## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

July 21, 2020

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board met via livestream, on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. for a special called meeting.

Members Present:

June Songy, Chairman

Alan Lange, Vice-Chairman

Mark E. Henderson

J. Keith Van Camp

Thomas A. Wicker

Legislative Advisor Not Present:

Senator Sampson Jackson, II

Staff Members Present:

Craig Orgeron, ITS Executive Director

Michele Blocker, ITS Chief Administrative Officer

David Johnson, Procurement Services Director

Brian Norwood, Telecom Services Director

Holly Savorgnan, Internal Services Director

Debra Brown, Communication Services Director

Steve Patterson, Digital Services Director

Leah Kathryn Anzenberger, Special Assistant Attorney General

Tina Wilkins, Procurement Process Specialist

Michelle Smith, Procurement Process Specialist

Tangela Harrion, Procurement Team Leader

Chris Grimmer, Procurement Team Leader

Justin Faucette, Technology Consultant

Khelli Reed, Technology Consultant

Jay Woodruff, Technology Consultant

Jill Chastant, Technology Consultant

Tina O'Neal, Technology Consultant

Jeanette Crawford, Technology Consultant

Lynn Templeton, Business Relationship Manager

Lori Adams, Planning and Policy Specialist

Lisa Kuyrkendall, Voice Network Manager

Timika Franklin, Project Manager

Erica Cornelius, Systems Specialist

Renée Murray, E-Government Program Lead

Betsy Ward, Security Operations Analyst

Bruce Lightsey, Database Manager

Eddie Harrison, Systems Specialist

Greg Thomas, Systems Specialist

David Richards, Service Center Manager

Mike Lang, zEnterprise Server Systems Manager

Leslie Swilley, Administrative Specialist

Others Present:

Chairman Scott DeLano, Senate Technology Committee

Mark Allen, Department of Human Services

Eric Hollingsworth, C Spire

Chris Salmon, Dell Technologies

June Songy called the meeting to order and asked guests to send an email with name and the entity they represent to meetingminutes@its.ms.gov.

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The Board acknowledged Agenda Item Number 1, regarding the upcoming retirement of Dr. Craig P. Orgeron, effective August 7, 2020, and thanked him for his service.

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The Board discussed Agenda Item Number 2, regarding the upcoming vacant ITS Executive Director position and personnel matters related to filling the position. On motion by Alan Lange and second by Mark Henderson that the ITS Board go into closed session to determine the need for executive session to discuss Agenda Item Number 2:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board convened in closed session.

Members Present:

June Songy, Chairman

Alan Lange, Vice-Chairman

Mark E. Henderson

J. Keith Van Camp

Thomas A. Wicker

Staff Members Present:

Craig Orgeron, ITS Executive Director

David Johnson, Procurement Services Director

Brian Norwood, Telecom Services Director

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Tina Wilkins, Procurement Process Specialist

The Board discussed the need to go into executive session. On motion by Alan Lange and second by Keith Van Camp that the ITS Board convene in executive session for discussion of discrete personnel matters in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated Section 25-41-7(4)(a) and/or (k) related to discussion and approval of an appointment to serve as interim ITS Executive Director:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board reconvened in open session with all present as earlier open session. June Songy announced that during closed session, the ITS Board discussed and voted to convene in executive session to discuss Agenda Item Number 2, in accordance with Mississippi Code 25-41-7 (4a) and/or (4k), allowing an executive session to discuss discrete personnel matters.

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board convened in executive session with same present as in earlier closed session.

During the executive session, the Board discussed personnel matters in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7(4)(a) and/or (k) related to: discussion and approval of an appointment to serve as interim ITS Executive Director.

On motion by Alan Lange and second by Tom Wicker that the ITS Board come out of executive session and reconvene in open session:

Motion carried; unanimously.
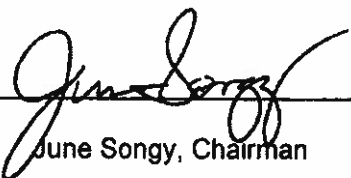
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The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board reconvened in open session with all present as earlier open sessions. June Songy reported the action taken during the Executive Session.
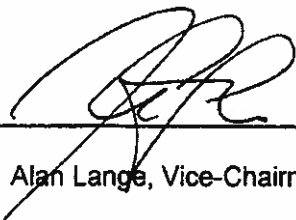
On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Keith Van Camp that the ITS Board approve the appointment of Michele Blocker to serve as the Interim ITS Executive Director effective August 8, 2020, at a salary of $160,000.00 during the interim period until approval, in accordance of Miss. Code Ann. § 25-53-19, is made of a permanent ITS Executive Director after which Michele Blocker will return to her current position and salary as the ITS Chief Administrative Officer:

Motion carried; unanimously.

The Board briefly discussed next steps regarding the vacant ITS Executive Director position.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by June Songy.


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June Songy, Chairman                          Alan Lange, Vice-Chairman