

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

April 18, 2024

The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services Board met via livestream, on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. for the regularly scheduled April monthly meeting.

#### Members Present:

Thomas A. Wicker, Vice-Chair

Keith Van Camp

Christa Alexander

#### Members Not Present:

Mark Henderson, Chair

Bill Cook

#### Legislative Advisor Present:

Chairman Scott DeLano, Technology Committee, MS State Senate

#### Legislative Advisor Not Present:

Representative Kent McCarty, MS House of Representatives

#### Staff Members Present:

David Johnson, Executive Director

Stephanie Hedgepeth, Chief Administrative Officer

Jay White, Chief Information Security Officer

Brian Norwood, Chief Operations Officer

Rebecca Henley, Procurement Services Director

Lisa Kuyrkendall, Telecommunication Services Director

Steve Patterson, Data Services Director

Holly Savorgnan, Internal Services Director

Hailey Tucker, Human Resources Director

Tabatha Baum, General Counsel

Michelle Walker, Procurement Process Specialist

Renee Murray, E-Government Program Lead

Alec Shedd, Technology Consultant

Vershonda Grindle, Technology Consultant

Robert Martinez, Technology Consultant

Debbie Parker, Technology Consultant

Evan Thiemann, Technology Consultant

Matthew Livingston, Technology Consultant

Jasmine Grice, Technology Consultant

LaTonya Kirkland, Technology Consultant

Kevin Gray, IT Planning Coordinator

David Richards, Service Center Manager

Besty Ward, Security Operations Manager

Lori Adams, Accounting Specialist

Leslie Swilley, Administrative Specialist

Others Present:

David J. Sliman, University of Southern Mississippi

William Breckenridge III, Mississippi State University

Tom Ritter, Mississippi State University

Daniel Hale, Mississippi State University

Mark Allen, Mississippi Department of Human Services

Denise Wesley, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Natalie McSwain, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Michael Herndon, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Jackie Surrell, Mississippi Department of Human Services  
Dorthy Young, Mississippi State Department of Health  
Melissa Parker, Mississippi State Department of Health  
Chamath Wijewardena, Mississippi Division of Medicaid  
Brad Estess, Mississippi Division of Medicaid  
Jeanette Crawford, Mississippi Division of Medicaid  
Preston L. Pierce, Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration  
Sheila Kearney, University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Grant Banks, University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Brad Somers, University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Al Faulk, University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Kevin Yearick, University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Bethany Stanfill, BSS Global  
Karen Newman, The Clay Firm  
Jordan Nohra, Cisco  
Rob McClure, AT&T  
Alexia Sykes, Logicalis  
Justin Hampton, Strategic Communications  
Dylan Lee, SailPoint Technologies Inc  
Lesli Leakey, Vertafore  
Javier DeRossette, Microsoft

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Tom Wicker 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: Tom Wicker directed the Board's attention to the first agenda item, approval of the minutes from the ITS Board Meeting on March 21, 2024.

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Keith Van Camp that the minutes of the meeting on March 21, 2024, be approved as written:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 2: Vershonda Grindle, Tom Ritter, Chief Information Security Officer, and Daniel Hale, Director of Fiscal Operations, presented Project No. 48155, requesting approval for an increase to the initial exemption request for Electronic Health Record and Practice Management Software for **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU)**. The staffs of ITS and MSU jointly recommended approval of this \$276,288.00 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed total estimated 9-year lifecycle cost of \$1,175,534.00.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Christa Alexander that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 3: Robert Martinez, Brad Somers, Executive Director of Pharmacy Services, and Al Faulk, Applications Officer, presented Project No. 48169, requesting approval for an increase to the initial exemption request for Specialty Pharmacy Customer Relations Module software for the **UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER (UMMC)**. The staff of UMMC recommended approval of this \$898,373.16 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed total estimated 9-year lifecycle cost of \$1,848,373.16.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Christa Alexander that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 4: Debbie Parker, Alfred Faulk, Applications Officer, and Kevin Yearick, CIO, presented Project 48209, for an increase to the initial exemption request for the Enterprise Health Care Information (EPIC) system for the **UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER (UMMC)**. The staff of UMMC recommended the approval of this \$58,292,645.00 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed total estimated 20-year lifecycle cost of \$163,309,378.00.

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. 5: Debbie Parker, Dr. Dorthy K. Young, Chief Health Data, Operations, and Research Officer, and Melissa Parker, Assistant Senior Deputy, presented Project No. 46243, requesting approval for an increase to the initial exemption request for ImageTrend for the **MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (MSDH)**. The staffs of ITS and MSDH jointly recommended approval of this \$1,569,480.57 increase to the original exemption request, for a revised not-to-exceed total estimated lifecycle cost of \$3,891,766.23.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Christa Alexander that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 5.5: Evan Thiemann and Stephanie Hedgepeth, Chief Administrative Officer, presented an overview and request to issue Solicitation No. 48296 for the acquisition of a Cloud Solutions Distribution Partner for the **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)**. The staff of ITS requested approval to solicit proposals from the pre-awarded XaaS Contractors in the NASPO ValuePoint Cloud Solutions portfolio for the acquisition of a Cloud Solutions Distribution Partner.

On motion by Keith Van Camp and second by Christa Alexander that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 6: Matthew Livingston, Mark Allen, Chief Information Officer, Denise Wesley, Director, Division of Child Support Enforcement, Natalie McSwain, Deputy Director, Division of Child Support Enforcement, and Michael Herndon, Interstate Data Exchange Consortium Director, presented the recommendation for Project No. 48153-4343 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, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$2,790,365.76 for Parent Locate and Financial Institution Data Match (FIDM) services. With this continuation, the revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$5,225,850.72.

On motion by Christa Alexander and second by Keith Van Camp that the staff recommendation be approved:

Motion carried; unanimously.

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Agenda Item No. 7: Debbie Parker, Chamath Wijewardane, Chief Information Officer, and Brad Estess, Deputy Administrator for iTech, presented the recommendation for Project No. 48243-4347, for the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Dell Marketing, L.P. for Microsoft Unified Support Services for the **MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID (DOM)**. The staffs of ITS and DOM jointly recommended approval of the continuation of and increase to the Agreement with Dell Marketing, L.P. through May 18, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,379,135.00. With this continuation, the revised total not-to-exceed lifecycle cost of this project is \$3,239,041.00.

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

Motion carried; unanimously.

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The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 8 regarding the ITS Information Confidentiality Officer Report.

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The Board acknowledged Agenda Item No. 9 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 next ITS Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 16, 2024.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Tom Wicker.

  
Mark Henderson [May 16, 2024 14:18 CDT]

Mark Henderson, Chair



Tom Wicker, Vice-Chair