Student Regent Appointment Profile

The Board of Regents is charged with supervising, coordinating, managing and controlling the Montana university system (MUS). One of the members of the board shall be a student appointed by the governor who is registered full-time at a unit of higher education under jurisdiction of the board. The length of the term of the student member is one year with possibility of reappointment to successive terms.

A student regent commits to full participation in Board of Regents regular meetings, committee meetings, and other activities. The student regent typically serves on two committees – the Academic, Research and Students Affairs Committee (ARSA) and one other committee with assignment dependent on student background and interest and needs of the Board.

A student regent should be familiar with the MUS strategic plan, the primary planning document of the Board of Regents. Further, the student regent pledges to stay current on issues and opportunities facing the MUS and its Board of Regents. The student regent will be expected to review BOR materials when they are posted and to be prepared to engage in discussion as appropriate on these materials with other Board members, campus leaders, and the public.

Time commitment:

The BOR schedules regular meetings in March, May, September, and November of each calendar year. BOR planning meetings are scheduled for January and sometime in the summer each year. Conference call meetings take place between regular meetings as deemed necessary by the Chair of the Board and on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Higher Education.

Compensation:

Members of the Board of Regents receive $50 each day they are engaged in the performance of board duties. They also are reimbursed for costs of travel, lodging, and meals.

Other benefits:

Students who have served on the Board of Regents report that it afforded them a valuable leadership development opportunity. Many have progressed to other leadership and/or policy positions.