MISSISSIPPI AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

**Regular Telephonic Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Monday, October 19, 2015

9:30 a.m.

Board Room

MAET Administration Building

3825 Ridgewood Road

Jackson, Mississippi

Directors present: David Allen, Chair, Bob Sawyer, Vice-Chair, Peggy Holmes, Jennifer O’Neal and Alan Perry

Directors absent: Pete Smith

Directors participating telephonically: None

Staff present: Ronnie Agnew, Paul Moore, Claudia Morris and Ryanne Saucier

Others present: Ann Becker, LeAnne Brewer and David Scott

**WELCOME**

Director Sawyer welcomed Peggy Holmes as the new Governor appointee (at-large) to the Board of Directors.

**ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS**

A motion was made by Director Sawyer and seconded by Director Holmes that Vice-Chair Allen serve as the Chair of the Board, and upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director O’Neal that Director Sawyer serve as the Vice-Chair of the Board, and upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Vice-Chair Sawyer that the Board consider going into a closed determination session for the purpose of discussing whether it had cause to go into executive session. The motion to go into closed determination session was unanimously passed by the Board members present.

In closed determination session, a motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Perry that the Board go into executive session for the following reasons:

Strategy or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation, litigation or issuance of an appealable order when an open meeting would have detrimental effect on the litigating position of the Authority.

Discussion of pay raises for key personnel

The motion to go into executive session was unanimously approved by the Board members present.

[Alan Perry exited the meeting.]

Upon conclusion of the business for executive session, the Board returned to open session.

The following actions were taken:

* The Board directed the office of the Attorney General to draft a new Affiliation Agreement with cover letter to be sent to the Foundation for Public Broadcasting in Mississippi that will clarify the relationship between the Agency and the Foundation employees and negotiate to create a more conducive situation to benefit public broadcasting in Mississippi.
* The Board authorized pay raises for specific MPB personnel.

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**BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Vice-Chair Sawyer that steps be taken for the Board meeting policy be changed in order for the Board to meet onthly, and upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Vice-Chair Sawyer that the meeting be adjourned, and upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**SIGNED,** **this the 8th day of December, 2015**

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 **David Allen, Chair**

 **Board of Directors**

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 **Ronnie Agnew**

 **Executive Director**