# MINUTES OF THE MISSISSIPPI ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE APRIL 15, 2025

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

MS Department of Information Technology Services

MS Department of Public Safety

MS Department of Finance and Administration

MS Department of Revenue

MS Office of the Secretary of State

Stephanie Hedgepeth, Chair

Clay Johnston Gilda Reyes

Mickey Yates

Daniel Jordan, Vice-Chair

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

MS Department of Information Technology Services Michele Blocker MS Department of Information Technology Services Janis Iskra-Coates MS Department of Information Technology Services Amber Dupree MS Department of Information Technology Services Matthew Henry MS Department of Information Technology Services LaTonya Kirkland MS Department of Information Technology Services Renee Murray MS Department of Information Technology Services Debbie Parker MS Department of Information Technology Services Hailey Tucker MS Office of the Attorney General William Collins

MS Office of the Attorney General MS Office of the State Treasurer

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Kristen Jones Kurt Turner Thomas Allen David Campbell Elliott Flautt Amanda Green Raghul Manoharan

Tina Wells

Mr. Clay Johnston called the meeting to order.

Mr. Clay Johnston called for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2025, meeting if no changes were needed. Ms. Stephanie Hedgepeth made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel Jordan and passed with none opposed.

Mr. Clay Johnston called for a motion to approve the Special Called Meeting minutes of the March 30, 2025, meeting if no changes were needed. Mr. Mickey Yates made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel Jordan and passed with none opposed.

Mr. Clay Johnston called for a motion to approve the amended meeting minutes of the December 17, 2024, meeting if no changes were needed. Ms. Stephanie Hedgepeth made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel Jordan and passed with none opposed.

Ms. Tina Wells presented the Portal Highlights and Current Projects portion of the EOC reports:

#### Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering

In response to the merger of the Board of Cosmetology and Board of Barber Examiners, our team launched updates to the online exam registration, allowing barbering students to register for licensing exams. This resulted in a 20% increase in scheduled exams in February. These updates were made at no additional cost as part of our self-funded model. Additionally, we met with the newly formed board to discuss their goals and plan to demo mobile inspection platforms to modernize their statewide inspection processes.

#### MEMA Website

- Redesigned with improved functionality tailored to serve Mississippians and visitors better.
- A cleaner navigation with a simplified UI. Fully responsive—looks great on any screen size. Built with accessibility tools & multilingual support in mind.

# • Tyler launched two websites:

- MDAC Genuine Store
- Mississippi Department of Health Tattoo Mobile Inspection App

## • Mississippi School District and Locality Websites

- Mississippi School Districts interested in a no cost template website:
  - Cleveland School District
  - Columbia School District
  - Greene County School District
  - Gulfport School District
  - Jackson County School District
  - Stone County School District
- Localities interested in a no-cost template website:
  - Town of Mayersville

# • Department of Banking and Consumer Finance

 Tyler MS has continued to work alongside the Department of Banking and Consumer Finance to enhance the semi-annual bank assessment process. The second FY25 assessment saw improved adoption and 42% growth in funds collected over the initial assessment.

## Mississippi Department of Employment Security

- Governor's Job Fair Employer Registration Refresh
  - We're developing a new system that will make managing job fair events, registrations, and payments more efficient, with an easy-to-use interface and streamlined workflows.
- o A Smarter, Simpler Website
  - We're redesigning the site to make it easier for employers and job seekers to find opportunities and resources. A new Al-powered,

multilingual chatbot will boost accessibility, reduce support calls, and free up staff to focus on what matters most.

Ms. Wells presented the fiscal reports covering activities since the last meeting and fiscal year-to-date transactional metrics.

Ms. Wells discussed the status of projects in development and presented the following projects for Prioritization Approval:

PROJECT △	AGENCY 9		QUEUE STATUS (8)	DEVELOPMENT STATUS	TYPE OF SERVICE	FUNDING MODEL @	SCORE
MCSAB Custom Website	Charter School Authorizer Board of Mississippi		Waiting EOC Approval	Requirements Gathering	Website	T&M	8
MDRS OVR Referral Rehabilitation Services, Mississippi Department of		Waiting EOC Approval	Requirements Gathering	Application	T&M	13	
PROJECT △		LOCALITY &	QUEUE STATUS 😌	DEVELOPMENT STATUS	TYPE OF SERVICE @	FUNDING MODEL @	SCORE 8
Cleveland School District Template Website		Cleveland School District	Waiting EOC Approval	Requirements Gathering	Website	No Cost	15
Stone County School District Template Website		Stone County Schools District	Waiting EOC Approval	Requirements Gathering	Website	No Cost	15
Town of Mayersville, MS Template Website		Mayersville, MS	Waiting EOC Approval	Development	Website	No Cost	11

Mr. Clay Johnston entertained a motion to approve the project queue. Mr. Mickey Yates moved that the projects presented for prioritization and approval be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel Jordan. The motion passed with none opposed.

The plan for the MS.gov Enhancements was presented by Mr. Elliot Flautt.

Ms. Wells reviewed the Financials and Transactional Analysis for FY to Date

#### **Annual Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Mickey Yates made a motion to nominate Stephanie Hedgepeth as Chair of the EOC for a term of one year. This motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel Jordan. The motion was voted on with none opposed and the motion was approved.

Mr. Clay Johnston opened the nominations for a Vice Chair. Mickey Yates nominated Daniel Jordan with no additional nominations. The motion was voted on with none opposed and the motion was approved.

## **Verification of Quorum**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2025.

My. Mickey Yates made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Daniel Jordan seconded, and the motion was approved with none opposed. The meeting was adjourned.

OBO Mr. Clay Johnston Daniel (
due to retirement 6/30/2025

Clay Johnston, Chair

Daniel Jordan, Vice-Chair