DATE: January 16, 1987
TIME: 7:50 a.m.
LOCATION: Office of Commissioner of Higher Education
33 South Last Chance Gulch
Helena, Montana

REGENTS PARTICIPATING BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:
Chairman Lind; Regents Kaze, Morrison, Birkenbuel, Redlin McCarthy

PRESENT IN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE:
Commissioner of Higher Education
Carrol Krause

REGENTS ABSENT: Hurwitz

Chairman Lind called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. Roll call was taken and it was determined a quorum was present.

Regents discussed the draft document sent to the Regents on January 13, 1987, which will comprise the Regents' response to SJR 1 passed by the 49th Legislative Assembly, Special Session. In addition to the response to SJR 1, the report included a summary of actions taken by the Regents in recent months as a result of the study compiled by the Commissioner's office, and sections on the administrative merger of the Cooperative Extension Service and the Agricultural Experiment Station; reports of the presidents to meet the proposed executive budget for the 1989 biennium;
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economic development; and an overview of the WICHE/WAMI service-payback issue.

Following the discussion, Regents made suggested revisions. Chairman Lind then called for a motion. Regent McCarthy moved the document be amended as discussed, and distributed to the legislature and others as outlined in the Commissioner's memorandum dated January 13, 1987 (on file). The motion carried unanimously.

Brief discussion was held on legislative matters, including the question of removal of fee waivers from statute. It was the consensus of the Board that the Education Subcommittee would be asked to sponsor a committee bill to remove all statutory fee waivers except the Native American fee waiver. It was also the consensus that if legislation was approved removing the fee waivers from statute, they would remain in Board policy as they are now until the Board had an opportunity for further review and discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Regents will be held on March 27, 1987, in Helena, Montana.

APPROVED:

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Chairman, Board of Regents of Higher Education, Montana University System

ATTEST:

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Secretary

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