

## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF THE HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

The Board of Trustees of the Hinds Community College District met at 1:00 p.m., October 1, 2025, on the Vicksburg Campus. The following members were present:

Mr. Jimmy Morton, President, in-person  
Dr. Kevin Abraham, Vice President, in-person  
Mr. Rickey Clopton, in-person  
Mr. Jeff Brunson in-person  
Dr. Homer Burns in-person  
Mr. Mark Buys in-person  
Mrs. Jackie Granberry in-person  
Dr. Bendalonne Thompson-Griffith in-person  
Dr. Sandra Nash-via Zoom  
Ms. Jamie Rasberry- in-person  
Mr. Shane Sanders in-person  
Mrs. Dana Stringer- via Zoom  
Mr. Larry Swales in-person  
Dr. Cardell Williams in-person  
Mr. Calvin Williams in-person  
Mr. Johnny Young via Zoom

Others present were Dr. Stephen Vacik, President of Hinds Community College; John Hooks, Board Attorney; Bill Campbell, District Project Architect; members of the Executive Leadership Team: Dr. Vic Parker, Vice President of Finance; Andrea Janoush, Vice President of Human Resources; Marvin Moak, Vice President of Auxiliary Services & Facilities Management; Jonathan Townes, Vice President of Career and Technical, Sponsored Grants and HBCU Initiatives; Dr. Ginger Robbins, Executive Director of Governmental Affairs; Renee Cotton, Chief of Staff; Dr. Jennifer Scott-Gilmore, Vice President of Instruction & Academic Transfer Programs; Dr. Thomas Ware, Vice President of Instruction & Academic Transfer Programs; and Matt Jones, Vice President of Advancement. Also, in attendance was Mr. Donald Oakes.

### **Call to Order**

Board President Mr. Jimmy Morton called the meeting to order and opened in prayer.

### **Approve Agenda**

**Upon motion by Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Buys, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda for this meeting.** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

**Approve September 1, 2025, Minutes.**

Board President Mr. Jimmy Morton requested that the board approve the minutes with one correction. Mr. Johnny Young attended the September meeting in person.

**Upon motion by Mr. Clopton, seconded by Dr. Williams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the September 1, 2025, minutes with the requested edit.** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Property Recommended Surplus to the Needs of the College
- b. Approve Bid #3311-Dental Laboratory Furniture and Equipment- Henry Schein, Inc., \$ 365,000.00
- c. Approve Bid #3312-Ceiling Mounted Digital Imaging System- Mid-South Medical Imaging, LCC, \$ 250,000.00

**Upon motion by Mr. Swales, seconded by Dr. Williams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

**Matters of Special Order**

- a. Conflict of Interest- *Action Required*

The Board discussed an amended Conflict of Interest by-law and recommended several revisions. **Upon motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mrs. Granberry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the revised amended Conflict of Interest by-law.** The revised amended by-law will be presented for a second vote at the November 5, 2025 Board meeting, consistent with the By-laws.

- b. Policy Change- 10.29 (HB1193)- *Action Required*

**Upon motion by Mr. Brunson, seconded by Mr. Swales, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Policy Change 10.29(HB1193).** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

### **Budget Summary**

The Board President, Mr. Jimmy Morton, called on Dr. Parker to present the Budget Summary update. Dr. Parker reported that the college is projected to spend 8.33% monthly. Hinds Community College should be at 75.00% after the month of September. The college currently has 74.14% available. Current Net Position -0.86% = \$782,600, exceeding average monthly projected rate.

### **Approve Claims Docket**

The ending balance at the end of September 2025 is \$11,454,649.78 in cash. The ending balance in the money market is \$500,000, and \$8,183,074.20 is in the Raymond James investment account. The total net position is \$20,137,723.98.

The monthly expenses for September 2025 totaled \$5,549,097. The Fund 1 Unrestricted Funds expense total is \$851,026; Fund 2, Grants/Partnerships expense total is \$638,306; Fund 3, Auxiliaries expense total is \$1,022,898; and Fund 7, Capital Improvement expense total is \$3,036,867.

**Following discussion of the Claims Docket and upon motion by Mr. Swales, seconded by Dr. Burns, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Claims Docket.** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

### **Recommend Personnel**

The College President brought one (1) new faculty member before the Board for approval.

- a. Arryn Peterson, Animation & Simulation Design Instructor, Rankin Campus, Salary-\$45,000, effective date of employment September 3, 2025, replacing Jacob Schmetzer.

**Upon motion by Mr. Clopton seconded by Mr. Brunson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommended personnel.** A copy is on file and included in the minutes of the meeting.

## **President's Report**

### **I. Project Updates**

- a. I2PA Program Graduation-We had over 1300 students apply for the 22 slots of this apprenticeship training. We recently had 20 finish the program and graduate.
- b. Capital Campaign/JF Smith Group- We are in the planning stages of the campaign and plan to begin mid-summer of 2026.
- c. Fall Campus Conversations are going great.
- d. Employee Appreciation Events- This Fall, our enrollment was 9,600. In an effort to show our appreciation, we have planned some fun events, including the summer ice cream social, Thirsty Thursday in September, the Nacho party in October, Freedom Friday in November, and the Christmas Party in December.
- e. Rankin First Committee of 100- Data Warehouse project going into Rankin County. We are excited to be involved in the training.

### **II. Key Accomplishments**

- a. MDA Foreign Journalists- Mississippi Housing Authority brought in a group of Foreign Business Journalists from Denmark, Singapore, and Dubai for us to share with them about our workforce development program.
- b. Apprenticeship Signing -Continental Tire & Stribling Empire
- c. SuperTalk Radio Interview
- d. SWIB Board Executive Meeting -We are excited about the Talent Solution center that will be housed at the Vicksburg and Jackson campuses and potentially at additional campuses.

### **III. Upcoming Opportunities**

- a. October 16 – Alumni Recognition; 4:30 – Cain Cochran
- b. October 16 – Homecoming Football vs. Southwest; 7:00 pm
- c. October 24 – Hinds CARES about Hinds Day
- d. October 30 – Vicksburg Scholarship Reception; 2:00 pm
- e. October 30 – Last Home Game vs. Mississippi Gulf Coast – Pink Out

Men's Soccer is ranked No. 10 in the Nation.

Women's Soccer is doing well, also.

Football is 4-1 and No. 9 in the country.

### **Executive Leadership Team Reports**

Executive Leadership Team Board Reports are included.

### **Board Education**

Dr. Vic Parker shared information about Funding sources for the College.

### **Announcements**

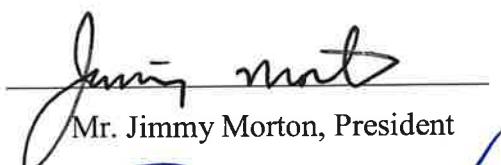
We will have a meeting in January.

The November meeting will be on the Raymond Campus.

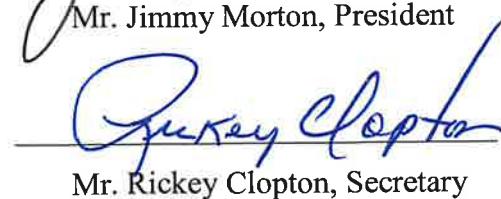
### **Adjournment**

There was no other business for discussion, and the meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

**Upon motion by Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Buys, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 2:26 p.m. as declared by Board President Mr. Morton.**



Mr. Jimmy Morton, President



Mr. Rickey Clopton, Secretary