ITEM 147-119-R0510: REVISION OF POLICY 1910, VEHICLE POLICY

AND PROCEDURES

THAT: The Board of Regents of Higher Education hereby revises

Policy 1910, Vehicle Policy and Procedures, to reflect the

phase-out of full-size passenger vans.

EXPLANATION:

The Montana University System's Risk Assessment and Management Committee, a system-wide advisory committee appointed by the commissioner of higher education in late summer, 2009, has spent considerable time researching the replacement of full-size passenger vans in campus fleets for safety reasons. The campuses have need of a variety of 7-15 passenger vehicles for instructional, athletic and activities trips. Based on our research, as well as on the recommendations of the Montana Risk Management and Tort Defense Division, the commissioner of higher education recommends the phase-out of all full-size passenger vans (larger than 10 passengers, including the driver). Campus phase-out plans shall be presented to the commissioner of higher education no later than June 30, 2010.

Note that this policy will henceforth be codified in regents' policy as Policy 1002.2, Vehicle Policy and Procedures.

ATTACHMENT: Revised Policy 1910, Vehicle Policy and Procedures