

MEETING SUMMARY

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The following provides a summary of actions of approval taken by the Board of Regents at its May 31-June 2, 2006 meeting in Havre, Montana. All amendments to agenda items are included and, unless otherwise noted, all votes are unanimous. Formal minutes of the meeting will be prepared and mailed at a later date. If you have questions on any of the items, please call Sherry Rosette at the Commissioner's Office in Helena (444-0311).

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ACADEMIC/STUDENT AFFAIRS ITEMS

- a) ITEM 130-301-R0306: Certificates of Applied Science, Flathead Valley Community College.

ITEM a. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE

- b) ITEM 130-2851-R0306: A.A.S. degree in Radiologic Technology, MSU-Great Falls College of Technology.

ITEM b. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE WITH REQUIREMENT THAT REVISED CURRICULUM REFLECTING FEWER CREDITS TO MEET BOARD POLICY BE PRESENTED AT THE SEPTEMBER, 2006 MEETING.

- c) ITEM 130-2852-R0306: Certificate of Practical Nursing, MSU-Great Falls College of Technology.

- d) ITEM 130-2804-R0306: Civil Engineering Technology program in Great Falls, MSU-Northern.

- e) ITEM 130-1018-R0306: Irish Studies minor, UM-Missoula.

ITEMS c. - e. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES.

- f) ITEM 130-1503-R0306: Bachelor and Master's degree in Electrical Engineering, Montana Tech.

ITEM f. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE WITH REQUIREMENT THAT MT TECH RETURN TO THE SEPT 2006 MEETING WITH INFORMATION ON HOW THE PROGRAMS ARTICULATE WITH ELECTRICAL ENGINEER PROGRAMS AT MSU-BOZEMAN

3. ITEM 131-101-R0506: Additional revisions to the model nursing curriculum.

ITEM 3. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BUDGET ITEMS

3. ITEM 131-109-R0506 - Approval of Contract with new vendor for Montana Family Education Savings Plan

4. ITEM 131-1011-R0506 - Foundation Operating Agreement; The University of Montana-Missoula

5. ITEM 131-1603-R0506 - Foundation Operating Agreement; The University of Montana-Western

ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5 APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES

- c. ITEM 131-112-R0506 - Approval of Project Priority List, Long Range Building Program Montana University System

ITEM c. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE AMENDED TO CHANGE PHASE II LANGUAGE.

- d. ITEM 131-113-R0506 - OTO Appropriations

The last amended list of System Initiatives for ITEM d. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE WITH FOLLOWING CHANGES: Priority one will be "Provide adequate funding to the educational units sufficient to limit tuition increases to 5% at the four-year campuses and 0% at the two-year campuses with a footnote that the amount is to be determined by the OCHE fiscal staff in collaboration with the Legislative Budget staff. The 2nd priority - Improve Affordability; 3rd - Transferability; 4th - Distance Learning; 5th - Indian Ed for All; 6th - Healthcare Ed; 7th - Equipment & Technology; 8th - Deferred Maintenance for CCs; 9th - Workforce Training & Prog. Dev. In High Demand fields. The Need-based Endowment is the final initiative with no dollar amount recommended.

- e. ITEM 131-104-R0506 - FY07 Tuition Rates, Flathead Valley Community College and Dawson Community College

- f. ITEM 131-106-R0506 - Montana University System Revised Tuition Matrices – FY07

- g. ITEM 131-115-R0506 - Approval of Two Budget Amendment Requests; Office Commissioner of Higher

Education

ITEMS e., f., AND g. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES

- h. ITEM 131-1001-R0506 - Proposed Transfer of Real Property Interest in Lots 1 Through 22 of Block 32 of the Homevale Addition in the City of Missoula to Missoula County High School District No. 1 (MCHS) Pursuant to a Mediated Settlement Agreement & Release; The University of Montana-Missoula

ITEM h. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE WITH AUTHORITY GIVEN TO PRESIDENT DENNISON AND COMMISSIONER STEARNS TO APPROVE FINAL DETAILS OF LEASE AND AGREEMENT.

- i. ITEM 131-108-R0506 - Authorization to Secure InterCap Loan from Board of Investments for campus expansion – FVCC

- j. ITEM 131-1009-R0506 - Intercollegiate Athletics Financial Accomplishments and Revised Plan; The University of Montana-Missoula

ITEMS i. AND j. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES

- k. ITEM 131-1012-R0506 - Authorization for Annual Automatic Indexing of Student Fees; The University of Montana-Missoula

ITEM k. DEFERRED TO THE SEPTEMBER 2006 MEETING WITH THE TASK FORCE ON FEES TO WORK ON THE ISSUES OVER THE SUMMER. A STUDENT WILL BE APPOINTED AS A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE.

- l. ITEM 131-2005-R0506 - Renew Authorization to Provide Fire Suppression in Johnstone Center; MSU-Bozeman

- m. ITEM 131-2006-R0506 - Naming the "Harlan & Terri Byker Auditorium"; MSU-Bozeman

ITEMS l. AND m. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES

- n. ITEM 131-2007-R0506 - Series K

2006 Facilities Revenue Refunding Bond Issue; MSU

ITEM n. APPROVED ON 6-0 VOTE WITH REGENT SEMMENS RECUSING HIMSELF IN CASE OF POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

- o. ITEM 131-2010-R0506 - Adoption of A Definition of "Academic Buildings"; MSU

ITEM o. DEFERRED TO SEPTEMBER 2006 MEETING TO PERMIT COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, LEGISLATIVE FISCAL DIVISION, AND THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET OFFICE.

