students (14 meals per week with a \$50 flex component).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

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3. UM-Amendment to Food Service Operation Contract

The University of Mississippi requests approval to amend its existing food service operation contract with Aramark Educational Services. The original five-year contract was approved by the Board July 9, 2007. The approved contract period is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012 and includes an option to renew for an additional five-year period upon mutual written agreement of both parties.

The purpose of the amendment is to extend the scope of the contract to include catering and dining services within the Triplett Alumni Center and the recently expanded Inn at Ole Miss. Aramark will make a \$500,000 investment towards the purchase of equipment necessary for food service operations within the Inn at Ole Miss. The equipment will be amortized on a straight-line basis until June 30, 2017 with the end date contingent upon both parties exercising the option to extend the agreement period and Board approval. The University will receive a 7.5% sales commission on all cash net receipts from catering services provided at the Inn at Ole Miss facilities.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General's Office. Board staff recommends approval of this item.

4. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION-Course Redesign

In order to implement the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Committee for the Redesign for Teacher Preparation, financial support will be necessary for each institution for training faculty, collaboration forums, consultant review, technical assistance site visits, development of assessment systems, and other resources. As this initiative falls under the auspices of the Board's Strategic Initiative and the overarching goal of greater quantity and quality of baccalaureate graduates, approval is requested to utilize \$111,000 allocated for Course Redesign for this purpose. The Mississippi Department of Education will also provide some level of financial assistance toward this endeavor; however, the specific amount has not yet been determined.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of this item.

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APPROVAL OF INITIATIONS OF PROJECTS/APPOINTMENTS OF PROFESSIONALS

1. DSU – GS 102-133, New Residence Hall

Delta State University requests permission to initiate a project for the construction of a new residence hall of approximately four hundred (400) beds. Delta State University also requests permission to use the private financing delivery method for this project.

2. DSU – GS 102-135, Faculty Apartments

Delta State University requests permission to initiate a project for the construction of a faculty apartment facility of approximately twenty units and to renovate Cassity Hall, an existing faculty apartment facility. Delta State University also requests permission to use the private financing delivery method for this project.

3. UMMC – IHL 209-512, Elevator Upgrades

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests permission to initiate a project for the upgrades of #5 and #6 elevators which are located in the original school north wing and to appoint Simmons Associates as project professionals. The elevators require revisions to comply with required Elevator Building and Fire Safety Code and ADA Codes. The total project budget is \$590,710. Funds are available from interest income.

4. UMMC – IHL 209-513, Miscellaneous Boiler and Chiller Revisions

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests permission to initiate a project for the replacement of existing Boilers #4 and #5, which are located in the main boiler plant of the university, replacement of the existing Chiller #1 and Cooling Tower #1, and associated equipment and replacement of the existing chiller located at 764 Lakeland Drive Building. Approval is also requested to appoint Eldridge Associates as project professionals. The total project budget is \$3,385,000. Funds are available from service area fees and hospital patient revenue.

5. UMMC – IHL 209-514, Hospital Generator 2008

The University of Mississippi Medical Center requests permission to initiate a project for a new emergency generator for backup power to the hospital equipment and services and to appoint Watkins O’Gwynn Electrical Engineers as project professionals. The total project budget is \$475,000. Funds are available from hospital patient revenue.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of Items 1-5.

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APPROVAL OF BUDGET INCREASES/CHANGE OF SCOPES

6. UM – IHL 207-315, Law School Central Mechanical Plant

The University of Mississippi requests approval to increase the budget from \$4,200,000 to \$4,600,000 for an increase in the amount of \$400,000 and to award a contract to Hooker Construction, Inc., the lower of eight bidders, in the amount of \$3,964,000. Funds are available from private donations and self-generated sources.

7. USM – IHL 208-283, Softball Complex Upgrade

The University of Southern Mississippi requests approval to increase the budget from \$950,000 to \$1,500,000 for an increase in the amount of \$550,000. The increase is required for installation of an elevator for handicap access, a sprinkler system, subsurface conditions and detail designs of the project. Funds are available from self-generated sources and the USM Athletic Foundation.

8. USM – IHL 214-012, Technical Learning Center Replacement, Gulf Park Campus

The University of Southern Mississippi requests approval to increase the budget from \$2,332,187 to \$2,532,187 for an increase in the amount of \$200,000. The increase is required for an increase in scope for reconstruction of the Toy Library that was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Additional funding has been approved by a grant from the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services. Funds are available from hurricane damage insurance and the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of Items 6-8.

APPROVAL OF OTHER REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES REQUESTS

9. MSU – Lease Approval with the Bulldog Club, Inc., 0.82 Acres

Mississippi State University of Agriculture and Applied Science requests approval to lease 0.82 acres of property located in Oktibbeha County, Mississippi to the Bulldog Club, Inc. The purpose of the lease is to create a baseball practice infield. The property is located at the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 19 North, Range 14 East, Oktibbeha County, Mississippi. This lease shall be for a primary term of six (6) months for a rental amount of one dollar (\$1.00) commencing the date the contract is fully executed by both parties and shall be renewed upon written agreement of both parties. All improvements made to and on the premises shall be owned "free and clear" in fee simple by the Lessor not later than, but in no case beyond, the date the lease terminates. Per Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate Management, a copy of the property description and all legal documentation is on file with the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

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10. MSU – Lease Approval with the Bulldog Club, Inc., 1.75 Acres

Mississippi State University of Agriculture and Applied Science requests approval to lease 1.75 acres of property located in Oktibbeha County, Mississippi to the Bulldog Club, Inc. The purpose of the lease is to construct a basketball practice facility. The property is located at the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 2, Township 18 North, Range 14 East, Oktibbeha County, Mississippi. The primary term of this lease shall be for twenty four (24) months for a rental amount of one dollar (\$1.00) commencing the date the contract is fully executed by both parties and shall be renewed upon written agreement of both parties. All improvements made to and on the premises shall be owned “free and clear” in fee simple by the Lessor not later than, but in no case beyond, the date the lease terminates. Per Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate Management, a copy of the property description and all legal documentation is on file with the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

11. MSU Agricultural Science – Lease Approval with the Bulldog Club, Inc., 7.43 Acres

Mississippi State University of Agriculture and Applied Science requests approval to lease 7.43 acres of property located in Oktibbeha County, Mississippi to the Bulldog Club, Inc. The purpose of the lease is to renovate football practice fields. The property is located at the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 19 North, Range 14 East, Oktibbeha County, Mississippi. The primary term of this lease shall be for six (6) months for a rental amount of one dollar (\$1.00) commencing the date the contract is fully executed by both parties and shall be renewed upon written agreement of both parties. All improvements made to and on the premises shall be owned “free and clear” in fee simple by the Lessor not later than, but in no case beyond, the date the lease terminates. Per Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate Management, a copy of the property description and all legal documentation is on file with the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

12. MSU – Lease Approval with Cellular South Real Estate, Inc.

Mississippi State University requests approval to enter into a lease agreement with Cellular South Real Estate, Inc. a Mississippi corporation. This agreement will allow Cellular South to upgrade its existing wireless devices currently installed at Davis Wade Stadium and the Seal M-Club Building. The property and improvements are located at 90 B.S. Hood Drive, Mississippi State University, commonly known as Scott Field and property located at 40 Creelman Street, Mississippi State University at Scott Field commonly known as Thurman Field House/Leo Seal M-Club. The initial term of this lease shall be for five (5) years commencing on September 1, 2008 and renewed for one (1) additional term of five (5) years. The rent for each lease year will be paid in equal monthly installments to be billed on or before the first day of each month. The rent for each lease year shall be as shown below. Per Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate

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Management, a copy of the property description and all legal documentation is on file with the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

<u>Lease Year</u>	<u>Annual Amount</u>	<u>Monthly Amount</u>
1 st	\$67,698.84	\$5,641.57
2 nd	\$70,406.79	\$5,867.23
3 rd	\$73,223.07	\$6,101.92
4 th	\$76,151.99	\$6,346.00
5 th	\$79,198.07	\$6,599.84
6 th	\$82,365.99	\$6,863.83
7 th	\$85,660.63	\$7,138.39
8 th	\$89,087.05	\$7,423.92
9 th	\$92,650.54	\$7,720.88
10 th	\$96,356.56	\$8,029.71

13. MSU - Sale of Property

Mississippi State University requests approval to sell the following property to Cotton Mill Marketplace, LLC: 0.63 acres of land and improvements on Russell and Mill streets that currently houses the MSU Writing and Thinking program; and 11.24 acres of land and improvements commonly referred to as the Cooley Property, which currently houses Facilities Management administration in the J. M. Stone Cotton Mill Building and facilities management shops in the rear of the building. The selling price is \$6,030,000 which is the average of four (4) appraisals (two appraisals per each property). Per Board Policy 905(A) Real Estate Management, a copy of the property description and all legal documents is on file with the Office of Real Estate and Facilities.

