

## UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM TRUSTEES TO MEET IN BANGOR ON JANUARY 10

BANGOR—The University of Maine System Board of Trustees will meet on Monday, January 10, at the System office located at 16 Central Street in downtown Bangor.

Items to be reviewed and considered by Trustees include:

- Creation of a Ph.D. in Anthropology and Environmental Policy at UMaine and a Master of Science degree in Early Childhood Education at the University of Maine at Farmington;
- Energy upgrade projects at the University of Southern Maine's Bailey Hall, Luther Bonney Hall, and Science Building, funded by general obligation bonds approved by Maine voters in June 2010;
- Selection of a provider to develop a web portal.

At the meeting, Trustees will also receive a draft business plan on distance education, a presentation on System-wide capital facilities renewal and trends, and review an updated version of the System's information technology security plan.

Trustees will also be presented with the University of Maine System's annual report on degrees conferred, which highlights several statistics:

- 5,484 degrees were awarded during the 2009-10 academic year, an increase of 95 degrees over the previous year;
- Degrees were awarded at the following levels—75% baccalaureate, 17% masters, 5% associate, and 3% at the doctorate level (including law degrees);
- The most popular academic disciplines are education, health professions, and business management;
- Since the System's creation in 1968, a total of 188,843 degrees have been conferred.

The complete agenda for the November UMS Board of Trustees meeting may be viewed at: http://www.maine.edu/pdf/CommitteescheduleandagendaJan102011.pdf.

Established in 1968, the University of Maine System is the state's largest educational enterprise. It has an annual enrollment of more than 42,000 students and serves over 500,000 individuals annually through educational and cultural offerings. Nearly two-thirds of its alumni—nearly 120,000 people—live in Maine. The University of Maine System features seven universities—some with multiple campuses—located across the state, as well as nine University College outreach centers, a law school, and an additional 75 interactive distance learning sites. For more information, visit www.maine.edu.

All Board meetings are open to the public. Persons with disabilities who need accommodations to attend should call Michael Sauda, acting director of facilities management and planning, at 973-3335 (voice) or 973-3262 (TDD/TDY) or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:sauda@maine.edu">sauda@maine.edu</a>.