

MINUTES OF BOARD OF REGENTS
OF HIGHER EDUCATION
MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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The Board of Regents of Higher Education convened at 11:15 a.m. Friday, November 2, 1979, in Room 1-110, Wilson Hall, Montana State University, Bozeman, Montana. The meeting was called to order by Chairman James. Also present were: Lewy Evans, Shelley Hopkins, Jeff Morrison, Mary Pace, and Commissioner of Higher Education John A. Richardson.

Chairman James called for corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. There being none, the minutes of the September 10, 1979 meeting were approved.

Chairman James stated that, because the committee reports would not be ready for presentation until after the noon recess, the agenda would be revised to begin the meeting with Agendum V, New Business.

Jeff Morrison moved that the following gubernatorial appointments to Local Executive Boards be confirmed:

Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology

John W. Whelan, Butte, to a term ending the third Monday in April 1982. (Reappointment 9-14-79)

University of Montana

Alex M. Stepanzoff, Missoula, to a term ending the third Monday in April 1982. (Reappointment 9-14-79)

Northern Montana College

Peter Hamilton, Havre, to a term ending the third Monday in April 1982. (Reappointment 9-14-79)

Western Montana College

Bruce Watters, Dillon, to a term ending the third Monday in April 1982. (Reappointment 9-14-79)

Mary Pace expressed the Board's appreciation to the appointees for their service to the Montana University System. The motion for confirmation carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Morrison, the appointment of Professor Frank Kelly to the Montana Tech Faculty Service Committee as the Regents' appointee was approved.

Commissioner Richardson asked that William J. Lannan report on the current status of the Guaranteed Student Loan Program and the meeting of the Advisory Council held on October 16, 1979. Mr. Lannan distributed a memorandum to the Regents dated October 23, 1979 which set out the duties of the Council and the Regents under state law and detailed those present at the Advisory Council meeting who made presentations. Mr. Lannan called the Regents' attention to the issues the Advisory Council will be considering as set out on page 3 of the memorandum, and set out the following proposed timetable of items the Regents will be considering in calendar 1980: January 1980 - Regents consider guarantee agency's organization, expenses, and request for proposal specifications for nonprofit service agencies; March 1980 - Determine which nonprofit service agency will provide service to guarantee agency and award contract; and June 1980 - Approve regulations for operation of the program and authorization to consummate agreement with the Office of Education. Mr. Lannan stated that the forecast now is that the Guaranteed Student Loan Program will be operational in Montana in July 1980.

Regent Hopkins thanked Mr. Lannan for the work he has put into the organization of the program, and noted that, if there are questions from the Regents on the implementation of the program, they should be asked now as there are many students counting on this program to finance their education in Fall 1980.

Commissioner Richardson stated that discussion of the GSL will be placed on the agenda of the November 16 meeting of the Council of President, and that consideration will be given to hiring a person with the expertise necessary to determine the operational and administrative functions of the guarantee agency.

Commissioner Richardson reported on the allocation of \$20,000 to Western Montana College for handicapped accessibility projects, stating that following meetings with the Department of Administration, a memorandum had been received from George Bousliman, Director of Budget and Program Planning, which set out a procedure to provide that the project at Western will fall within the general intent of the appropriation.

Commissioner Richardson noted for informational purposes that the meeting of the Regents on January 7, 1980 may require an extensive Curriculum Committee meeting, and possibly will be extended to a two-day meeting.

Larry Dodge spoke to the Regents on the Community-University Experimental Series (CUES) Proposal. Mr. Dodge outlined the proposal which he had presented earlier to the Council of Presidents, and spoke to various objections he had received from campuses. He requested that the Regents exempt CUES from the minimal credit hour fee set out in Item 17-008-R0777, Continuing Education; Non-Credit Programs, Montana University System, (REVISED). Regent Mary Pace moved that the CUES proposal be placed on the agenda of the Curriculum Committee. Motion carried.

The Council of Presidents and the Faculty Association had no report.

Pat Davison, Chairman of the Student Advisory Council reported on the Student Government Workshop held at Chico Hot Springs on October 26, 27 and 28. Mr. Davison further reported that the Student Advisory Council is initiating two studies, one on the use of student fees for athletics at Western Montana College, and the other on the 19-year old drinking law. They will report back to the Board on these matters in January.

