Level II Action Items November 2018

From: Deputy Commissioner Brock Tessman

To: Board of Regents

Please see below for an executive overview of the Level II items that are being proposed for your review and action at the November 2018 meeting of the Board of Regents. These items have been submitted by the campuses and reviewed by the Chief Academic Officers of the Montana University System and community colleges. OCHE staff has reviewed the items and provided a short analysis below relying on information submitted by the campuses. For more information and specific details on each item, please see the supporting documentation included on the Academic, Research, and Student Affairs Committee agenda.

## **Dawson Community College**

## A.A.S. Degree and embedded Certificates in Technical Studies

Dawson Community College requests authorization to offer one-semester Certificates of Technical Studies (C.T.S. Tier I, II, III, and IV), a Certificate of Applied Science (C.A.S.), and an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Technical Skills. These programs will provide a flexible curriculum for students who wish to accrue a suite of trade and technical skills useful in the agriculture, oil & safety, and construction occupations and related fields common in the Glendive area and Eastern Montana. Technical skills courses will be paired with a core of mathematics, business, computer and writing courses meant to impart broadly useful skill sets, including 'soft' skills. Course offerings build on trade and general education programs currently taught at Dawson Community College, so no large new expenditures are envisioned.

OCHE Staff Recommendation: Approve

## **Montana State University - Bozeman**

Rename the Western Lands & People's Center to the Ivan Doig Center for the Study of the Lands and Peoples of the North American West

Carol Doig, Ivan's wife of 50 years, has made a \$1M Planned Gift and a \$100,000 recurring, annual commitment to support the Western Lands and Peoples Center in honor of her late husband Ivan Doig, which will cover 100% of the Center's annual operating costs. This request conforms to Montana University System Board of Regent's Naming Policy, Montana State University's Commemorative Tributes Policy and Montana State University Alumni Foundation's Philanthropic Naming Guidelines.

OCHE Staff Recommendation: Approve