

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

August 19, 2021

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board met via livestream, on Thursday, August 19, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. for the regularly scheduled August monthly meeting.

Members Present:

Keith Van Camp, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Mark Henderson

Thomas A. Wicker

Christa Alexander

Legislative Advisor Present:

Chairman Scott DeLano, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Representative Kent McCarty, MS House of Representatives

Staff Members Present:

David Johnson, Executive Director

Michele Blocker, Chief Administrative Officer

Sheila Kearney, Procurement Services Director

Jay White, Data Services Director

Holly Savorgnan, Internal Services Director

Brian Norwood, Telecom Services Director

Steve Patterson, Digital Services Director

Debra Brown, Communication Services Director

Michelle Smith, Procurement Process Specialist

Tangela Harrion, Procurement Team Leader

Leah Kathryn Anzenberger, Policy Analyst

Renee Murray, E-Government Program Lead

Bill Brinkley, Technology Consultant

Justin Faucette, Technology Consultant

Debbie Parker, Technology Consultant

Jay Woodruff, Technology Consultant

Robert Martinez, Technology Consultant

Khelli Reed, Technology Consultant

Wesley Wright, Technology Consultant

Kimberly Parker, Technology Consultant

Kevin Gray, IT Planning Coordinator

Lori Adams, Planning and Policy Specialist

Katie White, Web and Publications Specialist

Lynn Templeton, Business Relationship Manager

Leslie Swilley, Administrative Specialist

Emily Grace Cole, Human Resources Specialist

Others Present:

Tommy Goodwin, Mississippi Attorney General's Office

Andrea Sanders, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

David Barton, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Mark Smith, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Charlie Case, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Daniel Jordan, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Mohammed Jalaluddin, Mississippi Department of Employment Security

Timothy Rush, Mississippi Department of Employment Security
Guy Martin, Mississippi Department of Employment Security
Walter Hille, Mississippi Department of Employment Security
Diane Hargrove, Mississippi State Department of Health
Dorthy Young, Mississippi State Department of Health
Beryl Polk, Mississippi State Department of Health
Mark Allen, Mississippi Department of Human Services
Jacob Black, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Jennifer Wentworth, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Grant Banks, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Jill Chastant, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Martin Duclos, Mississippi State University
Vince Sanders, Mississippi State University
Camillia Rose, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics
Mickey Yates, Mississippi Department of Revenue
Mark Scutch, Mississippi Secretary of State's Office
Nishanth Rodrigues, University of Mississippi
David Sliman, University of Southern Mississippi
John M. Simpson, Agile Strategies and Solutions, Inc.
Rob McClure, AT&T
Ryan Allen, ConvergeOne
Karl Arndt, CSpire
Scott Ferguson, Ellucian Managed Services
Laura Killebrew, IBM
Drew Levanway, NIC Mississippi
JJ Dunn, NTT DATA

Karen Newman, The Clay Firm

Keith Van Camp called the meeting to order and asked guests to send an email with their name and the entity they represent to meetingminutes@its.ms.gov.

Agenda Item No. 1: Keith Van Camp directed the Board's attention to the first agenda item, approval of the minutes from the ITS Board Meeting on July 15, 2021.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Tom Wicker that the minutes of the meeting on July 15, 2021 be approved as written:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 2: Robert Martinez, Martin Duclos, Deputy Executive Director, NSPARC, and Vince Sanders, Manager of Computing Systems, HPC², presented Project 46593, requesting approval of an exemption for **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU)** to request proposals for the acquisition of a Graphics Processing Unit (GPU) computing system. The staffs of ITS and MSU jointly recommended approval of the exemption request at a total estimated 3-year lifecycle cost of \$1,500,000.00. MSU will solicit proposals in accordance with all statutory requirements for such acquisitions.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Tom Wicker that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3: Robert Martinez, Diane Hargrove, State WIC Director, Dorthy Young, Chief Health Data, Operations, and Research Officer, and Beryl Polk, Health Services Director,

presented Project No. 46456, requesting approval for an increase to the initial exemption request for a WIC Telelactation System for the **MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (MSDH)**. The staffs of ITS and MSDH jointly recommended approval of this \$1,452,894.62 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed estimated 9-year lifecycle cost of \$2,354,366.62.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Tom Wicker that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 4: Kimberly Parker, Jacob Black, Deputy Administrator, and Jennifer Wentworth, Deputy Administrator, Office of Finance presented Project No. 46625, requesting approval for an increase to the initial exemption request for the Medicaid Clinical Data Infrastructure (MCI) for the **MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID (DOM)**. The staffs of ITS and DOM jointly recommended approval of this \$13,000,000.00 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed total estimated 15-year lifecycle cost of \$72,936,824.48.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 5: Justin Faucette, Mohammed Jalaluddin, Chief Technology Officer, Timothy Rush, Deputy Executive Director – COO Reemployment Assistance, and Guy Martin, Deputy Executive Director – CFO, presented the recommendation for Project Number 46637 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with TATA Consultancy Services, Ltd. for support, enhancements, and upgrades to the ReEmployUSA Consortium system for the states of Mississippi, Maine, and Connecticut for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY (MDES)**. The staffs of ITS and MDES jointly recommended approval of the

continuation of and increase to the Agreement with TATA Consultancy Services, LTD., through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$24,000,000.00 for support, enhancements, and upgrades to the ReEmployUSA Consortium system for the states of Mississippi, Maine, and Connecticut. The staffs of ITS and MDES jointly recommended approval of the increase to the Agreement with TATA Consultancy Services, LTD., through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$1,807,117.00 for development and implementation for the state of Connecticut. With these recommendations, the revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$176,158,270.69.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:
Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 6: Wesley Wright, Walter Hille, Chief Systems Information Officer, and Guy Martin, Deputy Executive Director – CFO, presented the recommendation for Project No. 46350-3849 for the continuation of the Agreement with Data Management Associates of Brevard, Inc. for Mainframe Hosting Services for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY (MDES)**. The staffs of ITS and MDES jointly recommended approval of the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Data Management Associates of Brevard, Inc. through September 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$3,829,345.00 for Mainframe Hosting Services. With this continuation, the revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$6,637,190.00.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Tom Wicker that the staff recommendation be approved:
Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 7: Jay Woodruff and Mickey Yates, Chief Information Officer, presented

Project No. 46316-3592/3830, for the continuation of, increase to, and merging of the Agreements with FAST Enterprises, LLC for maintenance and support for the Mississippi Automated Revenue System (MARS) and Mississippi Automated Registration Vehicle Information Network (MARVIN) for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE (DOR)**. The staffs of ITS and DOR jointly recommended approval of the continuation of, increase to, and merging of the Agreements with FAST Enterprises, LLC through September 30, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$42,108,500.00. With this continuation, the combined, revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$127,361,000.00.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:
Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 8: Khelli Reed, Andrea Sanders, Commissioner, David Barton, Principal Deputy Commissioner, Mark Smith, Deputy Commissioner of Administration, and Charlie Case, CCWIS Project Manager, presented the evaluation and recommendation of proposals received in response to RFP No. 4236-43166 for the acquisition of a Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES (MDCPS)**. The staffs of ITS and MDCPS jointly recommended the selection of RedMane Technology LLC as lowest and best Vendor responding to RFP No. 4236-43166 to provide a Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System, at a total 7-year life cycle cost of \$23,863,760.00.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:
Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 9: Renee Murray presented the recommendation for Project No. 46374-3564 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Mississippi Interactive, LLC dba NIC Mississippi for eGovernment applications and services for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (DFA)** and the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)**. The staffs of ITS and DFA jointly recommended approval of the continuation and increase to the Agreement with Mississippi Interactive, LLC dba NIC Mississippi through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$15,615,000.00 for eGovernment applications and services. With this increase, the revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$47,761,555.32.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Christa Alexander that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 10 regarding the Information Confidentiality Officers Report.

The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 11 regarding the summary of equipment, software and services, exemptions and sole source procurements approved by the ITS Executive Director.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Mark Henderson that the ITS Board convene in closed session to determine the need for an executive session to discuss possible litigation:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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

Members Present:

Keith Van Camp, Chair

Mark Henderson

Thomas A. Wicker

Legislative Advisor Present:

Chairman Scott DeLano, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

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Michelle Smith, Procurement Process Specialist

Others Present:

Tommy Goodwin, Mississippi Attorney General's Office

The ITS Board discussed the need to go into executive session to discuss possible litigation.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Mark Henderson that the ITS Board reconvene in open session to vote for the need for executive session:

Motion carried; unanimously.

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board reconvened in open session with the same present as in the initial open session.

Michele Blocker announced that during the closed session, the ITS Board discussed the need to convene in executive session for the following reason: strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation regarding an alleged breach of a procurement contract where an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated Section 25-41-7(4)(b).

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Mark Henderson that the ITS Board convene in executive session to discuss possible litigation in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated Section 25-41-7(4)(b):

Motion carried; unanimously.

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board reconvened in executive session with the same present as in the closed session for discussion of the above stated reason.

The ITS Board discussed the possible litigation.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Mark Henderson that the ITS Board reconvene in open session:

Motion carried; unanimously.

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board reconvened in open session with the same present as in the initial open session.

Keith Van Camp announced that no actions were taken by the ITS Board during executive session and directed the ITS Board's attention back to the agenda.

The Board discussed verification of quorum for next ITS Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 16, 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Keith Van Camp.



Keith Van Camp, Chair



Bill Cook, Vice-Chair