AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. NAME OF ITEM: Change to a Major Unit, UM

2. INITIATED BY: Gregory G. Johnson, Chair

3. BOARD INFORMATION: BOARD ACTION: X

4. BACKGROUND:

In 2011, then-President Robert Kennedy approved several major cost-cutting recommendations of the Academic Program Prioritization Working group. These recommendations included the elimination of Public Administration and related policy programs and moving the Health program (nursing) to the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture. Only the Maine Business School remains from the original unit.

The University of Maine is requesting the approval of two organizational changes: the elimination of the College of Business, Public Policy, and Health and that the Maine Business School be left as a stand-alone unit headed by the Dean. There will be no additional impact on budget or personnel due to the major unit elimination alone.

5. TEXT OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION

That the Academic and Student Affairs Committee forward the recommendations for change of a major unit submitted by the University of Maine to the Consent Agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting on September 22, 2014