

May 15-16, 2024

**ITEM 212-2702-R0524**

**Request for Authorization to Construct Temporary Art Classrooms; Montana State University Billings**

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**THAT**

Consistent with the Board's authority to manage and control the Montana University System, the provisions of Board of Regents Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes Montana State University Billings to expend up to \$750,000 toward the design and construction of a temporary art building on the Montana State University Billings campus.

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**EXPLANATION**

The current Art facility was approved by the 68th Legislative Session to be demolished. The existing Art Building was built in 1965. Demolition of the current building was previously approved by the Board of Regents on 9/21/23, ITEM 208-2704-R0923.

Temporary classrooms are required to meet the needs of our students for participating in art classes until a permanent solution for the Art Program is accomplished.

Temporary classrooms may be rented modular units, redesign of existing space or construction of new classroom space.

The University will coordinate this project with the State A/E Division.

Funding will come from non-state funds, community partnerships and private donors.

This request is for authority to spend up to \$750,000 for the design, construction, moving costs and other related expenditures for temporary classrooms.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

None