FY2014 Annual Report on Real Estate & Lease Activity
Prepared for the Board of Trustees
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Board Policies 801 and 802 governing property acquisitions and disposal require an annual information report on acquisitions and dispositions of real property to be prepared for the Board of Trustees. This summary and attachment comprise the report for FY2014.

SUMMARY

Real Estate Transactions:

Two properties were acquired. A gift of 75 acres and a building from Raynold and Sandra Gauvin of Mapleton intended to benefit the University of Maine at Presque Isle was accepted by the Board of Trustees on September 23, 2013. Also, the University acquired approximately 58 acres to be added to the Hirundo Wildlife Preserve as part of a legal settlement and as approved by the Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee pursuant to the Trustees delegation of authority matrix on February 14, 2014.

Lease Transactions:

As a Lessor, the University is engaged in agreements covering uses such as early education and childcare centers, research labs, innovation offices, and cell tower locations.

As a Lessee, agreements include uses such as athletic fields, radio tower space, university college centers, office space, parking facilities, research locations and utility purposes.

The net change in lease activity was relatively nominal. Compared with the prior year, the University’s costs were reduced approximately $22,000 or 1.3 percent statewide. Total revenue was down approximately $3,700 or less than 1 percent statewide.

In addition to the normal ebb and flow of lease costs, this year’s approximate $22,000 overall decline in annualized costs is explained largely by the ending of a $76,000 lease for sensor technology research and support space in Orono for the University of Maine and a $43,000 increase in cost associated with a new lease for the University of Maine Museum of Art in Bangor as approved by Trustees May 19, 2014.

Details are attached.

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