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The Board of Regents and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education have appointed an Affordability Taskforce to meet during the 2011-12 academic year. The Taskforce is charged with:

- 1. Utilizing data to recommend strategies for improving affordability in the MUS;
- Recommending approaches for improving communication and outreach about affordability of higher education in Montana; and
- 3. Recommending policies to facilitate a more coordinated system of financial aid and services.

The following bullets are examples of issues to be addressed by the Taskforce:

- 1. Increase system-wide use and understanding of financial aid information
- 2. Provide analysis and information on increasing student loan amounts, as well as possible reductions to Pell grants
- 3. Analyze the cost of attendance and improve communication strategies
- 4. Recommend process and/or policy changes for setting tuition in the MUS
- 5. Improve the affordability portion of the MUS Strategic Plan
- 6. Help shape the role of the Student Financial Services in OCHE's ARSA division

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