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# ITEM 218-2007-R0525

# Request for Authorization to Increase ASMSU Fee to Support the Campus CatTracks Shuttle System; Montana State University

## **THAT**

The Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes Montana State University, in accordance with Board of Regents Policy 940.12.1, to increase the student ASMSU Fee by \$3.19 (3.97%) in FY26 and \$3.25 (3.90%) in FY27 as supported by the student government (ASMSU).

## **EXPLANATION**

The ASMSU fee supports a variety of student programming and is administered by the student government. The fee is mandatory for students taking 7 or more credits in any semester. Examples of programs supported by the fee include student transportation services, sustainability, student organizations, the Exponent (student newspaper), the Leadership Institute, and other student activities. While modest increases are being requested in other parts of the ASMSU Fee, the largest driver of the increase to this fee is related to transportation). The fee provides support to local bus service (Streamline) as well as the new campus CatTracks shuttle system.

- 1. The cost of running the CatTracks shuttle system is approximately \$370,000 per year. The cost is shared between MSU Parking and Transportation Services, Student Fees, and Institutional Funds.
- 2. The shuttle provides transportation to MSU students, faculty, and staff. Examples include transportation from perimeter parking lots to the core of campus, transportation around the core of campus, and transportation to/from the MSU Innovation Campus west of South 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- 3. This fee increase request is supported by, and submitted in coordination with, ASMSU to support this important service to our students.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1: ASMSU Resolution in Support of ASMSU Fee Increase