

May 23-24, 2018

**ITEM 179-2802-R0518****Request for authorization of the Montana Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee appointment**

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**THAT**

The Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes the appointment of Mr. Terrance Funk for a 4-year term to the Montana Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee.

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**EXPLANATION**

The Montana Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee (MMSAC) is established by statute to “advise the Board of Regents and the Department of Justice concerning motorcycle rider safety issues, motorcycle training, motorcycle endorsement testing, and other matters relating to motorcycle safety” [20-25-1004 MCA]. The MMSAC has five members appointed for terms of 4 years, one of whom must be a “certified instructor of motorcycle safety training, as provided in 20-25-1005, who is appointed by the Board of Regents” [20-25-1004(3)(b) MCA].

Mr. Terrance Funk is certified as a RiderCoach by the national Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF certification #106217), and currently enjoys an appointment by MSU-Northern as a temporary, part-time instructor of motorcycle safety training for Montana Motorcycle Rider Safety. Mr. Funk also was certified by MSF as a RiderCoach Trainer, and has trained many of the RiderCoaches currently working for MMRS.

Mr. Jim Morrow, Director of the Montana Motorcycle Rider Safety Program, personally knows Mr. Funk to be a talented, responsible, and dedicated instructor of motorcycle safety. He promotes motorcycle safety in his community and throughout Montana. In his work as a RiderCoach Trainer, Mr. Funk has distinguished himself among his peers with his broad knowledge of motorcycle safety training and ability to help individual RiderCoaches serve students better. He also has demonstrated that he has a broad view of the roles of rider training, highway safety, and licensing in improving the safety of Montana’s motorcycle riders. Mr. Jim Morrow is very confident that Mr. Funk would represent both MMRS and MSU-Northern with distinction, and that his presence on the MMSAC would further the cause of motorcycle safety in Montana.

Mr. Funk’s appointment to the Montana Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee for a four-year term is effective June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2022.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

None