

May 21-22, 2015

ITEM 167-2014-R0515

Authorization to Execute a Lease for the Troops to Teachers Program; Montana State University

THAT

The Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to renew its lease for space to accommodate the Troops to Teachers program.

EXPLANATION

1. Troops to Teachers is a U.S. Department of Defense program that helps eligible military personnel begin a new career as teachers in public schools where their skills, knowledge and experience are most needed. The program is designed to help address the current and projected nationwide teacher shortage while supporting veterans seeking new career paths. Over 18,000 Troops to Teachers participants have been hired nationally in public schools through the program.
 2. Montana is a current one of seven states served by the Lewis & Clark Region of the Troops to Teachers program. The Lewis & Clark Troops to Teachers program at Montana State University is funded by the U.S. Department of Defense and managed by the MSU College of Education, Health & Human Development. The program helps connect individuals with information, institutions and the people that can help participants navigate and meet state certification requirements and ultimately find a teaching position.
 3. This authority allows this important MSU program to remain in existing space in close proximity to the MSU campus.
 4. This lease will begin on October 1, 2015 and be for an initial term of one year, with the ability to execute five (5) one-year renewals at MSU's discretion, including a market-competitive adjustment factor. The lease is for 2,220 sf of space and will cost approximately \$32,000 +/- per year.
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ATTACHMENTS

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