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

March 20, 1986

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in regular session in Jackson, Mississippi, on Thursday, March 20, 1986, and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on March 7, 1986, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this March 20, 1986.

At the above named place there were present the following members to wit:

The meeting was called to order by President Denton Rogers, Jr., and opened with prayer by Mrs. Williams.

March 19-20, 1986, Board Meeting

The Board met in Jackson for the March 19-20, 1986, meeting rather than on the University of Mississippi campus in Oxford, Mississippi, as scheduled. Members of the Board, the Board’s staff, and institutional executive officers thought it very important to be in Jackson during the crucial period of the Mississippi Legislature's session.

Approval of the February 20, 1986, Minutes

On motion by Mr. Watson, seconded by Dr. Lovelace, the minutes of the February 20, 1986, meeting were approved.

Reports from Institutional Executive Officers

On motion by Mr. Rogers and duly seconded, the Board voted to hear reports from institutional executive officers in open meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 1986.

Report of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee

On motion by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following report of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee was approved:

Mississippi State University:

1. Approve the request of Petroleum Corporation of Mississippi to advertise for an oil, gas, and mineral lease on certain lands in Monroe County.
Report of the Athletics Committee

On motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Lovelace, the following report of the Athletics Committee was approved:

Alcorn State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Walter Washington.

Delta State University:

1. Approve request that special payments of $1,500.00 each be made to Mr. Ed Murphy, Head Coach for Men's Basketball, and Mr. Lloyd Clark, Head Coach for Women's Basketball, for additional duties and responsibilities in connection with the NCAA National Tournament. These payments will be made from self-generated funds.

Mississippi State University:

1. Approve recommendations for athletic personnel as submitted by Dr. Donald W. Zacharias.


3. Approve the request that Mr. Richard Williams be appointed as Head Basketball Coach, effective March 19, 1986, with an annual salary of $45,000.00.

Resolutions:

1. Authorize the appropriate resolution to be written commending the Mississippi Valley State University basketball team for their outstanding performance in the Southwestern Athletic Conference Tournament and for advancing to the NCAA Division I Tournament. (SEE EXHIBIT A.)

2. Authorize the appropriate resolution to be written recognizing the University of Southern Mississippi basketball team for their selection as one of thirty-two teams chosen to play in the National Invitational Tournament and commending the team for placing fourth in the Metropolitan Collegiate Athletic Conference. (SEE EXHIBIT B.)

3. Authorize the appropriate resolution to be written commending Coach M. K. Turk, Head Basketball Coach at the University of Southern Mississippi, for being named Metropolitan Collegiate Athletic Conference Basketball Coach of the Year. (SEE EXHIBIT C.)

Report of the Buildings Committee

On motion by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the following report of the Buildings Committee was approved:

Alcorn State University:

1. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for Change Order Nos. 1 and 2 for GS 101-115, Storage Building and Parking, School of Nursing. Change Order No. 1 adds $589.49 to the contract of Russ Construction Company, Inc., and Change Order No. 2 adds $492.87.

2. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for Change Order No. 3 for GS 101-115, Storage Building and Parking, School of
Nursing. This change order adds $245.44 to the contract of Russ Construction Company, Inc.

Delta State University:

1. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for the contract documents and the advertisement of bids for GS 102-113, Drainage Repairs. Funds are available from Senate Bill 2978, Laws of 1985, in the amount of $175,000.00

2. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for Change Order No. 1 for GS 102-109, Waterproofing and Caulking. This change order adds 23 days to the contract of Conerly Construction Company.

Gulf Coast Research Laboratory:

1. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for the plans and specifications as prepared by Canon Engineering Company and for the advertisement of bids for GS 110-047, 1986 Renovation Program.

Mississippi State University:

1. Ratify the action of the Committee for the Mississippi State University Educational Building Corporation to award the contract for the construction of the new Baseball Stadium to the low bidder, W. C. Yates & Sons of Philadelphia, Mississippi. The low bid was in the amount of $2,712,647.00. The total project budget has been estimated at $3,200,000.00. Funds will be available from the issuance of bonds through the University Educational Building Corporation and other University sources.

