

## It Just Keeps On Going, And Going, And Going ...

Mississippi bureaucrats never seem to recognize waste, misconduct, miscreant behavior. Result: It just keeps on going and going and going ...

The [board on Thursday](#) named Jim Borsig as higher education commissioner for the state's public universities beginning April 15. He'll replace Hank Bounds, who's leaving to become the president of the University of Nebraska...Bosig looks to state for increased support of Mississippi's public universities. He reasons that "We've had a strong commitment here to efficiencies, and I think we've demonstrated the ability to save money and be smart about what we do. This board is still committed to that and the universities are still committed to that."

It's amazing how bureaucrats conveniently forget the many instances of absolute waste of state taxpayer funds. Maybe they think that since citizens are not reminded with follow up reports from traditional local news organizations, no one will remember. They may be right. Let's take one example of the waste and misconduct at USM that usmnews.net has fully documented. Read, then compare it to, the absurd statement from Borsig that "we've had a strong commitment here to efficiencies, and I think we've demonstrated the ability to save money..."

[Review reports concerning the waste and corruption](#) for yourself,

[And an excerpt](#) from AirFarce One:

[On June 14 and 16, 2009](#), USM's records show that Dr. Saunders flew USM high level administrators, IHL Board members, and state and local politicians in N777AQ to Omaha, NE to watch the College World Series. The passengers: Joe Bailey—Saunders' husband, Chad Driskell—Executive Assistant to the President, Jack Driskell, Joe and Connie Morgan, Bob Pierce, Johnny Atherton, Doug Rouse—IHL member, Billy Hewes—Mississippi state senator, Jay McDowell, Richard Giannini, John Brown, and Johnny Dupree—Hattiesburg mayor. USM's records report President's Office was charged for the flight—that is, USM students, faculty, and Mississippi taxpayers paid. The flight time of 11.7 hours and \$6,187.67 per flight hour means an actual cost of **\$72,395.74**. **\$72,395.74** was spent so that President Saunders could chauffeur her husband, politicians, IHL members, upper administrators, and spouses to a BASEBALL GAME.

And, before you say Borsig is different -- that he doesn't and won't waste student and taxpayer money -- take a look at the following:

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HATTIESBURG - Documents obtained by USMNEWS.net from the Mississippi University for Women via a Mississippi Open Records Act request indicates that Mona Amodeo's *Idgroup* is now feeding at the MUW budget trough. The insert below shows e-mail communication between Amodeo and officials at MUW, including MUW president Jim Borsig, regarding *Core Dialogue* sessions that *Idgroup* is preparing for MUW this fall (2012).

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Sources tell USMNEWS.net that Borsig, interestingly, has two degrees from USM and also served on the USM faculty/staff several years ago. Thus, it is possible that Amodeo benefitted from her long-standing relationship with former USM president Martha Saunders in securing MUW's business (for *Idgroup*) through Borsig.