

Attachment 1: Project Details (BOR Policy 1003.7)

This authority is for an amount greater than \$500,000, which requires the following additional information:

(a) Project Description:

The project will plan and design a new Art Facility at Montana State University Billings.

(b) Cost Estimate and Funding Sources:

Design/Consultant Fees	\$1,308,000
Construction	\$--
Furnishing & Equipment	\$--
<u>Administrative Costs & Contingency</u>	<u>\$342,000</u>
Total	\$1,650,000

Funding Sources: The project is authority only and will be paid for using non-state funds and private donors.

(c) Program Served, Enrollment Data, Projected Enrollment:

The new art building will provide the appropriate, well-equipped space our students need to fully engage in the art program. We anticipate enrollment growth once we transition out of the current facility. During its August 2024 audit following the April 2024 site visit, the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) noted that Montana State University Billings was not fully meeting the requirements outlined in NASAD Standard II, Section F.1.a. This standard specifies that facilities, equipment, and technology must be sufficient to support faculty needs, all curricular offerings, and the students enrolled in them, and must be adequately specialized for advanced work. The new building will directly address these facility-related deficiencies and better support student success.

(d) Space Utilization Data:

MSUB will provide space utilization data upon planning and design completion.

(e) Projected Use for Existing Space Made Available:

The current art facility was approved by the 68th Legislative Session to be demolished. The existing art building was built in 1965. Demolition of the current building was previously approved by the Board of Regents on 9/21/23, ITEM 208-2704-R0923. The current space does not meet standards for accreditation.

(f) Projected Operations & Maintenance Costs and Funding Sources:

The University received \$257,680 in new operation and maintenance funding for the building from the 69th Legislative Session in House Bill 5.