

September 13-14, 2017

**ITEM 176-1005-R0917**

**Request for authorization to remodel Liberal Arts Building west classrooms, restrooms, and electrical upgrade – University of Montana-Missoula**

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**THAT**

In accordance with Board of Regents Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes the University of Montana – Missoula to expend up to \$2,000,000 for the Remodel of Liberal Arts Basement.

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**EXPLANATION**

The University of Montana-Missoula obtained a private gift for the remodel of 5 classrooms on the west end of the Academic core facing the Oval. The west restrooms are also to be remodeled and an overall building electrical upgrade is required. Funding for the project will come from the UM Foundation. The 65<sup>th</sup> Legislature HB 5 approved \$6.0M authority only for the remodel of Liberal Arts Building in anticipation of private donor funding being made available for remodel work. This request falls in line with the Legislative approval granted.

This authority request is for an amount greater than \$350,000, which requires the following additional information:

(a) Project Description:

The work performed under this authority encompasses the remodel of five classrooms on the west end of Liberal Arts Building that face the Oval, the west set of restrooms and an overall building electrical upgrade. The power upgrade is urgently required as the existing supply is maxed out & cannot support any new loads. This work follows recent private gifts from the same donor that have been effectively and efficiently used to remodel seven classrooms and four student lounges with new room finishes, air conditioning, windows and presentation technology for students and faculty. This next gift seeks to continue that process of upgrading classrooms and technology for students using the Liberal Arts Building.

(b) Cost estimate and Funding Sources:

Construction	\$ 1,500,000.00
Architect/Engineering Fees	\$ 140,000.00
Presentation Technology equipment	\$ 150,000.00
City Fees, Data equip., work orders	\$ 30,000.00
Supervisory Fee	\$ 40,000.00
Contingency	<u>\$ 140,000.00</u>
<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,000,000.00</b>

This project will be financed as follows:

UM Foundation \$2,000,000

(c) Programs served, enrollment data, projected enrollments:

The Liberal Arts Building houses a large portion of the College of Humanities and Sciences classrooms and faculty along with central IT staff and core equipment. Very little has been done to upgrade the classrooms until the recent arrival of private gift funds that were used to spearhead the renovation of six classrooms along a vertical “corridor” for two new classrooms per floor for faculty/student use. With the success of this Phase I remodel, the donor provided more funds in Phase II to remodel Auditorium 011, basement spaces vacated by central IT, four student lounges and a new entryway facing the Oval. This new gift for Phase III seeks to continue the donor’s personal commitment to improving student life, success and experience at the Liberal Arts Building by remodeling and modernizing the old classrooms and providing new room finishes, restoring the large historical windows facing the Oval, technology and air-conditioning.

(d) Space Utilization Data:

Between 3,600 to 4,000 students, faculty, staff and general public come in and out of Liberal Arts Building per school day.

(e) Projected use for available residual space:

N/A

(f) Projected O&M Costs and proposed funding sources:

(no O&M request)

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## ATTACHMENTS

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