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The Faculty union gave Bense a "No Confidence" vote. Bense responded by making Saunders UWF's Executive V.P.

This is a ridiculous response in light of how much damage Saunders cost USM...see attached ILH minutes that contains additional evidence of why Saunders and Gore "resigned."

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
October 21, 2010**

LEGAL AGENDA

Presented by Trustee Alan Perry, Chair

On motion by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Whitten, with Trustee Owens absent and not voting and Trustee Pickering participating by phone, all Trustees legally present and participating voted unanimously to move agenda items #1 - #8 to the Executive Session Agenda.

1. **UM** - Request to settle IHL Self-Insured Workers Compensation Claim No. 1997668. **(This item was handled during Executive Session.)**
2. **UMMC** - Request to settle Tort Claim No. 1625. **(This item was handled during Executive Session.)**
3. **USM** - Request to settle the lawsuit styled as *Amacker v. the University of Southern Mississippi, et al.* **(This item was handled during Executive Session.)**
4. **USM** - Request to settle the lawsuit styled as *Fitzgerald v. the University of Southern Mississippi, et al.* **(This item was handled during Executive Session.)**
5. **USM** - Request to settle the lawsuit styled as *Fox v. the University of Southern Mississippi, et al.* **(This item was handled during Executive Session.)**

Cases set for trial in 2006

Stephen K. Fox vs. USM, filed December, 1995. Set for trial: Jan. 9, 2006. Fox claims he was denied tenure and promotion although he met all reasonable criteria. Claim: \$2 million on compensatory and \$1 million in punitive damages

Mitchell Krell and Lynn Krell filed February 1997, Set for trial: May 1, 2006. Krell claims he was wrongfully fired and it caused harm to his family. Claim: \$2 million compensatory and \$2 million in punitive damages.

Patricia Amacker vs. USM, David Huffman George Crook, Janet Prieur, filed: March 1998. Set for trial: Sept. 5. 2006. Amacker said although she worked 26 years on the university faculty and completed all criteria she was not promoted to full professor. Further, she alleges she was yelled at and treated discourteously. Claim: \$1 million punitive, \$1 million actual...

Michael Fitzgerald vs USM, filed: August 2000. Set for trial: Feb. 26, 2006 Fitzgerald claims he was denied the position of assistant professor because he was over age 40. He claims he was on tenure track and a Vietnam-era veteran so is entitled to additional relief. Claim: In excess of \$75,000 that a jury deems appropriate; punitive damages in amount jury deems appropriate.

Jerome Agrusa vs USM, filed February 1998. Set for trial Sept. 5, 2006 Agrusa said he was fired in May 1997 as an associate professor and his due process rights were violated. He claims he was harassed by two university officials and was fired when he spoke out against university policies. Claim: \$2 million in punitive, \$2 million in actual