On motion of Mary Pace, the following items were approved:

Item 25-100A-R1179,	<u>Staff, University of Montana</u>
Item 25-103-R1179,	<u>Resolution Concerning the Retirement of Perry F. Roys, Professor of Management, University of Montana</u>
Item 25-110-R1179,	<u>Degrees, University of Montana 1978-1979</u>

On motion of Lewy Evans, the following items were approved:

Item 25-200-R1179, Staff, Montana State University
amended as follows:

delete - page 1	Barbara Buckelew, MS Asst Prof Nursing (duplicate from 9-10-79 Agenda)
- page 2	<u>TO REPLACE</u>
delete	Dayton
add	Jutila
- page 3	Nancy Medenwald, MS Asst Prof Nursing (duplicate from 9-10-79 Agenda)

Item 25-201-R1179, Retirement of Phyllis B. Hillard,
Montana State University

Item 25-202-R1179, Retirement of David Wessel;
Montana State University

On motion of Mary Pace, the following items were approved:

Item 25-300-R1179, Staff, Agricultural Experiment Station
Item 25-400-R1179, Staff, Cooperative Extension Service
Item 25-500-R1179, Staff, Montana College of Mineral
Science and Technology
Item 25-501-R1179, Retirement of Professor Joseph Murray;
Montana College of Mineral Science
and Technology
Item 25-500A-R1179, Staff, Montana Bureau of Mines and
Geology
Item 25-600-R1179, Staff, Western Montana College
Item 25-700-R1179, Staff, Eastern Montana College
Item 25-800A-R1179, Staff, Northern Montana College

On motion of Lewy Evans, the following item was approved:

Item 25-900-R1179, Staff, Commissioner of Higher Education.

The Board recessed at noon to reconvene at 1:30.

The Board reconvened at 1:30 p.m. In addition to those members who were present for the morning session, Regent Jack Peterson was present for the afternoon session.

The Collective Bargaining Committee recommended that the Board ratify the contracts negotiated between the United Food and Commercial Workers' International Union Local Number 991 and the Butte Teamsters' Union Local No. 2 and the Montana University System with units in Bozeman and Missoula. Mr. Morrison so moved. The motion carried.

The committee further recommended that the Board ratify the modification of the agreement (Tentative Agreement) with the University of Montana faculty. Mr. Morrison so moved. The motion carried.

Mr. Jeff Morrison, Chairman of the Budget Committee, moved that the following items be approved.

- Item 25-007-R1179, Budget Amendments
Agricultural Experiment Station
Cooperative Extension Service
Montana State University
- Item 25-008-R1179, Educational Service Fee - Joint Master
of Public Administration Program (Helena);
Montana University System
- Item 25-004-R1179, Relinquishment of Course Fees for
Fully Sponsored Programs; Montana
University System

The motion carried.

Mary Pace reported that the By-Laws and Policy Committee recommended that the following items be approved:

- Item 21-003-R0778, Appeals; Montana University System
(REVISED)
- Item 25-005-R1179, Copyrights; Montana University System
- Item 17-007-R0777, Continuing Education; Credit Programs
Montana University System (REVISED)
- Item 17-008-R0777, Continuing Education; Non-Credit Programs;
Montana University System (REVISED)
- Item 25-006-R1179, Montana Center for Gerontology,
Montana University System

Amendment:

amended as follows:
Insert the following sentence in Section C(1), page 3:

"The board will evaluate and make recommendations to the administrative head of the lead institution for timely distribution of grants."

She so moved. The motion carried.

Mr. Lewy Evans, Chairman of the Capital Construction Committee, moved that the following items be approved:

Item 25-104-R1179, Authorization to Plan and to Complete Parking Lot, University of Montana

Item 25-208-R1179, Planning of an Experimental Animal Facility; Montana State University

Item 25-209-R1179, Request for Approval of the Following Names for the Montana State University Campus: Breeden Fieldhouse; Atkinson Quadrangle; Plew Physical Plant; Howard Hall; J.C. Taylor Hall; Montana State University

The motion carried.

Mr. Evans reported that the Capital Construction Committee recommended that the Architectural Appointments report presented by Mr. A. van Teylingen be accepted, and that the portion of Mr. van Teylingen's report recommending that legislation be drafted for presentation in the next legislative session which would allow flexibility in the requirements governing hiring of architects for projects over \$25,000 be referred to the full Board. He so moved. The motion carried.

Mr. Evans reported that Mr. van Teylingen had presented an addition to the agenda of the Capital Construction Committee in the form of a memorandum dated October 31, 1979 re: Financial Problems, Remodel Old Gym, Montana Tech. The bidding cost estimate in the memorandum is attached to these minutes as Attachment A and incorporated by reference. The Capital Construction Committee recommended that the bidding procedure be approved, and that completion of the project be presented to the legislature as a high priority item. Mr. Evans so moved. The motion carried.

Mary Pace, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee, moved that the following item be approved:

Item 25-204-R1179, Authorization to Grant Undergraduate Minor in Native American Studies for Students Seeking Bachelors' Degrees; Montana State University

The motion carried.

