

ITEM 149-1501-R1110

Revised Operating Budget – FY 2011: Montana Tech of The University of Montana

THAT

The Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes the amended fiscal year 2011 operating budget for Montana Tech of The University of Montana as submitted on the attached documentation.

EXPLANATION

As previously noted during the September 2010 Board of Regents meeting and budget presentation, Montana Tech expects to exceed the enrollment and tuition projections used to develop the FY11 Budget. The original revenue estimate was based on projected FTE of 2,530 and the revised revenue estimate is based on a projected FTE of 2,658. This represents an increase of 128 FTE over the original projection.

The additional revenue is estimated at \$1,425,972. Montana Tech proposes to use the additional revenue as follows:

- Deposit \$116,231 into the Reserve Revolving Account as permissible under Board Policy 901.15. This will increase the total reserve to the maximum amount allowed by policy.
- The remaining amount of \$1,309,741 will be used to fund increased expenditures for instruction, instructional program equipment and deferred maintenance, which are a result of the increased number of students. The campus will also dedicate some of these funds to continued student recruitment and retention efforts. Additional faculty and support staff positions will be filled in order to support the increased number of students.

The approving authority for the university system is defined by 17-7-102(3)(f) M.C.A. to be the Board of Regents of Higher Education or its designated representative. Further, in accordance with 17-7-402(1)(a)(ii), the Board of Regents or its designated representative is the authority responsible for approving budget amendments for spending additional tuition collected.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Revised Summary of Current Unrestricted Revenues
2. Fifteenth Day Enrollment Stats for FY2011