ITEM 105-1901-R1199 Create Property Acquisition Zone; Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana

THAT: The Board of Regents of Higher Education of the Montana University System authorizes the Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana to designate a Property Acquisition Zone defined as Blocks 31 (Lots 9-16) and 43 of the attached Exhibit A and to acquire any of the properties therein for a purchase price not to exceed $115,000, to be held by the Board of Regents of Higher Education for the use and benefit of the Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana as hereinafter prescribed.

1. No property outside the designated Property Acquisition Zone may be acquired without the specific approval of the Board of Regents of Higher Education.

2. Any of the residential properties within the Property Acquisition Zone which become available for purchase may be purchased upon obtaining a minimum of two appraisals and negotiating a purchase price which is not in excess of the higher of the two appraisals provided that the purchase price does not exceed $115,000. Any acquisition at any price in excess of the higher of the two appraisals shall require prior specific approval of the Board of Regents of Higher Education.

3. Purchase of properties within the designated Property Acquisition Zone may be made on a cash, contract, mortgage, assumption of indebtedness, or trust deed basis, and the University is authorized to retain the services of appraisers, trustees, real estate agents, or escrow agents as may be required to appropriately complete the transfer.

4. Properties within the Property Acquisition Zone may be purchased with rents from such properties accrued for that purpose, auxiliary services funds, building fee proceeds, or other non-general fund resources available to the Dean for that purpose.

5. In the course of acquiring properties within the Property Acquisition Zone, no ongoing payment obligation of the Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana shall be incurred in excess of funds known or reasonably projected to be available for that purpose.

6. Rents from properties owned or acquired within the Property Acquisition Zone, as well as other peripheral owned and rented residences, will be used to pay any expenses incident to ownership, maintenance, improvement, and management of said properties, and rent receipts in excess of those required for purposes will be accrued, invested, and reinvested to fund and finance further acquisitions or improvements of properties within the Property Acquisition Zone.

7. Conversion of any property within the Property Acquisition Zone to any use other than as a rental property, which conversion would result in a reduction of rental income available for making payments on or maintenance and operation of rental properties within the Zone, shall require approval of the Board of Regents of Higher Education.

8. A report containing the property description, the two required appraisals, the purchase price, and the terms and conditions of purchase shall be forwarded to the Commissioner of
Higher Education prior to each proposed purchase within the Property Acquisition Zone, and no purchase shall be made without the approval of the Commissioner.

**EXPLANATION:** The most recent property purchase of The Helena College of Technology within the acquisition zone was in July 1999 for $120,000. The appraised property value was $128,000.

The Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana intends to purchase various properties within the described Property Acquisition Zone over the coming years in keeping with the long-term campus development plan.

**ATTACHMENT:** Exhibit A.
I. ITEM 104-2701-R0999 - Authorization to Offer a Master of Science Degree in Psychology; Montana State University-Billings (Originally submitted as Clinical Psychology. Changed by campus to Psychology)

m. ITEM 104-2702-R0999 - Authorization to Offer a Master of Science Degree in Public Relations; Montana State University-Billings

V. OTHER

a. Updated report on extended degree programs by MSU - Bozeman

b. Teaching Evaluation Discussion

c. Update on Conversation on Tenure Planning

d. Locus of Doctoral Degree Granting Authority - LeRoy Schramm

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ADMINISTRATIVE/BUDGET COMMITTEE

I. SUBMISSION AGENDA

a. ITEM 105-1004-R1199—Increase Purchase Price Within Property Acquisition Zone; The University of Montana-Missoula

b. ITEM 105-1901-R1199—Create Property Acquisition Zone; Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana

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d. ITEM 105-2702-R1199 - Authorization to Purchase Real Property (3009 Yucca); Montana State University-Billings

e. ITEM 105-2703-R1199 - Authorization to Purchase Real Property (415 Highland Park Drive); Montana State University-Billings

II. ACTION AGENDA
k. **ITEM 104-2004-R0999** - Authorization to Offer a Master of Arts Degree in Native American Studies, Montana State University-Bozeman

l. **ITEM 104-2701-R0999** - Authorization to Offer a Master of Science Degree in Psychology; Montana State University-Billings (Originally submitted as Clinical Psychology. Changed by campus to Psychology)

m. **ITEM 104-2702-R0999** - Authorization to Offer a Master of Science Degree in Public Relations; Montana State University-Billings

- Regent Roehm MOVED for APPROVAL of items b. – m.

- Motion APPROVED unanimously

**OTHER**

a. Updated report on extended degree programs by MSU - Bozeman

b. Teaching Evaluation Discussion

Dr. Scott reported that the campuses would collect information on current policies and practices, review it and prepare a report to the Board with possible policy recommendations.

c. Update on Conversation on Tenure Planning

Faculty Senate and Council chairs are collaborating on a formal presentation to be given on the afternoon of Wednesday, January 19 for the Board and campus delegations.

d. **Locus of Doctoral Degree Granting Authority - LeRoy Schramm**

Current policy and practice limits the locus degree authority to the campus on which the student is enrolled. Campus perceptions of the Northwest Association’s position on this matter differ. The Committee recommended that the Board should put the item on its agenda.

e. Reaffirmation of Accreditation; MSU-College of Technology, Great Falls

Dean Weaver indicated that their Accreditation Report was very good, with the commendations far outweighing the recommendations. They are addressing the recommendations now.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE/BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**SUBMISSION AGENDA**

a. **ITEM 105-1004-R1199** - Increase Purchase Price Within Property Acquisition Zone; The University of Montana-Missoula

b. **ITEM 105-1901-R1199** - Create Property Acquisition Zone; Helena College of Technology

   of The University of Montana
Regent Jasmin MOVED for APPROVAL to MOVE Items a. and b. to the ACTION AGENDA for the January meeting

Motion APPROVED unanimously.

c. ITEM 105-2001-R1199 - Authorization to Construct Greenhouse Café; Montana State University-Bozeman

d. ITEM 105-2702-R1199 - Authorization to Purchase Real Property (3009 Yucca); Montana State University-Billings

e. ITEM 105-2703-R1199 - Authorization to Purchase Real Property (415 Highland Park Drive); Montana State University-Billings

Regent Jasmin MOVED for APPROVAL to MOVE Items c., d., and e., to the ACTION AGENDA IMMEDIATELY AND FOR IMMEDIATE APPROVAL

Motion APPROVED unanimously

ACTION AGENDA

a. ITEM 103-101-R0599 - Approval of Policy Revisions to Board of Regents' policy 940.30, the Montana Tuition Assistance Program

The Legislature left this issue to the discretion of the Board of Regents. It is recommended that these funds be extended to students attending tribal colleges. The Constitution directs MUS to help all residents of Montana, and this is a step in that direction. The funds go directly to resident students, rather than to institutions.

b. ITEM 104-1505-R0999 - Authorization for Planning for the Construction of a Natural Resources Research Center Facility and Authorization to Establish the Associated Research Programs; Montana Tech of The University of Montana

c. ITEM 105-100-R1199 - Retirement Costs Revolving Account - New Policy

d. ITEM 105-103-R1199 - Revised Policy 940.29

This item adds Montana State University-Northern and Western Montana College of The University of Montana to the group of exempt institutions offering two year degrees.

e. ITEM 105-104-R1199 - Rural Physician Incentive Program; Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education

f. ITEM 105-1002-R1199 - Renaming of the Student Health Services Building; The University of Montana-Missoula

g. ITEM 105-2003-R1199 - Authorization to Grant a Permanent Easement to the Estate of John Shadoan and Dennis Rowe and a Temporary Easement to the Estate of John Shadoan and Dennis Rowe; Montana State University-Bozeman

h. ITEM 105-2701-R1199 - Authorization to Expend Student Equipment Fee Allocations; Montana State University-Billings

i. ITEM 104-1007-R1199 - Proposed Five Valleys Land Trust Contingent Reciprocal Easement
b. ITEM 105-1901-R1199 - Create Property Acquisition Zone; Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana

c. ITEM 106-300-R0100 - Placement Testing Fee; Flathead Valley Community College

d. ITEM 106-301-R0100 - Application Fee for Degree Seeking Students; Flathead Valley Community College

*Items c. and d. have already been approved by the Board of Trustees of FVCC in a three step process.*

e. ITEM 106-2701-R0100 - Authorization to Relocate a Softball Field; Montana State University-Billings

f. ITEM 106-2702-R0100 - Authorization to Relocate the Childcare Center; Montana State University-Billings

*Center is being relocated due to demolition of old facility. The program will be run by an outside agency.*

g. ITEM 106-2651-R0100 - A Revision To An Authorized Easement for Fiber Optic and Copper Cables for Electronic Delivery of Instruction Programming; Montana State University College of Technology-Great Falls

👩‍👩‍👦 Regent Jasmin MOVED for APPROVAL of Items a. – g.

✅ Motion APPROVED unanimously.

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ACADEMIC/STUDENTAFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

University of Montana-Missoula

Request from the Schools of Business Administration and Law at the University of Montana-Missoula to offer a joint program in law and business administration leading to the completion of two separate degrees, the Juris Doctor (JD) and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) in a shorter time than would normally be required if the degrees were taken consecutively.

Request from the Women's Studies Program to

- correct the title of the minor from Women and Gender Studies to Women's and Gender Studies,
- remove the upper-division writing requirement from the minor, and
- add Anthropology 265N and Sociology 220S to those listed to satisfy the lower division course requirements of the minor.

Requests from the University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology for changes to maintain currency of program and option titles for the Associate of Applied Science degrees as follows:

Microcomputing Technology (CIP #11.0301) to Computer Technology and under this major to retitle