

May 21-22, 2015

**ITEM 167-2010-R0515**

**Authorization to Execute a Lease for the Montana State University Nursing Program at Kalispell**

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**THAT**

The Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to renew its lease for space to accommodate the MSU Nursing Program at Kalispell.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. The College of Nursing at Montana State University is a multi-campus college with the MSU College of Nursing curriculum being delivered in Billings, Bozeman, Great Falls, Kalispell and Missoula. The traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program is offered on all of the five campus sites. These communities possess health care facilities that provide the degree of complexity, size and diversity of patient population needed for upper division clinical experience. While the College's administrative offices are located on the MSU-Bozeman campus, each of the College's campuses has resident faculty who serve both undergraduate and graduate students.
2. The Kalispell program is operated as a partnership between MSU, Flathead Valley Community College, Kalispell Regional Medical Center and North Valley Hospital.
3. The Kalispell site has on average 8 full & part time faculty and 1 full time staff. The campus serves over 32 undergrads and approximately five grad students.
4. This authority allows this important MSU program to remain in existing space in close proximity to the two important area medical centers.
5. This lease will have an initial term of up to five (5) years, with the ability to execute multiple renewals at MSU's discretion, including a market-competitive adjustment factor. The lease is for 4198 sf of space and will cost approximately \$41,980 +/- per year.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

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