

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING  
December 18, 2003**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in regular session at the Board Office in December 18, 2003, Mississippi, at 8:00 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing via electronic mail on November 24, 2003, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this December 18, 2003 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Mr. Roy Klumb, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion by Ms. Garrett, seconded by Ms. Newton, 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 Dr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session** for the reason later reported by the President in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Evaluation of the President of Mississippi University for Women.

Evaluation of the President of The University of Southern Mississippi.

**THE BOARD RECESSED AT 12:15 P.M. FOR LUNCH.**

**THE BOARD RECONVENED AT 1:15 P.M.**

Evaluation of the President of Mississippi Valley State University.

**On motion by Mr. Griffis, seconded by Mr. Klumb, with Mr. Colbert, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Ross, and Ms. Whitten absent and not voting, the Board voted to return to Open Session.**

Evaluation of Dr. Claudia Limbert, President of Mississippi University for Women.

Evaluation of Dr. Shelby Thames, President of The University of Southern Mississippi.

Evaluation of Dr. Lester Newman, President of Mississippi Valley State University.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

*Thomas Colbert*

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President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

*David Potter*

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Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning