

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

April 16, 2026

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board met in person at 3771 Eastwood Drive, Jackson MS 39211 and via livestream, on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. for the regularly scheduled April monthly meeting.

Members Present:

Christa Alexander, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Thomas A. Wicker

Mark Henderson

Keith Van Camp

Legislative Advisors Present:

Senator Bart Williams, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Legislative Advisors Not Present:

Representative Jill Ford, MS House of Representatives

Staff Members Present:

Craig P. Orgeron, CPM, Ph.D., Executive Director

Holly Savorgnan, Chief Administrative Officer

Jay White, Chief Information Security Officer

Stephanie Hedgepeth, Chief Strategy Officer

Steve Patterson, Chief Technology Officer/Data Services Director

Hailey Tucker, Human Resources Director

Renee Murray, Procurement Services Director
Mark Gibbs, Internal Services Director
Tabatha Baum, General Counsel
Matthew Henry, Associate General Counsel
Nita Caylor, Accounting Manager
Lori Adams, Internal Operations Manager
LaTonya Kirkland, Vendor Contract Management Team Lead
Alec Shedd, Technology Consultant
Debbie Parker, Technology Consultant
Jake Alexander, Technology Consultant
Mikayla Smith, Technology Consultant
Denetta Durr, Technology Consultant
Christopher Gooday, Technology Consultant
Tina Wilkins, Technology Consultant
Debbie Parker, Technology Consultant
David Richards, Services Center Manager
Betsy Ward, Security Operations Manager
David Hood, LAN/Desktop Support Team Leader
Cade Butler, Systems Administrator
Alexis Smith, HR Specialist
Brazil Crocker, Technology Consultant
Matthew Livingston, Technology Consultant
Atrael Porter, Technology Consultant
Brittany Porter, Technology Consultant
Naomi Taylor, Technology Consultant
Khelli Reed, Technology Consultant

David Johnson, Executive Consultant

Michele Blocker, Executive Consultant

Others Present:

Trey Breckenridge, Mississippi State University

Jason Tiffin, Mississippi State University

Vincent Sango, Mississippi State University

Desmond Stewart, Alcorn State University

David J. Sliman, University of Southern Mississippi

Esther Slay, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Grant Banks, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Brad Somers, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Mallory Pullman, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Alex Wilson, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Justin Stepp, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Michael Pantin, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

Torome Porter, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

Latonia Revies, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

Chris Sanders, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

Maureen McDonald, Mississippi Department of Human Services

Denise Wesley, Mississippi Department of Human Services

Jackie Surrell, Mississippi Department of Human Services

Monique Corley, Mississippi Department of Education

Erin Meyer, Mississippi Department of Education

Jennifer Lena, Mississippi Library Commission

Lynn Burris, Mississippi Library Commission

Bethany Stanfill Ricks, BSS Global

Haley Gregory, Butler Snow

Jordan Nohra, CISCO

Kristen Hinton, CISCO

Rob McClure, AT&T

Chris Salmon, Amazon

Eric Hollingsworth, C Spire

Alexia Sykes, Logicalis

Christa Alexander 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: Christa Alexander directed the Board's attention to the first agenda item, approval of the minutes from the ITS Board Meeting on March 19, 2026.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Keith Van Camp that the minutes of the meeting on March 19, 2026, be approved as written:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 2: Christa Alexander directed the Board's attention to the second agenda item, approval of the minutes from the special called ITS Board Meeting on March 31, 2026.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Bill Cook that the minutes of the special called meeting on March 31, 2026, be approved as written:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3: Jake Alexander, Desmond Stewart, Interim CIO for Alcorn State University presented the recommendation for Project No. 49466, requesting approval for an increase to the

exemption request for an enterprise resource planning system for **ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY (ASU)**. The staffs of ITS and ASU jointly recommended the approval of this \$610,740.00 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not to exceed total estimated 7-year lifecycle cost of \$1,603,764.62.

On Motion by Bill Cook and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3.5: Matthew Livingston, Trey Breckenridge, Chief Information Officer, and Vince Sanders, Co-Director, High Performance Computing Collaboratory presented the recommendation for Project No. 49564, requesting approval for an increase to the exemption request for an acquisition of High-Performance Computation and Storage Systems for **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU)**. The staffs of ITS and MSU jointly recommended the approval of this \$9,000,000.00 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not to exceed total estimated 5-year lifecycle cost of \$17,000,000.00.

