

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

February 19 2026

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board met via livestream, on Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. for the regularly scheduled February monthly meeting.

Members Present:

Christa Alexander, Chair

Bill Cook, Vice-Chair

Thomas A. Wicker

Keith Van Camp

Members Not Present:

Mark Henderson

Legislative Advisors Not Present:

Senator Bart Williams, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

Representative Jill Ford, MS House of Representatives

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Staff Members Present:

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

Jay White, Chief Information Security Officer

Holly Savorgnan, Chief Administrative Officer

Stephanie Hedgepeth, Chief Strategy Officer

Steve Patterson, Data Services Director  
Lisa Kuyrkendall, Telecom 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  
Michelle Walker, Procurement Processes Manager  
Alec Shedd, Procurement Projects Manager  
Jake Alexander, Technology Consultant  
Mikayla Smith, Technology Consultant  
Matthew Livingston, Technology Consultant  
Roshunda Ware, Technology Consultant  
Pam Sinclair, Planning and BRM Manager  
Lori Adams, Internal Operations Manager  
Debbie Parker, Technology Consultant  
Richard Crout, Public Cloud Manager  
David Richards, Service Center Manager  
David Ashley, Security Policy Analyst  
Leslie Swilley, Administrative Specialist

Others Present:

Walter Hille, Mississippi Department of Employment Security  
Susan Smith Patterson, Mississippi Department of Employment Security  
Tyler Berch, Mississippi Department of Employment Security

Thomas Edwards, Mississippi Department of Employment Security  
Mark Allen, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Cheryl Joiner, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Jackie Surrell, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Chase Callaway, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Tim Watson, Mississippi Department of Public Safety  
John Morris, Mississippi Insurance Department  
Kim Causey, Mississippi Insurance Department  
Trey Breckenridge, Mississippi State University  
Carla Lowery, Mississippi University for Women  
Aaron Brooks, Mississippi University for Women  
David Sliman, University of Southern Mississippi  
Chris Salmon, Amazon Web Services  
Rob McClure, AT&T  
Bethany Stanfill Ricks, BSS Global  
Caroline Hutson, BSS Global  
Eric Hollingsworth, C Spire Business Solutions  
Chris Keller, Genesys Cloud Services  
Jennifer Miles, Mainline Information Systems, LLC  
Dylan Lee, SailPoint  
Tina Wells, Tyler Technologies

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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](mailto:meetingminutes@its.ms.gov).

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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 January 15, 2026.

On motion by Bill Cook and second by Keith Van Camp that the minutes of the meeting on January 15, 2026, be approved as written:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 2: Jake Alexander and Tim Watson, Chief Information Officer, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49390, submitted under the ITS Planned Purchase Procedure by the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (MDPS)**. The staffs of ITS and MDPS jointly recommended the approval of the planned purchase request to purchase Microsoft EA Licenses from SHI at a total 3-year life cycle cost of \$3,342,927.27 using the NASPO SVAR.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Christa Alexander directed the Board's attention to hear Agenda Item No. 3 out of order of the published Agenda, before hearing Agenda Item No. 2.5.

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Agenda Item No. 3: Jake Alexander and Walter Hille, Chief Systems Information Officer, presented the recommendation for Project Number 49129-3849 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Data Management Associates of Brevard, Inc for mainframe hosting services and environment upgrade 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, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$4,608,200.00 for mainframe hosting services and environment upgrade. With this increase, the revised total not-to-exceed 14-year life cycle cost of this project is \$11,245,390.00.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 2.5: Matthew Livingston and Steve Patterson, Data Services Director, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49488, submitted under the ITS Planned Purchase Procedure by the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)**. The staff of ITS recommended the approval of the planned purchase request to purchase Broadcom/CA software from CDW Government LLC (CDW-G) at a total 5-year life cycle cost of \$2,994,363.25 using the NASPO SVAR.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 3.5: Jake Alexander, Carla Lowery, VP of Operations, and Aaron Brooks, Director of Information Systems, presented the recommendation for Project Number 49298-3692 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Instructure Inc. for the Canvas Learning Management System for **MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY OF WOMEN (MUW)**. The staffs of ITS and MUW jointly recommended approval of the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Instructure Inc. through August 17, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$89,176.46 for Canvas

Learning Management System. With this increase, the revised total not-to-exceed 12-year life cycle cost of this project is \$1,069,057.30.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 4: Mikayla Smith, Mark Allen, Chief Information Officer, and Cheryl Joiner, MIS Consultant, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49398 for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with MigrationWare Limited for MigrationWare software and 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 the Agreement with MigrationWare Limited through April 30, 2028, in an amount not to exceed \$349,309.06 for MigrationWare software and services. With this continuation, the revised total 11-year lifecycle cost of this project is \$1,208,932.37.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 5: Roshunda Ware, John Morris, IT Director, and Kim Causey, Chief of Staff and General Counsel, presented the recommendation for Project No. 49427 requesting approval to negotiate and execute a contract in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-53-5(n) to provide a Web-Based Licensing System for the **MISSISSIPPI INSURANCE DEPARTMENT (MID)**. The staffs of ITS and MID jointly recommended approval to negotiate and execute a contract in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-53-5(n). Because the award includes electronic payment

processing services, this award will be pending the awarded vendor's agreement to conform to the Mississippi Department Of Finance And Administration's (DFA) Administrative Rule for Payment By Credit Card, Charge Card, Debit Cards Or Other Forms Of Electronic Payment of Amounts Owed To State Agencies or DFA's approval of an alternate payment process as described in the Administrative Rule.

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

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The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 6 regarding the ITS Information Confidentiality Officer Report.

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The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 7 regarding the summary of equipment, software and services, exemptions and sole source procurements approved by the ITS Executive Director.

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The Board discussed verification of quorum for the next virtual ITS Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2026.

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There being no further business, Christa Alexander adjourned the meeting.

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Christa Alexander, Chair

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Bill Cook, Vice-Chair