

ITEM 149-1601-R1110

Revised Operating Budget – FY 2011: The University of Montana-Western

THAT

The Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes the amended fiscal year 2011 operating budget for The University of Montana-Western as submitted on the attached documentation.

EXPLANATION

As previously noted during the September 2010 Board of Regents meeting and budget presentation, The University of Montana-Western expects to exceed the enrollment and tuition projections used to develop the FY11 Budget. The original revenue estimate was based on projected 1,212 FTE and the revised revenue estimate is based on a projected FTE of 1,336. This represents an increase of 124 FTE over the original projection.

The additional tuition revenue associated with this in enrollment is estimated at \$578,000. The University of Montana-Western proposes to use the additional revenue as follows:

- Utilize \$210 thousand for instruction costs related to increased section requirements;
- Allocate \$23 thousand for increased waiver costs;
- Allocate \$13 thousand for incremental costs in academic and student support;
- Deposit \$332 thousand into the Reserve Revolving Account as permissible under Board Policy 901.15.

The approving authority for the university system is defined by 17-7-102(3)(f) M.C.A. to be the Board of Regents of Higher Education or its designated representative. Further, in accordance with 17-7-402(1)(a)(ii), the Board of Regents or its designated representative is the authority responsible for approving budget amendments for spending additional tuition collected.

ATTACHMENT

1. Revised FY 11 Enrollment and Expense Projections