ITEM 156-2010-R0912 Authorization to Renovate Dining Hall Facilities – Montana State University Bozeman

THAT

Consistent with the provisions of MCA 18-2-102(2)(b) the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes MSU to proceed to solicit architects and to complete design of various projects to enhance dining facilities at the Bozeman campus. This Authorization is for \$1,600,000

EXPLANATION

- The programs, services and amenities provided to students by MSU's food service enterprise contribute to student success and retention; however, food service facilities at the Bozeman campus need to be upgraded to meet current student demands. MSU developed a business plan to renovate the three primary residence hall food service facilities (Miller Dining Hall, Hannon Dining Hall and Harrison Dining Hall) to improve services, functionality and aesthetics.
- 2. MSU's food service facilities are structurally sound, however, they fall noticeably short in offering a variety of service options in addition to the contemporary, aesthetically pleasing environment demanded by today's student residents.
- 3. MSU expects to perform a series of renovation and improvement projects in phases over the next 2-3 years, for an approximate total value of \$15,000,000.
- 4. These projects will be financed through a combination of Auxiliaries maintenance reserves and bond funds, the debt service for which will be paid from Auxiliary Operations Revenue (Renewal and Replacement Budget).
- 5. This request authorizes MSU to proceed to solicit architects and to complete design. MSU anticipates presenting a finance plan and requesting authority to sell bonds and proceed with construction at the May 2013 meeting of the Board of Regents.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - BOR Policy: Physical Plant B Section 1003.7