May 27-28, 2010

### ITEM 147-1901-R0510

Authorization to Execute Purchase of Property; University of Montana-Helena College of Technology

### THAT

The Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes an increased purchase amount from \$115,000 to \$200,000 for the acquisition of properties located in the acquisitions zone of the UM-Helena College of Technology approved in Board of Regents Item 105-1901-R1199.

## **EXPLANATION**

- Board of Regent Item 105-1901-R1199 approved in January 2000 established an acquisition zone comprising the city block immediately east of the UMH Donaldson building located at 1115 North Roberts, Helena, MT. Item 105-1901-R1199 authorized UMH to purchase property for up to \$115,000.
- 2. Two pieces of property, 1535 Livingston and 1539 Livingston are currently advertised for sale.
- 3. UMH contracted to have two appraisals conducted on each of the properties. The appraisals on 1535 Livingston Ave. came in at \$140,000 and \$140,000. The appraisals on 1539 Livingston Ave. came in at \$170,000 and \$190,000
- 4. UMH currently owns and leases three other properties on the 1500 block of Livingston and Townsend avenues. An outstanding State of Montana InterCap loan related to those properties was paid off in full during fiscal year 2010.
- 5. UMH can utilize a combination of existing plant funds and new State of Montana InterCap loans to purchase the properties. The InterCap loan will be serviced by the rental income from all the properties owned on the 1500 block.
- 6. In order to facilitate the pursuit of acquiring these properties as they enter the market, UMH is requesting that the campus level of authority be increased to cover current market values. Purchases will be executed in accordance with the plan approved in Board of Regent Item 105-1901-R1199 including review and approval by UM Legal Counsel, the President of UM, and the Commissioner of Higher Education as appropriate.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Copy of Board of Regent Item 105-1901-R1199 Copy of appraisals



## MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

President Dennison assured the board that the September budget presentations will demonstrate where the funds have been used and how.

Regent Christian moved approval of action items a-e. Motion approved 7-0.

# **Project Requests**

- f. Proposal to Move LaPeak, Lommasson Building; UM-Missoula ITEM 147-1008-R0510
- g. Dining Services Kitchen HVAC Improvements; UM-Missoula ITEM 147-1009-R0510
- h. Approval to Construct Research Storage Facility at Flathead Lake Biological Station; UM-Missoula ITEM 147-1014-R0510
- Authorization to Execute Purchase of Property; UM-Helena COT ITEM 147-1901-R0510
- j. Authorization to Proceed with Residence Hall Wireless Project; MSU-Bozeman ITEM 147-2003-R0510
- k. Authorize Energy Audit for Auxiliaries Facilities; MSU-Bozeman ITEM 147-2004-R0510
- I. Authorization to Construct, Maintain, Repair and Replace Parking and Facilities; MSU-Billings ITEM 147-2702-R0510
- m. Authorization to Grant an Easement to Land and to Accept Grant of Land for Lewistown Campus; MSU-Northern ITEM 147-2803-R0510
- n. Authorization to Lease Portion of Fort Missoula to City of Missoula; UM-Missoula ITEM 147-1011-R0510

# Regent Christian moved approval of Project Requests f-n. Motion approved 7-0.

## Other

o. FY 12-13 MUS Present Law Budget Estimate; OCHE ITEM 147-117-R0510

Deputy Commissioner Robinson explained that the present law calculation will be forwarded to the executive budget planning process for the educational units totals \$8.2 million for the biennium for general operating increases; the MUS will also be requesting a funding increase for unfunded resident students of \$21,860,000 and there will be a request for present law increase for research agencies of \$698,000.

President Dennison added that the campuses need to know the regents' direction on how to address salary issues and that it needs to be included in the executive process.

Regent Christian moved approval of item 147-117-R0510. Motion passed 7-0.

p. FY 12-13 MUS Long Range Building Program; OCHE ITEM 147-116-R0510

Regent Christian moved approval of item 147-116-R0510. The list of major construction priorities will not be moved forward. Motion passed 7-0.

q. Montana Family Education Savings Plan (MFESP) Asset Transfer; OCHE ITEM 147-114-R0510

Regent Christian moved approval of item 147-114-R0510. Motion approved 7-0.