2. Approve the request to remove from inventory the following building:

   T-00043 - Hay Storage Building - constructed in 1982 at a cost of $22,300.00.

   The building was completely destroyed by a tornado which struck the Coastal Plain Branch Experiment Station. Nothing remains to be salvaged from this building.

3. Approve the request of Mr. Thomas E. Nelson to connect to the University sewer system for transport to the regional treatment facility. The treatment facility and transport facilities were constructed with federal grants to provide services to the Mississippi State University campus and area development. Mr. Nelson proposes to construct a 100-unit apartment complex to offer housing to Mississippi State University students.

4. Approve the request to award the contract for a storage building at the North Mississippi Experiment Station at Holly Springs to the low bidder Guckert Construction Company of Grenada in the amount of $20,550.00. Funds are available in the MAPPS budget with reimbursement to be made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture upon completion.

5. Approve Change Order No. 1 for Contract C - Chairback Seating, Stadium Seating, Alterations and Additions to Scott Field, adding $1,560.00 to the contract of Magnolia State School Products for 28 additional chairback seats; and Change Order No. 1 for Contract C - Aluminum Plant Seating, Stadium Seating, adding
$1,200.00 to the contract of Magnolia State School Products for increasing the aluminum seating. Funds are available in the contingency fund for these change orders.

6. Approve the request to award the contract for Addition to the Existing Poultry House to the low bidder, Allied Steel Buildings, in the amount of $14,538.00. Funds for this project are in the budget of the Experiment Station.

University of Mississippi:

1. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for the contract documents and the advertisement of bids for GS 107-158, 1986 Fire Alarm Program, Crosby and Kincannon. Funds are available from Senate Bill 2978, Laws of 1983, in the amount of $200,000.00.

2. Approve the request to initiate a project to build a Physics Acoustical Research Laboratory of approximately 65,000 square feet. The preliminary estimate of construction cost is $7,800,000.00. Funds are being sought from the U.S. Department of Defense through the Institute for Technology Development. Also approve the request to enter into a long-term land lease with the Institute for Technology Development for the building site.

3. Approve the contract documents and the advertisement of bids for the Intersection of Fraternity Row and University Avenue. The estimated construction budget is $61,571.40, and funds are available from University sources.

4. Approve the request to name the athletic dormitory in honor of Frank M. "Bruiser" Kinard. Coach Kinard served on the athletic staff from 1948 to 1970 as coach and as Athletic Director from 1971 to 1973. He was the first Mississippian to be named All American in football and to play professional football.

University of Mississippi Medical Center:

1. Approve the contract documents and the request to advertise for bids for the CT Scanner and Gamma X-Ray Renovations. Funds are available from the University Medical Center in the amount of $172,030.00.

2. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for the contract documents for GS 109-125, Power Plant Repairs. Funds are available in the amount of $150,000.00 from Senate Bill 2978, Laws of 1985.

3. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for Change Order No. 1 for GS 109-121, Belhaven Creek Culvert. This change order adds $19,694.15 to the contract of Hemphill Construction Company.

4. Approve the request and request approval of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management for Change Order No. 1 for GS 109-121, Belhaven Creek Culvert. This change order adds 31 days and deducts $14.30 from the contract of Hemphill Construction Company.

University of Southern Mississippi:

1. Approve the request to name the Charcoal Room the Fern Rogers Hesson Charcoal Room. Mrs. Hesson was the first director of this
dining room and served in that position for fifteen years before retiring as Assistant Professor Emerita of Institution Administration.

2. Approve the request to initiate a project with the S. M. Educational Building Corporation for the construction of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity House, cost of construction not to exceed $600,000.00. The University will lease the house to the fraternity. Rentals and fees from the fraternity will repay the loan.

It is also requested that permission be granted to purchase the present Alpha Tau Omega House for $75,000.00. This figure is less than the average of two appraisals obtained by the University. Funds are available from University sources.

3. Approve the request to employ an architect for the restoration of the Administration Building. This building was damaged by fire in January 1986. The restoration will be in keeping with the long-range plans for renovation of the building and will be in compliance with the requirements of the state Department of Archives and History. Funds are available from University sources.

