

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF HIGHER EDUCATION
MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Conference Call Meeting

DATE: February 24, 1987

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Office of Commissioner of
Higher Education
33 South Last Chance Gulch
Helena, Montana

REGENTS PARTICIPATING BY TELEPHONE
CONFERENCE CALL: Chairman Lind; Regents Redlin,
Morrison, Birkenbuel, McCarthy

PRESENT IN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE: Deputy Commissioner for
Management and Fiscal
Affairs Jack Noble

REGENTS EXCUSED: Kaze, McCarthy
Commissioner Krause

Chairman Lind called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and it was determined a quorum was present.

Deputy Commissioner Noble reviewed the bond resolutions and the memorandum to the Regents dated February 21, 1987 (on file). The resolutions before the Board for approval authorize Montana State University, the University of Montana, and Northern Montana College to prepay Department of Education housing bonds at a substantial discount, and proceed with a restructuring of their respective bonded indebtedness. The prepayment for MSU and U of M will occur next week, with debt restructuring to occur within six to eight weeks. Northern Montana

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College is still looking at alternatives. No firm date for its restructuring has been established. In order to keep the options for prepayment open, NMC will notify the Department of Education that it intends to prepay the bonds.

Mr. Noble explained the savings the institutions will realize through the prepayments and restructure. For instance, at the University of Montana, the Department of Education will accept \$3,785,000 for \$5,459,000 of outstanding bonds for a discount of \$1,674,000. The savings at MSU will not be as great, but will approximate \$770,000.

After discussion, Chairman Lind moved approval of the transaction as outlined, and that Item 54-201-R0287, Item 54-101-R0287, and Item 54-801-R0287, be approved. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Regents will be held on March 27, 1987, in Helena, Montana.


Chairman, Board of Regents of Higher
Education, Montana University System

ATTEST:


Secretary

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