September 18-19, 2013

INFORMATION ITEM

<u>Creative Arts Complex - Accessibility Improvements; Montana State University-Bozeman</u>

THAT

Under the auspices of its General Spending Authority for Capital Improvements to Campus Facilities, authorized by the 61st Legislature, MSU is proceeding with accessibility modifications in the Creative Arts Complex (Cheever, Howard, and Haynes Halls) for a total of \$155,000.

EXPLANATION

- 1. In meeting the educational, social and cultural expectations of the changing student demographic, the university is committed to capital renewal investments that modernizes and improves its academic facilities.
- 2. Modern teaching environments are critical to establishing opportunities to engage students, faculty, as well as promote recruitment and retention.
- 3. The Creative Arts Complex was originally constructed in 1974 and has not been significantly updated or modernized since its original construction. MSU plans to perform accessibility upgrades to the Creative Arts Complex. These improvements include but are not limited to creating an accessible bathroom in Haynes Hall, improving access to the recital hall in Howard Hall and corridor and ramp modifications.
- 4. This work will be funded with \$155,000 from Current Unrestricted Funds.
- 5. This use of General Spending Authority will be tracked and reported on MSU's biannual report to the Board of Regents per BOR Policy 1003.7.
- 6. MSU assures that no new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of this existing facility as a result of this project.

Board of Regents Policy: Physical Plant B Section 1003.7

This use of General Spending Authority is for an amount greater than \$150,000, which requires the following additional information:

a) Project Description:

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(b) Cost Estimate and Funding Sources:

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Construction		\$125,000
Design	\$15,000	
Contingency	\$15,000	
Total	\$155,000	

Funding Sources: This work will be funded with \$155,000 from Current Unrestricted Funds.

(c) Program Served, Enrollment Data, Projected Enrollment:

Spaces in the Creative Arts Complex serve the general campus student enrollment of over 14,000 MSU students as well as faculty, staff and promote recruitment and retention.

(d) Space Utilization Data:

This renovation project renovates existing space within the facilities and will not appreciably change the utilization of the existing spaces.

(e) Projected Use for Available Residual Space

(Not applicable to this project)

(f) Projected O&M Costs and Proposed Funding Sources:

Historic O&M costs are not expected to be significantly impacted by this renovation project, since facilities will not be expanded.