## MINUTES OF BOARD OF REGENTS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Conference Call October 2, 1980

The Board of Regents of Higher Education convened by telephone conference call at 9:12 a.m. on Thursday, October 2, 1980. Regents present: Ted James, Lewy Evans, Jack Peterson, Lola Hansen and Shelley Hopkins. Regents absent: Jeff Morrison and Mary Pace. Also present was Commissioner of Higher Education John A. Richardson.

Commissioner Richardson explained that the conference call meeting was requested by Eastern Montana College for approval of Item 29-701-R1080 Purchase of Real Property, Eastern Montana College. The Commissioner stated that the Item could not be presented at the regular October meeting because the property is being sold to settle the estate of Bernice M. Hart, and under the Will, Eastern Montana College has the right to meet a good faith offer of purchase. The estate has received such an offer, and will hold Eastern's opportunity to purchase open only until October 15, 1980. The property is within the area for purchase as outlined in the Long Range Campus Plan to provide for campus expansion submitted to the Board of Regents in December, 1972. Authority to negotiate for and purchase property contiguous to or in close proximity to EMC was granted to the president of Eastern Montana College under Board Item 217-701. The purchase price is \$105,000, and funds for the purchase will come from monies acquired from the rental of other properties of the college and from rentals generated from the subject property.

After brief discussion on the proposed use of the property and questions of law, Regent Jack Peterson moved that Item 29-701-R1080, Purchase of Real Property, Eastern Montana College, be approved subject to its being in conformance with State law. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Chairman, Regents of Higher Education

Montana University System

Secretary