14. MUW – Right of Way Easement

Mississippi University for Women requests permission to grant, sell and convey to the United States of America (Tennessee Valley Authority) a right-of-way easement for electrical transmission lines together with the perpetual right of ingress and egress to install, maintain, and replace guy wires and necessary appurtenances outside the right-of-way for the transmission line structure located at survey station 209.+40.30. The property in question lies entirely in the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 18 West, Lowndes County, State of Mississippi. In exchange for this easement, the United States of America (Tennessee Valley Authority) will pay the sum of \$600, which includes an amount for guy rights outside the right-of-way for Tracts COCS-7 and for timber on Tract COCS-3 and 4.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: These documents have been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General’s Office. Board staff recommends approval of Items 9-14.

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**15. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION: Real Estate and Facilities Items Approved
Subsequent to the September 17-18, 2008 Board Meeting (Information Items)**

Delta State University

GS 102-196, Addition and Renovation to Athletic Facilities: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$4,338.62 and requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. This change order is necessary to furnish and install floor tile, acoustical ceiling tile, faucets and drywall furdrown in various areas of the facility. The total project budget is \$555,565. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 102-196, Addition and Renovation to Athletic Facilities: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$9,098.59 with an additional thirty (30) days added to the contract of Jackson Construction of Grenada, Inc. Approval was requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. This change order is necessary to furnish and install benches, helmet cubicles and bat racks at the softball building dug-out and to reroute new duct work at two existing convectors. The total project budget is \$555,565. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 102-213, Interior Finishes: The Board staff approved the award of a contract to Superior Contracting, LLC, the lower of eight (8) bidders, in the amount of \$62,999 (base bid and three add alternates). Approval was requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$84,536.52. Funds are available from HB 246, Laws of 2007; HB 1634, Laws of 2006; and DSU HUD grant.

Jackson State University

GS 103-179, School of Engineering: The Board staff approved Change Order #10 for a credit in the amount of \$196,646.36 and requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$22,671,620.06. Funds are available through SB 1675, Laws of 1999.

GS 103-179, School of Engineering: The Board staff approved Change Order #11 in the amount of \$5,492.40 and requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. This change order is necessary for additional electrical and data requirements at conference room tables and additional GFCI outlets in labs. The total project budget is \$22,671,620.06. Funds are available through SB 1675, Laws of 1999.

GS 103-234, ADA Compliance Phase II-B, (F.D. Hall): The Board staff approved the university's request to advertise for the receipt of bids and requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$4,000,000. Funds are available from HB 246, Laws of 2007.

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Mississippi State University

GS 105-331, Resurface Miscellaneous Parking Lots – Reimbursable: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$42,700 and requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. This change order is necessary to remove unsuitable sub-base soil material to insure the maximum life span of the new pavement and to replace a disintegrated catch basin. The total project budget is \$139,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

GS 113-113, Wise Center Fire Alarm/Security: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$8,969 with an additional forty two (42) days added to the contract of Triplett Electric Company. Approval was requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. This change order is necessary to replace nine flow switches and ten tamper switches in the fire sprinkler system. The total project budget is \$590,000. Funds are available from SB 2010, Laws of 2004, and MSU College of Veterinary Medicine.

GS 113-115, Lloyd Ricks Renovation: The Board staff approved the Contract Documents and the university's request to advertise for the receipt of bids. The Board staff requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$13,378,623.64. Funds are available from SB 2988, Laws of 2003, a HUD Grant, and self-generated sources.

