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## ITEM 119-115-R0503

TO: Board of regents FROM: Laurie Neils DATE: May 1, 2003

**RW:** Tuition – Community Colleges – fy2004

## MCA 20-15-105 requires the Board of Regents to approve tuition and fees rates for the Community Colleges.

**20-15-105.** Courses of instruction -- tuition and fees. (1) A community college district shall provide instruction in academic, occupational, and adult education, subject to the approval of the board of regents of higher education. The board of trustees of such district may, in their discretion and upon approval of the board of regents, prescribe:

- (a) tuition rates for in-district students, out-of-district students who are residents of the state of Montana, and students who are not residents of the state of Montana;
  - (b) matriculation charges; and
  - (c) incidental fees, including building fees, for students in the community college.
- (2) In addition thereto, such board of trustees may prescribe such other fees as it considers necessary to maintain courses, taking into consideration such other funds as may be available under law for the support of such courses.

## <u>Dawson Community College</u> – no proposed increases

<u>Miles Community College</u> – raising tuition by \$15.00 per credit for all students and mandatory fees by \$5.00 per credit. The \$5.00 mandatory fee increase is composed of a per credit increase of: \$.50 Student Center Operations Fee; \$2.00 Central Operations Fee; \$.50 Computer Fee; \$.50 Instructional Equipment Fee; \$.50 Administrative Computer Fee; \$.50 Student Senate Fee; \$.50 Athletics Fee.

<u>Flathead Valley Community College</u> – 7% tuition increase for all students; no increase in mandatory fees