4. Approve the request to construct a building for the storage of theatrical properties, and the request to award a construction contract in the amount of $79,980.00 to the low bidder, Southern Pre-Engineered Builders. Funds are available from University sources.

5. Approve the contract documents and the advertisement of bids for Panhellenic Energy Conservation Project, Air Conditioning Alterations. Funds are available in the amount of $140,838.75 from the University and a Department of Energy Grant.

Report of the Finance Committee

On motion by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the following report of the Finance Committee was approved:

Delta State University:

1. Approve increase in fee charges for summer workshops, clinics, and seminars from $38.00 per semester credit hour, plus $10.00, to $42.00 per semester credit hour, plus $10.00.

Mississippi State University:

1. Approve a revision in categories of expenditure for FY 1986 for on-campus Educational & General. This request is to transfer $150,000.00 from Capital Outlay - Equipment to Contractual Services. Equipment purchases will have to be delayed to cover contractual services that are remaining higher than anticipated.

University of Mississippi:

1. Approve a request for proposals from external audit firms to conduct an audit of the Health Professions Student Loan and Health Professions Exceptional Financial Need Scholarship programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1984.

2. Approve a request to escalate the FY 1986 budget for the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences by $159,800.00. This escalation will be funded by an unanticipated grant from the World Health Organization for malaria research and from the State
Department. This escalation will be budgeted in the amount of $112,000.00 in Commodities and in the amount of $47,800.00 in Equipment.

University of Southern Mississippi:

1. Approve request to add a $5.00 registration fee effective January 1, 1987, and to eliminate the $5.00 drop-add fee. Funds generated by the change will be used to purchase an automated attendant, voice messaging and student registration system. This system will allow students to register for classes from the convenience of their home or work. Equipped with a touch-tone phone and a course catalog, the student calls the voice response system and selects courses. Course selections will be confirmed to the student immediately. The system will also allow students to drop and add courses.

All Institutions:

1. Approve the delegation of authority to the institutional executive officers to request proposals and to award contracts to outside audit firms for required audits in the scholarship and loan funds that are not currently audited by the State Department of Audit. Beginning with the June 30, 1985, financial statements, the State Department of Audit will assume the responsibility.

A copy of all audits performed by external firms should be submitted to the Executive Office of the Board of Trustees.

Executive Office:

1. Approve monthly expenditures as submitted by Dr. E. R. Thrash.

2. Approve expenditures for the Graduate and Professional Degree Scholarship Program.

Report of the Legal Committee

On motion by Mr. Crosthwait, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the following report of the Legal Committee was approved:

Legal Reports:

1. Approve report "Approvals for Payments to be Made to Private Legal Counsel by Institutions."

2. Review report of current litigation.

3. Hear activity report from the Office of the Attorney General, Universities Division.

Report of the Medical Affairs Committee

On motion by Dr. Lovelace, seconded by Mr. Hickman, the following report of the Medical Affairs Committee was approved:

University of Mississippi Medical Center:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. R. Rerald Turner.

2. Approve request to establish the following new positions:

Two Instructors in Medicine (Research), Department of Medicine, School of Medicine, effective April 1, 1986, with twelve-month contracts at $17,000.00 each.
3. Approve requests for foreign travel for Dr. E. David Crawford, Dr. I. K. Ho, Dr. Samuel B. Johnson, Dr. Ronald P. Krueger, Dr. Herbert G. Langford, Dr. John A. Lucas, Dr. Winsor V. Morrison, Dr. M. M. Sharpe, Dr. H. Watanabe, and Dr. Neil S. Whitworth.

Medical Education Loan Program:

1. Approve Meadville and Roxie, Mississippi, as the medical practice locations for Charles Samuel Fillingane, D.O., effective July 1986.

2. Declare Felton E. Combest, M.D., in breach of his contract, effective July 1, 1985. Dr. Combest is practicing medicine in Memphis, Tennessee, which is an ineligible location.

3. Declare Robert E. Bailey, D.O., in breach of his contract, effective April 1, 1986. Dr. Bailey has interrupted his five-year practice obligation to pursue a residency in an ineligible field.

