

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING**

March 27, 1995

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi continued in regular session after adjournment on March 26, 1995, at the Board office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:00 p.m., Monday, March 27, 1995. There were present the following members to wit: Ms. Nan McGahey Baker, Mr. Frank Crosthwait, Ms. Ricki Garrett, Mr. Will A. Hickman, Mr. J. Marlin Ivey, Mr. James W. Luvene, Ms. Diane Martin Miller, Mr. J. P. "Jake" Mills, and Mr. Sidney L. Rushing. Board members absent were Mr. William Sterling Crawford, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., and Dr. Cass Pennington. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Diane Miller, President.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On reconvening in Open Session after adjournment on March 26, on motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Ivey, Board members present voted unanimously to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Ms. Garrett, Board members present voted unanimously to go into Executive Session for the reasons later reported by the President in Open Session and stated in these minutes.

The President reopened the meeting and announced that the Board had voted unanimously to go into Executive Session to:

Discuss a personnel matter involving the office of Commissioner of Higher Education.

Receive an update from private legal counsel on the Ayers case.

In Executive Session, **no action was taken by the Board**, which was later reported by the President in Open Session.

On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Ivey, Board members present voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

After returning to Open Session, there being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Ms. Garrett, seconded by Mr. Nicholson, Board members present voted unanimously to adjourn until 10:00 a.m., March 28, 1995.

Persons Attending the Executive Session:

Members of the Board: Ms. Nan McGahey Baker, Mr. Frank Crosthwait, Ms. Ricki Garrett, Mr. Will A. Hickman, Mr. J. Marlin Ivey, Mr. James W. Luvene, Ms. Diane Martin Miller, Mr. J. P. "Jake" Mills, and Mr. Sidney L. Rushing. Board members absent were Mr. William Sterling Crawford, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., and Dr. Cass Pennington.

Persons Attending the Executive Session on the Ayers Case Only:

Board Administrative Staff: Dr. W. Ray Cleere, Commissioner; Dr. Ann Homer Cook, Associate Commissioner/Executive Secretary; Dr. Charles Pickett, Associate Commissioner of Academic Affairs.

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Office of the Attorney General: Mr. Lloyd Arnold, Assistant Attorney General.

Private Defendants' Counsel: Mr. Paul Stephenson, Mr. William Goodman.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Associate Commissioner/Executive Secretary, Board of Trustees of
State Institutions of Higher Learning