Ms. Pace moved that the following items be withdrawn:

Item 9-805-R0775, Request for Authority to Offer an Associate of Science Degree in Recreation Technology; Northern Montana College

Item 19-201-R0178, M.S. in Engineering Mechanics; Montana State University
(Superseded by Item 25-203-R1179)

The motion carried.

Mary Pace reported the Curriculum Committee recommended that the following items be referred to the Commissioner's office for review and recommendation:

Item 25-203-R1179, Authorization to Grant the Degrees of Master of Science in Engineering Mechanics, Montana State University

Item 25-205-R1179, Authorization to Grant the Degree of Master of Science in Land Rehabilitation; Montana State University

Item 25-206-R1179, Authorization to Grant the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Education; Montana State University

Item 25-207-R1179, Authorization to Grant the Degrees of Master of Science in Statistics and Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics; Montana State University

Item 25-105-R1179, Approval of the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics and Philosophy at the University of Montana

Item 25-106-R1179, Approval of the Degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance at the University of Montana

Item 25-601-R1179, Degree in Human Resource Management; Western Montana College

She so moved. The motion carried.

Shelley Hopkins reported the Curriculum Committee recommendation that the portion of Dr. Irving Dayton's report on progress of program reviews dealing with the issue of review of the film and tv program at MSU and journalism at U of M be referred to the full Board. She so moved. The motion carried.

Regent Morrison requested Commissioner Richardson to state his opinion. Commissioner Richardson explained that he had been advised by staff that if the program review is finished by the March meeting of the Board there would be sufficient time to implement whatever decision was reached and prepare a capital construction request in time to meet the executive branch deadline. He further explained that in order to have the review completed by the March meeting it would be necessary to move the film and tv review ahead of the reviews on home economics and social work. The outcome of those two reviews is important to the University of Montana in preparing its plans to meet its budgetary obligations. Commissioner Richardson recommended the Board direct that the film and tv and journalism review be brought to the March meeting of the Board. This would enable the Board to make a decision on facilities and place it in the capital construction program. President Tietz voiced an objection to any further delay stating that the decision had been abeyance for nearly four years. He asked that the Board give MSU permission to proceed.

Regent Shelley Hopkins then moved to accept the Commissioner's recommendation to bring the completed program review to the Board at the March meeting.

Chairman James stepped down as Chairman and requested Vice Chairman Mary Pace chair the meeting. Mr. James then made a substitute motion that the film and tv building be located at Montana State University in Bozeman and the staff is directed to initiate the planning process authorized under House Bill 417 of the 1979 Session Laws utilizing "other appropriated funds" not to exceed \$225,000.

Mr. Peterson stated objections, noting he was skeptical if the Board would receive funds from the legislature for a building

without justification for the request based on a program review which would answer the legislature's questions concerning duplication. Mr. James stated he is convinced there are indeed two separate programs and that the Board should state firmly to the legislature that it wants the film and tv building at MSU. Ms. Hopkins said she would find it hard to explain to faculty who have been working on the review that the Board had changed its mind about the need for the review. This would be demoralizing to the faculty who have been involved in the review. She stated that the issue under discussion is not the location of the building, but whether to proceed with the review.

Mr. James and Ms. Pace both stated that the Board had made the decision several times in the past to place the building at MSU and had so testified before the legislature. Mr. James said he believed the issue to be decided now is not that of program review, but rather where the Board believes the building should be placed and commitment of the planning funds in time to meet the capital construction deadlines. President Bowers said he felt that decision would impact the University of Montana's number one priority which is the fine arts building. The University believes there is a question of program duplication and that is why they are asking for review of the programs. Regent Morrison said he believed it is possible to justify both programs if they are indeed unique. Ms. Pace stated her concern is the effect on campus incentive. The MSU program is a technical, creative film-tv program, not a journalism program. Missoula can go on a totally different thrust.

The question was called on Mr. James' substitute motion and the motion passed with Regents James, Evans and Morrison voting yes and Regents Hopkins and Peterson voting no.

It was the consensus of the Board that the above action did not disrupt the schedule of program reviews established at its June 25, 1979 meeting.


The Community College and Vocational Education Committee had no report.

As requested by the Board, President Bowers reported on the University of Montana's budget status. He stated that UM's appropriation for the 1979-80 fiscal year includes eight positions which will not be funded in 1980-81. Depending on enrollments, it may be necessary to reduce a few additional positions to reach the 19:1 formula. In addition, the University recognizes the need to reallocate resources. President Bowers then read the prepared statement into the record which is attached to these minutes as Attachment B.

President Bowers responded to questions from the Board, stating that the administration at the University will be able to make a decision in two months whether there are other alternatives to program elimination or curtailment in order to meet its budget next year.

The meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:


Chairman, Regents of Higher Education,
Montana University System


Secretary