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3 **THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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5 Utilization of Montana School Boards Association

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7 The Board is a dues-paying member of the Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA).

8 Since the Association provides a variety of dues-based benefits and services in response to

9 members' needs and develops and implements a legislative program at the direction of its

10 members, Board members are encouraged to participate in the governance and dues-based

11 services of the Association.

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13 Given the complex nature of both state and federal laws applicable to school districts and the

14 vast resources available through MTSBA to assist our school district as a member, it is essential

15 to the governance and operations of our District that the Board of Trustees and administration

16 take advantage of the dues-based services available through MTSBA on legal, policy, human

17 resource, collective bargaining, training, advocacy and other issues that impact and affect our

18 District.

19 Therefore the Board of Trustees directs trustees and the administration to maximize the value of

20 our membership dues through use of the dues-based services available through MTSBA on

21 routine legal matters, policy issues, collective bargaining matters, human resource, training and

22 advocacy matters. Prior approval from the Board is required prior to expending District funds on

23 services that are otherwise available through MTSBA without a charge beyond dues.

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25 Legal Reference: § 20-1-211, MCA Expenses of officers or employees attending

26 conventions – education associations

27 Policy History:

28 Adopted on:

29 Reviewed on:

30 Revised on: