AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. NAME OF ITEM: New Academic Program: B.A. in the Human Dimensions of Climate Change, UM

2. INITIATED BY: James H. Page, Chancellor

3. BOARD INFORMATION: BOARD ACTION: X

4. BACKGROUND:

The University of Maine is proposing the creation of a B.A. in the Human Dimensions of Climate Change. Climate Change is a very important focus area in both research and education at the University of Maine and this degree would provide an opportunity for the university to attain national distinction for this innovative program. This program requires no additional fiscal or equipment resources and represents a program developed within the context of existing resources. The program proposal is included. The full curricula vitae of the faculty involved can be accessed at www.maine.edu/UMTrusteesmeetings.

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee, at their June 27, 2014 meeting, forwarded the program proposal to the Consent Agenda of the Board of Trustees.

5. TEXT OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION

That the Board of Trustees approve the creation of a B.A. in the Human Dimensions of Climate Change at the University of Maine.