- p. Business Process Redesign Incentive Payments; MSU-Bozeman - ITEM 131-2011-R0506

ITEM p. WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA FOLLOWING APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO BOR POLICIES 711.1 & 711.2.

- q. Revision to language contained in Item 129-2801-R1105- Authorization to Establish a Mandatory Lewistown Building Fee; Montana State University-Northern - ITEM 131-2801-R0506

ITEM q. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE

STAFF AND COMPENSATION ITEMS

- b. ITEM 131-116-R0506 – Revisions to BOR Policies 711.1 & 711.2 (*Employment contracts and pay guidelines for non-faculty administrators and professionals*) The BOR through this proposed policy delegates to the Commissioner of Higher Education the authority to approve employment contracts and pay adjustments in accordance with approved pay guidelines.
- e. ITEM 131-111-R0506 – Revision to BOR Policy 804.1 (*Authorization of administrative positions for the self-insured group insurance plan*) The proposed revision would increase by .5 (one-half) the number of full-time equivalent positions authorized to the Commissioner of Higher Education for administration of the self-insured group insurance plan. The current authorization is 3.5 full-time employees (the proposal authorizes up to 4.0 positions).

ITEMS b. AND e. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTES.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ITEMS

- h. Perkins Quarterly Update – ITEM 131-102-R0506
NO ACTION WAS REQUIRED ON ITEM h.

SYSTEM ISSUES

- a. CI-97 – Information and Review
e. Policy on Disposal of Computers - ITEM 131-107-R0506

ITEMS a. AND e. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE

- j. Faculty Appeal – Action Item – ITEM 131-118-R0506
k. Student Appeal – Action Item – ITEM 131-119-R050

ON UNANIMOUS VOTES OF 7-0 THE BOARD UPHELD THE DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER ON ITEMS j. AND k.

CONSENT AGENDA

Staff Items:

- a. ITEM 131-100-R0506 – Staff; Office Commissioner of Higher Education
b. ITEM 131-1000-R0506 - Staff; The University of Montana-Missoula
c. ITEM 131-1005-R0506 - Authorization to Confer the Title Professor Emeritus of Library Science upon Bonnie Schuster; The University of Montana-Missoula
d. ITEM 131-1006-R0506 - Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Library Science upon Dennis L. Richards; The University of Montana-Missoula
e. ITEM 131-1500-R0506 - Staff; Montana Tech of The University of Montana
f. ITEM 131-1507-R0506 - Authorization to Confer the Title Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences upon Nina Lupkiewicz; Montana Tech of The University of Montana
g. ITEM 131-1600-R0506 - Staff; The University of Montana-Western
h. ITEM 131-1601-R0506 - Authorization to Confer the Title of Assistant Professor Emeritus of Business upon John Bailey; The University of Montana-Western
i. ITEM 131-2000-R0506 - Staff; MSU-Bozeman
j. ITEM 131-2001-R0506 - Professor Emeritus of Political Science-Raymond Pratt; MSU-Bozeman
k. ITEM 131-2002-R0506 - Professor Emeritus of Cooperative Ext & Ag Econ-James Johnson; MSU-Bozeman
l. ITEM 131-2003-R0506 - Professor Emeritus of Nursing-Kathleen Chafey; MSU-Bozeman
m. ITEM 131-2004-R0506 - Professor Emeritus of Cooperative Extension-David Sharpe; MSU-Bozeman
n. ITEM 131-2300-R0506 - Staff; Ag Experiment Station
o. ITEM 131-2400-R0506 - Staff; Cooperative Extension Service

- p. ITEM 131-2700-R0506 - Staff; MSU-Billings
q. ITEM 131-2708-R0506 - Authorization to Confer The Title of Professor Emeritus of Native American Studies upon Professor C. Adrian Heidenreich; Montana State University-Billings
r. ITEM 131-2800-R0506 - Staff, MSU-Northern
s. ITEM 131-2850-R0506 - Staff, MSU-Great Falls

Labor Agreements/Other Items

- a. ITEM 131-103-R0506 – Approval of Tentative Agreement with Helena College of Technology Faculty Union
b. Approval of Tentative Agreement with Faculty Union; Montana State University-Northern – ITEM 131-117-R0506

Administrative/Budget Items

- a. Student Computer Fee Employment Allocation; The University of Montana-Missoula - ITEM 131-1002-R0506
b. Student Computer Fee Equipment Allocation; The University of Montana-Missoula - ITEM 131-1003-R0506
c. Authority Reports; The University of Montana-Missoula - ITEM 131-1004-R0506
d. Annual Status Report of Regents Authority; Montana State University-Bozeman – ITEM 131-2013-R0506
e. Authorization to Expend Student Computer Fees; Montana Tech of The University of Montana - ITEM 131-1503-R0506
f. Authorization to Expend Student Computer Fees; Montana Tech of The University Of Montana - ITEM 131-1506-R0506
g. Authorization to Expend Reverted Appropriations; The University of Montana-Western - ITEM 131-1602-R0506
h. Authorization to Expend Student Computer Technology Fees; The University of Montana-Helena College of Technology - ITEM 131-1901-R0506

ALL CONSENT ITEMS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7-0 VOTE

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Interim Chair Mike Foster announced his resignation from the Board of Regents at the direction of his medical doctors. The announcement will be made official approximately June 15, 2006.

Regent Lynn Hamilton was elected Chair of the Board of Regents.
Regent Stephen Barrett was elected Vice-Chair of the Board of Regents.