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ITEM 148-2703-R0910

Student Equipment Fee Allocation; Montana State University Billings

THAT

Consistent with the provisions of Board of Regents' policy 940.26, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University Billings to expend Student Equipment Fee funds for the following projects that exceed the local approval threshold:

- College of Arts & Sciences - \$440,000 – various art, music and scientific equipment, instruments, classroom furnishings, and computer and projection equipment.
- College of Business - \$15,000 – digital sender equipment for business programs.
- College of Technology - \$350,000 – various equipment items for health sciences, power plant, automotive, diesel, fire sciences, construction, and computer technology programs.
- College of Allied Health Professions – \$6,000 – computer and recording equipment for health and athletic training programs.
- Library - \$65,000 – computer and interactive whiteboard equipment.
- Student Affairs and Academic Support Center - \$75,000 –classroom furnishings.
- Other academic areas – \$150,000 – gym equipment, electronic recording, training and computer equipment and software.

Total - \$1,101,000

EXPLANATION

Board of Regents' policy 940.26 requires Board approval of all purchases over \$25,000. The Student Equipment Fee Committee, whose membership includes 50 percent students, endorses this proposal. These updates/improvements directly benefit the University students and their learning environment. The equipment will provide a primary benefit to the educational program including library and other related capital acquisitions.