

**ITEM 139-103-R0508**

**Approval of a New Policy 730, Minimum Qualifications for Faculty in Two-Year Degree Programs**

**THAT:**

The Board of Regents of Higher Education for the State of Montana approves a new Policy 730, Minimum Qualifications for Faculty in Two-Year Degree Programs, so there is one consistent statement for those faculty members throughout the Montana University System. The Board of Regents also repeals Policies 720 and 730.6, which currently establish minimum qualifications for faculty members at two-year institutions.

**EXPLANATION:**

The Montana Board of Regents currently has two (2) policies on its books that establish minimum qualifications for faculty at two-year institutions. One of those policies, 720, governs community college personnel; and the other policy 730.6, regulates faculty qualifications in the so-called Montana Technical System. The two policies are not equal in their expectations.

The new, proposed policy would replace those two policies. It creates consistent qualifications for faculty members, regardless of where they are employed in the Montana University System.

The proposed policy has been reviewed by the Two-Year Education Council, and has that Council's endorsement.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Proposed Policy 730  
Repealed Policies 720, 730.6