SLDS GOVERNING BOARD
Teleconference Meeting

MINUTES
April 10, 2017

In Attendance:

Mr. Mark Henry, Board Vice Chair, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Employment Security
Mr. Glenn McCullough, Executive Director, Mississippi Development Authority
Dr. Mary Currier, State Health Officer, Mississippi State Department of Health
Ms. Audrey McAfee, Management Information Systems Director, Mississippi Department of Corrections
Mr. John Davis, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Human Services
Dr. Andrea Mayfield, Executive Director, Mississippi Community College Board
Dr. Glenn Boyce, Commissioner, Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning
Dr. Billy Stewart, President, East Central Community College

Call to Order: Co-Chair Henry called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Dr. Steven Grice updated the board on what NSPARC, the state data clearinghouse, has been working on since the last SLDS Governing Board meeting. He said 10 ad-hoc research report have been processed and two are underway. Approximately 20 workforce-analysis standing reports for MDA and local developers have been completed. For individual community colleges and the Community College Board, report cards have been completed. For universities, employment outcomes of graduates have been examined. Federal reporting has been completed for MDE and community colleges. The clearinghouse has also assisted MDES, MDHS, community colleges, and MDRS with PEER requests for information.

Dr. Grice added that the SLDS is the data clearinghouse for the state Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act system. Additionally, all online reports have been updated for MDE, community colleges, and IHL and will be available online once the review process is complete.

Vice Chair Henry said the board needs to elect a chair since former Chair Jay Moon resigned. Vice Chair Henry opened the floor for nominations. Dr. Mayfield nominated Henry to be chair. Mr. McCullough seconded the nomination. Vice Chair Henry asked for other nominations. Dr. Boyce motioned to close nominations and make Henry the chair. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Chair Henry asked Dr. Grice to discuss a federal visit to NSPARC. Dr. Grice said Mississippi received an early learning SLDS grant from the U.S. Department of Education. He said one of the takeaways from the federal visit about this grant is that the chief federal officer couldn’t be more pleased that Mississippi was the recipient of the grant. He said this visit helped cement the state’s reputation for being a leader in state longitudinal data systems.

Mr. McCullough motioned to adjourn. Dr. Mayfield seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Adjournment: Chair Henry adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

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