IHL 205-237, AG Parking Lot South: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$39,979. This change order is necessary to replace unsuitable sub-base material for lifetime endurance to the parking lot and to add asphalt and concrete to various areas for extra cost effectiveness to the parking lot. The total project budget is \$1,080,000. Funding is available from self-generated sources.

IHL 213-136, Building 1533 (R&R Stoneville, MS): The Board staff approved Change Order #1 for a credit in the amount of \$77,711.50. This change order is necessary to replace cobblestone with regular concrete, reduce the amount of mortar web and add waterproofing to the existing block wall. The total project budget is \$1,445,000. Funds are available through MAFES self-generated sources.

Mississippi University for Women

IHL 204-118, Fine Arts Building, Storm Damage: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 for fiber optics and a sink to be installed. These change order costs are covered by the remaining contingency from Change Order #1. Funding is available through the FEMA, MEMA and HB 246, Laws of 2007.

Mississippi Valley State University

IHL 206-019, New Men's and Women's Residence Halls: The Board staff approved Change Order #6 in the amount of \$85,971.07 with an additional thirty four (34) days

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added to the contract of Carothers Construction for weather delays. The total project budget is \$12,284,555.80. Funding is available from EBC Revenue Bonds Account Project Contingency.

IHL 206-020, Magnolia Hall Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #10 in the amount of \$31,039.24 with an additional ninety seven (97) days added to the contract of IKBI, Incorporated. This change order is necessary to provide finishes added in Lobby 141 and TV room and to provide modifications to lighting. The total project budget is \$5,207,519.08. Funds are available from EBC Revenue Bonds Account Project Contingency.

University of Mississippi

GS 107-287, Hill Hall Renovations: As per Board Policy 904(B) Board Approval, Mr. Scott Ross, acting as Chair of the Real Estate and Facilities Committee on behalf of the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, approved an increase in budget from \$1,600,000 to \$1,962,907 for an increase in the amount of \$362,907 and the award of a contract to D. Carroll Construction, LLC, the lower of three (3) bidders, in the amount of \$1,508,000 plus alternates 1-4 in the amount of \$173,000. Approval was requested from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The request is necessary to keep the project on schedule and to avoid increases in construction costs. Funds are available from HB 1634, Laws of 2006, and self-generated sources.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

IHL 209-435,C: The Board staff approved Change Order #9 in the amount of \$282,300 with an additional forty-one (41) days to the contract of Flintco, Inc. This change order provides for miscellaneous latent condition items required but not included in the original contract. The total project budget is \$53,500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-495, South Pediatric Renovations II: The Board staff approved Change Order #6 for a credit in the amount of \$2,297. The project budget is \$2,771,750. Funds are available through self-generated sources and donations.

IHL 209-501, School of Dentistry Renovations 2007: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$7,554 with an additional seven (7) days added to the contract of McMillan Pitts Construction Company. This change order is necessary to provide for the removal of asbestos floor tile material in three rooms. The total project budget is \$270,000. Funds are available through self-generated sources.

IHL 209-504, (Contract I), Cath Lab S027 and Pavilion Cath Lab Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1,380.00. The change order is necessary to provide for the removal of a portion of poured concrete foundation wall and concrete filled CMU wall that was realized after the demolition phase was complete. The

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project is developed as two separate bid packages. The project budget for Contract I is \$317,500. The total project budget is \$1,067,239. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-504, (Contract I), Cath Lab S027 and Pavilion Cath Lab Renovations: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$9,323 with an additional twelve (12) days added to the contract of Flagstar Construction Co., Inc. This change order is necessary to provide for construction of an additional smoke wall and the relocation of an existing electrical panel. The project is developed as two separate bid packages. The project budget for Contract I is \$317,500. The total project budget is \$1,067,239. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-504, A, (Contract II), Cath Lab S027 and Pavilion Cath Lab Renovations: The Board staff approved the Design Development documents. The project budget for Contract II is \$543,648. The total project budget is \$1,067,239. The funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-504, A, (Contract II), Cath Lab S027 and Pavilion Cath Lab Renovations: The Board staff approved the Construction Documents and the request to advertise for the receipt of bids. The project budget for Contract II is \$543,648. The total project budget is \$1,067,239. The funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-509, O.R. Endovascular Suite Renovations: The Board staff approved the Design Development documents as submitted by Simmons Associates, AIA, design professionals. The total project budget is \$641,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 209-509, O.R. Endovascular Suite Renovations: The Board staff approved the Contract Documents as submitted by Simmons Associates, AIA design professionals. The Board staff also approved the request to advertise for the receipt of bids for this project. The total project budget is \$641,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

