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The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Regarding Board of Regents
March 23, 2011
Senate Bill SB31-10/11
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Whereas the relationship between the Associated Students of The University of Montana
and the Board of Regents is a mutual partnership;

Whereas the Montana Board of Regents has stated that they will not talk about possible
raises in tuition until after the end of the current legislative session;

Whereas the 2011 Montana Legislature has proposed to cut approximately 32 million
dollars for the Montana University System Budget;

Whereas the current cuts to Higher Education have been predicted by the Governor’s
Office and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education to cause around a 16 – 19
percent raise in current tuition rates;

Whereas it is essential for students to be financially prepared for possible raises in tuition;

Whereas students cannot be prepared if they do not have an estimate provided by the
Board of Regents;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana
urges the Board of Regents to begin the necessary discussions on the potential tuition
hikes with both The Montana University System’s Students and the Montana Legislature
immediately.

Therefore Let It Be Further Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of
Montana urge other student governments to ask the Board of Regents to begin this
discussion immediately.

Passed by Committee: _____________________________, 2011

Passed by ASUM Senate: ___________________________, 2011

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Travis Suzuki, Amanda Stovall,
Relations and Affairs Chair Chair of the Senate