On motion by Tom Wicker and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 4: Denetta Durr and Justin D. Stepp, Technology & Procurement Consultant, Michael Pantin, Chief Information Officer, presented the recommendation for Project 49533, submitted under the ITS Planned Purchases Procedure for Fiscal Year 2026 by **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES (CPS)**. The staffs of ITS and CPS jointly recommended approval of the planned purchase request to purchase the DocuSign eSignature solution and support from Insight Public Sector, Inc., at a 2-year lifecycle cost of \$2,711,461.68 using the NASPO Software Value-Added Reseller Cooperative.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 5: Christopher Gooday, Torome Porter, Chief Information Officer, Chris Sanders, Chief of Staff, and Latonia Revies, Project Manager, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49563, submitted under the ITS Planned Purchases Procedure for Fiscal Year 2026 by **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (MDEQ)**. The staffs of ITS and MDEQ jointly recommended approval of the planned purchase request to purchase IT consulting services to design and implement an integrated records management solution through Strategic Communications, Inc., at a total not-to-exceed 2-year lifecycle cost of \$631,119.60 using the Cloud Solutions Preferred Vendor (CSPV) Pilot.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 6: Jake Alexander, Brad Somers, Executive Director of Pharmacy Services, and Mallory Pullman Managing Director for Mississippi Poison Control, presented Project No. 4729-49238, requesting approval for the sole source acquisition of Micromedex subscriptions from Merative US L.P. for the **UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER (UMMC)**. The staffs of ITS and UMMC jointly recommend Merative US L.P. as the sole-source provider of Micromedex subscription, at a total 3-year lifecycle cost of \$618,893.02. With this approval, the revised total lifecycle cost of this project is \$2,530,091.34.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 7: Mikayla Smith, Esther Slay, Director of DIS Operations, and Alex Wilson, Director of IT Service Delivery, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49452 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Toshiba Business Solutions for a managed document solution for the **UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER (UMMC)**. The staffs of ITS and UMMC jointly recommended approval of the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Toshiba Business Solutions through August 9, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$7,470,560.00 for a managed document solution. With this continuation, the revised total not-to-exceed 15-year lifecycle cost of this project is \$21,668,061.44.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 8: Denetta Durr, Trey Breckenridge (CIO), and Jason Tiffin (Deputy CIO) presented the recommendation for RFP 3692-49485 for the continuation of the Agreement with Instructure, Inc. for the Canvas/Studio Cloud platform for **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU)**. The staffs of ITS and MSU jointly recommended approval of the continuation of this Agreement with Instructure, Inc. through June 30, 2029, in an amount not to exceed \$1,534,985.54. With this continuation, the revised total life-cycle cost of this project is \$4,388,738.93.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 9: Denetta Durr and Jennifer Lena, Executive Director, Matt Smith, Technology Services Director, Lynn Burris, Financial Services presented the recommendation for

RFP 3387-49504 for the continuation of the Agreement with Auto-Graphics, Inc. for the Auto-Graphics SHAREit system for statewide resource sharing support for **MISSISSIPPI LIBRARY COMMISSION (MLC)**. The staffs of ITS and MLC jointly recommend approval of the continuation of this Agreement with Auto-Graphics, Inc., through July 31, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$824,319.00. With this continuation, the revised total life-cycle cost of this project is \$3,357,515.00.

On motion by Mark Henderson and second by Bill Cook that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 10: Jake Alexander, Maureen McDonald, Deputy Executive Director – Human Capital and Technology Executive Services, and Denise Wesley, Division Director, Child Support Enforcement, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49393, for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Informatix, Inc. for Parent Locate and Financial Institution Data Match (FIDM) services for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (MDHS)**. The staffs of ITS and MDHS jointly recommended approval of the continuation of and increase to this Agreement with Informatix, Inc. through June 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,323,479.56 for Parent Locate and Financial Institution Data Match (FIDM) services. With this continuation, the revised total not-to-exceed 6-year lifecycle cost of this project is \$6,418,671.64.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Tom Wicker that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 10.5: Consideration of the Request for Review by Cambium Assessment Inc. of the ITS Executive Director’s Decision regarding the Protest by Cambium of the Award of

Contract for RFP No. 4642.

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Tom Wicker that the Board go into closed session for purposes of determining whether it needed to go to Executive Session:

Motion carried; unanimously

The Board convened in closed session.

Members Present:

Christa Alexander, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Thomas A. Wicker

Mark Henderson

Keith Van Camp

Legislative Advisors Present:

Senator Bart Williams, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Staff Members Present:

Craig P. Orgeron, CPM, Ph.D., Executive Director

Holly Savorgnan, Chief Administrative Officer

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Renee Murray, Procurement Services Director

Tabatha Baum, General Counsel

Matthew Henry, Associate General Counsel

The ITS Board discussed the need to go into executive session to discuss prospective litigation and personnel matters.

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Tom Wicker that the Board reconvene in open session to vote to convene in executive session. Motion carried; unanimously

The Board re-convened in open session.

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Tom Wicker that the Board convene in executive session for purposes of discussing Agenda Item 10.5, in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4) (b), allowing an executive session in matters involving prospective litigation, and additionally, a separate matter, in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4) (a) & (k), for discussion of personnel matters relating to job performance of a person holding a specific position at ITS:

Motion carried; unanimously

The Board convened in executive session for the above-mentioned reasons, first discussing the matter involving prospective litigation.

Members Present:

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Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Thomas A. Wicker

Mark Henderson

Keith Van Camp

Legislative Advisors Present:

Senator Bart Williams, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Staff Members Present:

Craig P. Orgeron, CPM, Ph.D., Executive Director

Holly Savorgnan, Chief Administrative Officer

Hailey Tucker, Human Resources Director

Renee Murray, Procurement Services Director

Tabatha Baum, General Counsel

Matthew Henry, Associate General Counsel

The Board, while in executive session, secondly discussed a personnel matter.

Members Present:

Christa Alexander, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Thomas A. Wicker

Mark Henderson

Keith Van Camp

Legislative Advisors Present:

Senator Bart Williams, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Staff Members Present:

Hailey Tucker, Human Resources Director

Michele Blocker, Human Resources

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Tom Wicker that the Board reconvene in open session.

Motion carried; unanimously

The Board reconvened in open session.

Christa Alexander reported that no actions were made in executive session beyond the unanimous vote to return to open session.

Regarding Agenda Item 10.5, on motion by Tom Wicker and second by Bill Cook that the Board uphold the decision of the ITS Executive Director regarding the protest by Cambium of the award of contract for RFP No. 4642.

Motion carried; unanimously.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second Bill Cook that the Board increase the ITS Executive Director's, Dr. Craig Orgeron's, salary to \$200,000.00 to be effective on June 1, 2026:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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.

The Board discussed verification of quorum for the next ITS Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2026.

There being no further business, on a motion by Keith Van Camp and a second by Bill Cook the meeting was adjourned.

Christa Alexander, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair