

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

March 22, 1994

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a Special Called Meeting at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, on March 22, 1994, at 10:00 a.m., after adjournment from its Regular Meeting on March 17, 1994, and voting unanimously to reconvene on March 22, 1994. At the above named place there were present the following members to wit: Ms. Nan McGahey Baker, Mr. William Sterling Crawford, Mr. Frank Crosthwait, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. James W. Luvenc, Ms. Diane Martin Miller, Mr. J. P. "Jake" Mills, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Dr. Cass Pennington and Mr. Sidney L. Rushing. Mr. Will Hickman and Mr. J. Marlin Ivey were not present. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rushing.

The Board met to continue discussions with private counsel concerning the Ayers case.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board convened from adjournment on March 17 in Open Session at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 22, 1994. On motion by Mr. Crosthwait, , seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed **with Mr. Hickman and Mr. Ivey 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. Crosthwait, seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed **with Mr. Hickman and Mr. Ivey absent and not voting**, the Board voted to go into Executive Session for the reason 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: **Continue update with private counsel concerning the Ayers case.**

In Executive Session, the Board instructed its attorneys to prepare and file updated pleadings with the court in the Ayers case.

On motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Luvenc, and unanimously passed **with Mr. Hickman and Mr. Ivey absent and not voting**, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Crosthwait, seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed with **Mr. Hickman and Mr. Ivey absent and not voting**, the Board voted to adjourn.

Persons attending were:

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

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Board Administrative Staff: Dr. W. Ray Cleere, Commissioner; Dr. Ann Homer Cook, Associate Commissioner and Executive Secretary; Dr. Lucy Lott, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Planning; and Dr. Charles Pickett, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs.

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

Private Counsel: Mr. Bill Goodman, Mr. Paul Stephenson, Watkins and Eager, defendants' private counsel.

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Office of the Governor: Dr. Jeanne Forrester, Governor's Aide for Education; Mr. Greg Hinkebein, Counsel to the Governor.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

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