

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
EAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

March 2, 2026

**TRUSTEES**

<b>PARTICIPATING:</b> Mr. Bud Brown	Mr. Tim Heard	Dr. Sean Owen
Mr. W.T. Davis	Mrs. Hazel Johnson	Mr. Ed Mosley
Mrs. Kathy Dyess	Mr. Bobby McDade	Mrs. Evelyn Murray
Dr. Keith Gaskin	Mrs. Susan Morgan	Ms. Lisa Wynn

**OTHERS**

<b>PARTICIPATING:</b> Dr. Scott Alsobrooks	Ms. Tammie Holmes	Dr. Michael Busby
Dr. James Rush	Mrs. Christina Vernon	Mr. Kyle Younger
Dr. Nikita Ashford-Ashworth	Mrs. Susan Baird	Ms. Patricia Trainer

The regular meeting of the East Mississippi Community College Board of Trustees was held on March 2, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lion Hills Center and via Teams.

All participants were physically present.

Chairman Dyess called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m. The invocation was given by Ms. Lisa Wynn and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Chairman Dyess requested the Trustees to review the Agenda and note any changes or additional items to be included.

There being no further changes or additions to the Agenda, Chairman Dyess requested the items noted with an asterisk on the Agenda be approved as the "consent agenda," and approved as one item, the following:

- Board Minutes from the meeting on February 9, 2026;
- Claims Docket for March 2026 and Sole Source Purchases, if any;
- Approval of Personnel Approval/Updates, X. A.
- Approval of recommended inventory deletions, if any; X. B.

A motion for approval of the consent agenda made by Mr. Ed Mosely and seconded by Ms. Lisa Wynn. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. Board Chair's Report**

Chairman Dyess did not have a report.

**VII. President's Report**

Dr. Alsobrooks' report included recognition of March birthdays and a legislative update regarding matters affecting community colleges across the state. He also provided an update concerning the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and related accreditation processes. Additional updates included a change to the football schedule, recognition of recent student achievements, and a report on the Career Fair held on the Scooba campus. Dr. Alsobrooks further shared information regarding upcoming Nursing and Allied Health informational sessions, Spring Preview Day, and other forthcoming campus events.

X. Financial Report and Review of Investment Activity. CFO Holmes did not have a report on this matter. The following was selected for the Finance Committee: Dr. Sean Owen, Mrs. Kathy Dyess, Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Dr. Keith Gaskin, Mr. Bobby McDade, and Mr. Ed Mosley.

XI. Approval of 2026-2027 EMCC Academic Calendar. Dr. Keith Gaskin made the motion for approval and it was seconded by Mr. Tim Heard. The motion passed unanimously.

XII. Attorney Rod Hickman did not have a report.

XIII. A. Reminder the statement of economic interest report to the Ethics Commission must be filed by May 1, 2026.

B. The Board set the April Board meeting for April 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Scooba Campus.

XIV. Dr. Keith Gaskin made the motion to adjourn and for payment of honorarium and travel. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hazel Johnson and passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Dyess adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

  
Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
Chairman

DATE: April 13, 2026