



Mississippi Association for Institutional Research
Business Meeting
March 26, 2021 – 2:00pm

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Dedeaux at 2:00pm with 33 participants.

II. Review and Approval of 2020 Minutes:

Eric Atchison made motion to approve the minutes with no changes. Kate Failing seconded the motion. The motion passed.

III. Reports

a. Webmaster

Chrisa Mansell indicated that Mitzi Norris took screenshots during the conference, which have been posted on the MAIR website, along with handouts of the various presentations.

b. Members-At-Large

Diann Nichols thanked everyone for attending the conference. She greatly appreciated the MAIR officers for helping her with ensuring a successful event. Seven sponsors were secured for the 2021 conference – two gold, one silver, and four bronze.

c. Treasurer

Chrisa Mansell stated she has not received all payments as of today, but all of those have provided confirmation that payments are on the way.

d. Past President

Mitzi Norris thanked everyone for their willingness to contribute toward a successful conference, especially with virtual meetings, and acknowledged her sincere appreciation for all of the boards she has had the opportunity to work with through the years.

e. Vice President

Ken Thompson thanked everyone on the Executive Board who worked so well together to create an outstanding conference. He noted his appreciation for the effort given by all resulting in a phenomenal job. Ken said he looked forward to seeing everyone in person at next year's conference.

f. President

Tim Dedeaux extended his thanks to all for making the conference a success, including, but not limited to, the board, committees, sponsors, and attendees. He also looks forward to seeing everyone in person next year.



IV. Old Business

No old business items were presented for discussion.

V. New Business

Awards

- a. Unsung Hero Award – Elizabeth T. Edwards, Itawamba Community College
- b. Jim Nichols Award – Suzanne Simpson, University of Alabama in Huntsville
- c. Best Presentation Award for 2020*

Dr. Kelli Hefner and Amber Nelms – *Assessment Paradise: How My Institution went to MAUI (Making Assessment Understood for Improvement)*

*Best Presentation Award is automatically accepted for AIR's conference program list.

VI. Officer Elections

As stated in the By-Laws, the following officer positions were filled by succession/term requirements for 2021-22:

Past President	Tim Dedeaux, Pearl River College
President	Ken Thompson, Millsaps College
Treasurer (2-year term)	Chrisa Mansell, Delta State University
Webmaster	Chrisa Mansell, Delta State University
Webmaster	Amber Nelms, Northeast MS Community College

Officer Elections for 2021-22:

Vice President	Stephanie Diffey, Holmes Community College
Secretary	Cecila King, Mississippi State University
Member-at-Large (2-year)	Adam Swanson, MGCCC*
Member-at-Large (4-year)	Demetria White, Tougaloo College

*Adam Swanson was elected 2-year member at large. The results were initially erroneously announced, but have since been corrected



VII. Announcements

The location for the 2022 MAIR Conference has been secured at the Bancorp South Center in Tupelo, Mississippi, for Thursday, March 24 and Friday, March 25, 2022.

VIII. Other Business

President Tim Dedeaux asked that everyone please complete the conference evaluations.

President Tim Dedeaux stated that it has been an honor to serve as secretary, vice president, and president of MAIR, and then he graciously passed the gavel to Ken Thompson, acknowledging Ken now as President as he assumes the responsibilities of Past President.

Ken Thompson thanked Tim Dedeaux as well as Mitzi Norris for their continuous support and guidance in developing the conference and said he hoped to provide the same support to Stephanie Diffey, incoming Vice President.

The meeting and conference was then adjourned by 2021 MAIR President Ken Thompson at 2:23pm.