Report of the Research Committee

On motion by Mr. Rushing, seconded by Mr. Watson, the following report of the Research Committee was approved:

Gulf Coast Research Laboratory:

1. Approve request for foreign travel for Dr. Thomas D. McIlwain.

Mississippi Research and Development Center:

1. Approve changes in staffing plan as submitted by Dr. Jim W. Meredith.

Report of the Instruction, Administration, and Policy Committee

On motion by Mr. Bourdeaux, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the following report of the Instruction, Administration, and Policy Committee was approved:

Alcorn State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Walter Washington.

Delta State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Kent Wyatt.

2. Approve request to delete the Bachelor of Science Education degree program in Early Childhood Education (K-3), (CIP 131204), effective with the fall 1986 semester.

Jackson State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. James A. Hefner.

2. Approve requests for foreign travel for Dr. Margaret Hutton and Dr. Prem Nath Bhalla.

Mississippi State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Donald W. Zacharias.
2. Approve sabbatical leave for James Haug and John Connard Schneider.

3. Approve requests for foreign travel for Dr. Vernon D. Ammon, Dr. Marvin S. Bond, Mr. Marco Castro, Dr. James C. Delouche, Dr. Lynn M. Gourley, Dr. Henry N. Pitre, Mr. Carlos Trabanino, Dr. Robert P. Wilson, Dr. Ann E. Wiltrout, Mrs. Debi W. Valentine, Dr. Phil H. Mitchell, and Mr. L. James Levine.

4. Approve request that the following persons be accorded the distinction of being named to emeritus status as follows:
   a. Dr. Jean K. Snyder, Associate Dean Emerita of Agriculture and Home Economics and Professor and Head Emerita of Home Economics, effective with her retirement on September 30, 1985.
   b. Dr. Earl R. Thomas, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, effective with his retirement on July 1, 1985.

Mississippi Valley State University:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Joe L. Boyer.

University of Mississippi:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. R. Gerald Turner.

2. Approve request to establish the following new positions:
   a. Two Instructors in Curriculum and Instruction, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, School of Education, one-fourth time with a one-semester contract at $1,850.00, effective January 1, 1986.
   b. Acting Professor of Law, School of Law, one-fourth time with a one-semester contract at $7,875.00, effective January 1, 1986.

3. Approve requests for foreign travel for Ms. Janice K. Bounds, Dr. Jerry Jordan, Dr. Mickey C. Smith, and Dr. Yam Yee Lee.

University of Southern Mississippi:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas.

2. Approve request to establish the following new positions:
   a. Instructor, Military Science, Department of Military Science, College of Liberal Arts, effective January 29, 1986, with no salary.
   b. Director, Department of Independent Study, effective February 1, 1986, with a twelve-month contract at $13,302.00.

3. Approve request that the historic costume collection be named the Sarah Weaver Gibbs Costume Collection. Dean Emerita Gibbs served as Dean of the School of Home Economics for sixteen years and was the motivating force behind the collection of these historic articles.

4. Approve request for foreign travel for Katherine B. Vasselus.

All Institutions:

1. Authorize the Executive Secretary and Director to communicate with the institutional executive officers the legal advice of
the Attorney General's office concerning the approval by the Board for foreign travel. It is the opinion of the attorneys that there is no requirement for the Board to approve foreign travel by an employee where the travel is taken during personal leave time and is wholly financed by the employee.

Executive Office:

1. Approve personnel recommendations as submitted by Dr. E. E. Thrash.

Academic Programs Rereview:

1. Approve staff recommendations regarding academic program rereview. The recommendations are for 31 programs with less than approval status being upgraded to approval status. (SEE EXHIBIT D.)

Recommendation from Presidents' Council:

1. Adopt the definition of college algebra as approved by the Mississippi Teachers of College Mathematics and the Procedures for Mathematics Requirements for Deferred and Developmental Students as submitted by the Presidents' Council. (SEE EXHIBIT E.)

With no further business, adjournment was ordered.

Executive Secretary and Director

Approved:

President