

July 14-15, 2005

ITEM 128-2002-R0705

**Authorization to Expend Equipment Fees; Montana State University-Bozeman**

**THAT:**

The Board of Regents of Higher Education hereby authorizes Montana State University-Bozeman to expend Student Equipment Fee funds for upgrading University equipment. Total cost of the equipment purchases is \$408,455.

**EXPLANATION:**

In accordance with Board of Regents Equipment Fee Policy 940.26, expenditure of Equipment Fees for projects in excess of \$25,000 requires authorization by the Board of Regents. The proposed purchases include the following:

<u>College/Dept.</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Media/Theatre Arts	Equipment upgrade	\$37,222
Mech/Industrial Engin.	Machine tech/mfg. lab equip.	62,595
Earth Science	Petrographic microscopes	85,700
KUSM	Teleprompter/scripting equipment	30,000
ITC	Update/maintain smart podiums	124,644
Registrar	Classroom equipment maintenance	30,000
BTC	BTC classroom equip maintenance	<u>38,294</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$408,455</b>

Allocations were based on unanimous recommendations by the Equipment Allocation Committee. The committee is comprised of faculty, students, and administrators.