University of Southern Mississippi

GS 108-229, Reed Green Facility Improvements: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$38,435 with an increase of sixty eight (68) days added to the contract of Finlo Construction. This change order is necessary for additions to the scope that include rain delays, starters to existing chiller plant, additional fiber optic cable, installation of a VCT in concourse lobby and the addition of heating water change-over. The Board staff requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$9,198,513. Funds are available from a bond sale of 2006 and SB 2010, Laws of 2004.

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GS 108-230, Polymer Institute Product Processing Unit/Plant: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 for a credit in the amount of \$4,903 with an additional fourteen (14) days added to the contract of Mac's Construction. The Board staff requested approval from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. The total project budget is \$26,800,000. Funds are available from SB 2988, Laws of 2003, a NIST Grant, and self-generated sources.

IHL 208-256, Pete Taylor Field Skybox & Press Box Additions: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$104,579.47. This change order is required to provide for the addition of a concession stand and restrooms for the ball park. The total project budget is \$3,527,851. Funds are available from the USM Athletic Foundation.

IHL 208-258, MM Roberts Stadium Expansion and Renovation: The Board staff approved Change Order #16 in the amount of \$38,428.34. This change order is necessary for the addition of television requirements, lockable millwork in the suites, additional concrete steps and changes to glass doors and plates at the east end of the stadium. The project budget is \$32,171,670.38. Funds are available in the project budget from the USM Athletic Foundation.

IHL 208-267, Dormitory Replacement-Hattiesburg Campus: The Board staff approved the Contract Documents as submitted by Landry & Lewis Architects, PA. The Board staff also approved the request to advertise for the receipt of bids. The total project budget is \$45,000,000. Funds are available from EBC Bonds.

IHL 208-269, Commons Building: The Board staff approved Change Order #2 in the amount of \$15,356 for unforeseen conditions discovered during abatement of the Commons Building. The total project budget is \$500,000. Funds are available from self-generated sources.

IHL 208-283, Softball Complex Upgrade: The Board staff approves the Contract Documents and the university's request to advertise for the receipt of bids. The total project budget is \$950,000. Funds are available from the USM Athletic Foundation and self-generated sources.

IHL 210-236, Marine Environmental Research Laboratory: The Board staff approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$7,939. This change order is necessary for the addition of a gas line to service the facility generator. The total project budget is \$2,442,775. Funds are available through the Katrina Foreign Contributions Award (GRO 2745).

IHL 210-236, Marine Environmental Research Laboratory: The Board staff approved Change Order #4 in the amount of \$4,264. This change order is necessary to upgrade all CAT 5 cables and devices to the current standards of CAT 6. The total project budget is

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\$2,442,775. Funds are available through the Katrina Foreign Contributions Award (GRO 2745).

IHL 214-012, Replace Toy Library: The Board staff approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$761,714.01 with an additional 337 days to the contract of J.O. Collins Contractor, Inc. This change order is necessary as a result of a change in scope facilitated by additional grant money acquired. The total project budget is \$2,332,187.50. Funds are available from the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services.

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1. MSU – APPROVAL TO HIRE OUTSIDE COUNSEL

Mississippi State University requests permission to renew a contract with the firm of Butler Snow O’Mara Stevens & Cannada located at AmSouth Plaza, 17th Floor, 210 East Capitol Street, Jackson, MS 39201, to provide services necessary in the practice areas of intellectual property and commercial matters. This representation does not and is not intended to include any representation by the law firm for or on behalf of the university as bond counsel or in any related role in connection with any financing transaction undertaken by or for the university, including any other matters which may concern advice in connection with indebtedness of the university. The term of the contractual agreement will be for one (1) year, at blended hourly rates (for attorneys) of \$240.00 for intellectual property services, \$230.00 for commercial services, and \$100.00 for legal assistants.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Board staff recommends approval of this item.

2. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION – REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL (INFORMATION ITEMS)

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by David Ware & Associates (Statement dated 8/22/08) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with labor certification.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 1,500.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Phelps Dunbar (Statement dated 8/28/08) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with *Wade v. MS Cooperative Extension Service*.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 180.12

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Adams & Reese (Statement dated 8/27/08) from the funds of the University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with a personnel issue.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 17,044.43

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler, Snow, O’Mara, Stevens & Cannada (Statements dated 8/19/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with General Advice -

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\$7,069.55 and General Representation of the Medical School and Facility Practice Plans - \$3,934.50.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 11,004.05

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Page, Kruger & Holland (Statement dated 8/14/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Bowles* case.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 84.09

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

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stites & Harbison (Statements dated 7/18/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with following patent applications: “DNA Sequence Encoding a Human Imidazoline Receptor and Method for Cloning the Same” - \$519.60; “Inhibition of Metastasis by Cell Penetrating Peptides” - \$206.20; and “Targeted Delivery of Therapeutic Peptides by Thermally Responsive Polymers” - \$120.70.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 846.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Butler, Snow, O’Mara, Stevens & Cannada (Statements dated 5/29/08, 5/29/08, 6/23/08, 6/23/08, 7/14/08, 7/14/08, 7/14/08, 7/14/08, and 7/15/08) from the funds of the University of Mississippi. (These statements represent services and expenses in connection with following patent applications: “Non-Invasive Drainage of Aqueous Humor by Electroporation” - \$3,240.00; “Cache Mapping Technology Matter” - \$731.00; “Cache Mapping Technology Matter” - \$1,140.50; “Negotiations with Triton BioPharma AG” - \$752.50; “Commercialization of Technologies” - \$1,290.00; Non-Invasive Drainage of Aqueous Humor by Electroporation” - \$6,130.00; “Cache Mapping Technology Matter” - \$215.00; “Negotiations with Triton BioPharma AG” - \$107.50; and “Chick Separation-Anxiety-Depression (SAD) Model” - \$42.50.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 13,649.00

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Tetrahydrocannabinol – EPO” - \$315.83; “Method of Preparing Delta-9-Tetrahydrocannabinol Esters – MX” - \$150.00; “Method of Preparing Delta-9-Tetrahydrocannabinol Esters – PL” - \$218.19; “Controlling Toxicity of Quinoline Compounds – CA” - \$1,530.61; “Artemisinin-Based Peroxide Compounds” - \$1,890.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – CA” - \$296.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – SA” - \$61.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Belgium” - \$614.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC - Den.” - \$905.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – FR” - \$545.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Germany” - \$1,902.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Netherlands” - \$799.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Sweden” - \$663.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Switzerland” - \$378.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – UK” - \$586.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Ireland” - \$615.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Italy” - \$1,182.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – Luxembourg” - \$373.00; “Design and Synthesis of Optimized Ligands and PPAR – CA” - \$289.00; “Transmucosal Delivery of Cannabinoids – AU” - \$280.00; “Transmucosal Delivery of Cannabinoids – CA” - \$397.00; “Synthesis of Epothilones and Related Analogs” - \$550.00; “Method of Preparing Delta-9-Tetrahydrocannabinol – EPO” - \$182.15; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – PL” - \$820.00; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – JP” - \$298.49; “Stable Suppository Formulations Effecting Bioavailability of Δ -9-THC – AU” - \$440.00; “Method of Preparing Delta-9-Tetrahydrocannabinol Esters – CZ” - \$909.50; “Method of Preparing Delta-9-Tetrahydrocannabinol Esters – MX” - \$75.20; “Potent Immunostimulatory Extracts from Microalgae” - \$1,100.00; “Anticancer and Antiprotozoal Dihydroartemisinin and Dihydroartemisinin Dimers with Desirable Chemical Functionalities – CA” - \$284.00; “Method of Controlling Toxicity of Aminoquinoline Compounds” - \$1,230.00; “Potent Immunostimulatory Microalgae” - \$1,100.00; “Method of Δ -9-THC – NZ” - \$550.00; “8-Aminoquinolines – IE” - \$7.00; “Nail Fungus Treatment” - \$655.00; “Potent Immunostimulatory Components” - \$1,100.00; and “New Artemisinin Application” - \$1,925.00.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$ 26,993.00