

DATE: May 15, 2001

TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Ronald P. Sexton

Chancellor, Montana State University-Billings

RE: Campus Report for the May, 2001, Board of Regents' Meeting

FY 2001 contract with the faculty union settled.

- On May 5, 2001, MSU-Billings graduated 969 students, the largest class in its history.
- Partnerships in all areas are being developed with Miles Community College.
- Distance delivery for spring semester, 2001, had registration of 439 students for an fte of 147.08.
- Our Student Opportunity Services Trio Grant was renewed for four years with an increase in funding.
- For the first time this year, all five colleges held convocations on campus on the Friday before graduation. Over 1400 students, family members and friends attended the five convocations.
- In April our campus chapter of Habitat for Humanity in conjunction with ASMSU-B erected a shed on campus for use at habitat sites and staged a "Box Town" event where students slept outside overnight to raise awareness of the plight of homeless citizens.
- Fifth Annual Model United Nations Security Council Meeting was held at Montana State University-Billings on Monday, May 7th, 2001. Ms. Jacqueline Willis, JP, Hong Kong Commissioner to the United States was the keynote speaker.
- College of Technology's National Advisory Council met on Thursday, May 3, 2001, to begin preparation of a "business plan" for the College of Technology.
- The students of Montana State University-Billings elected Jennifer Gerondale, Bryce Anderson, Cody McLees, Christina Sprague and Nichole Alley to the post of President, Vice-President, Business Manager, Student Resolution Officer and ASMSU-B University Events Coordinator for the 2001-2002 academic year.
- The Montana State University-Billings Foundation received a large contribution toward the establishment of a childcare and enrichment center on the University campus.
- Mr. Stan Lynde, Cartoonist, Author and Creator of "Rick O'Shay" and "Latigo" was the Commencement Speaker for the 74th Commencement, May 5, 2001. President Geoffrey Gamble, MSU-Bozeman and Regent Richard Roehm were members of the platform party.
- The 2002-2003 year will be the year of the 75th Anniversary of Montana State University-Billings.