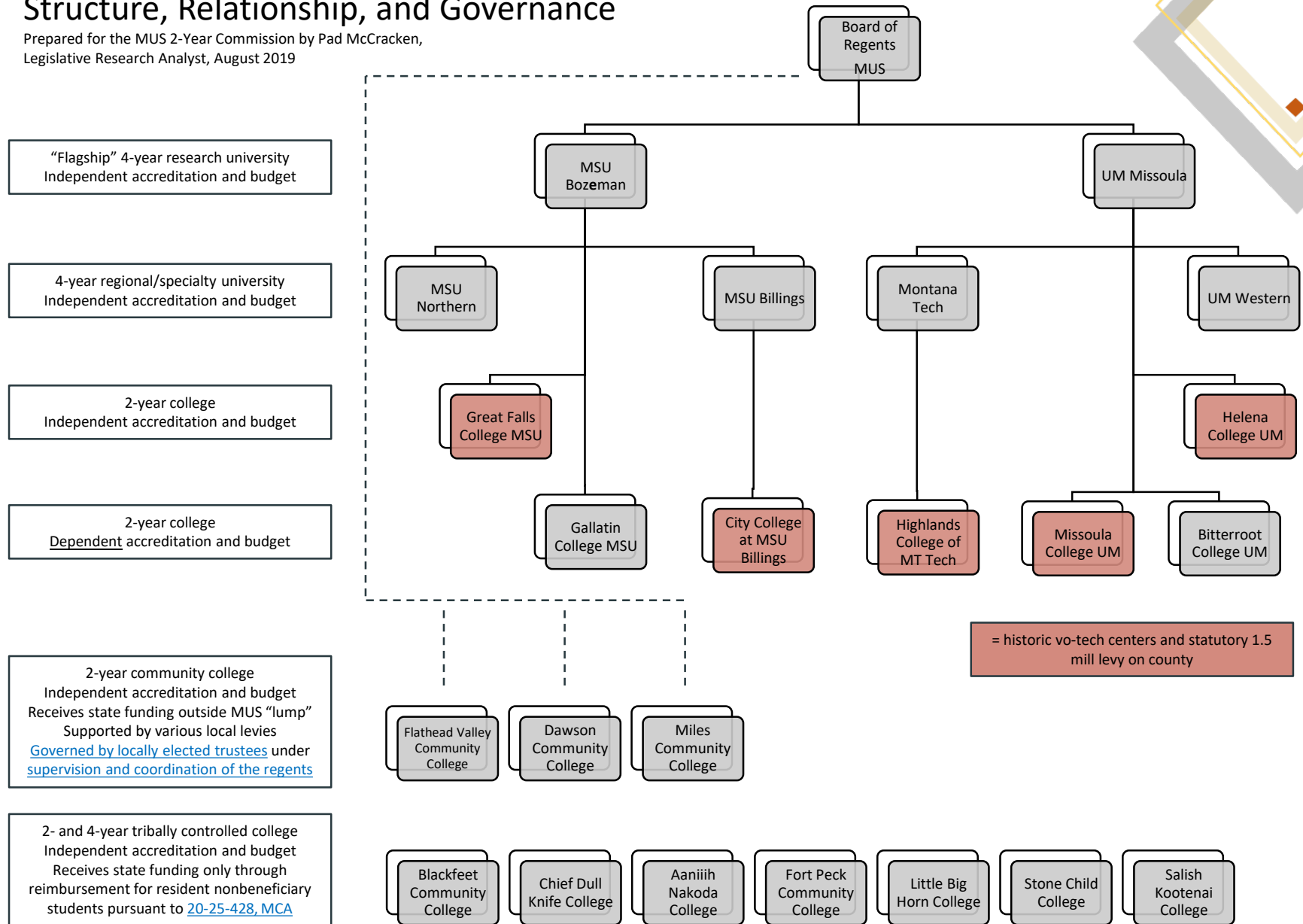
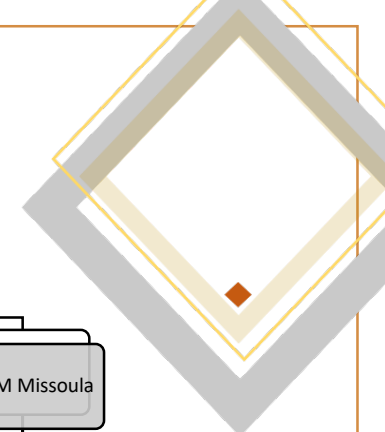


Public Postsecondary Education in Montana: Structure, Relationship, and Governance

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“Flagship” 4-year research university
Independent accreditation and budget

4-year regional/specialty university
Independent accreditation and budget

2-year college
Independent accreditation and budget

2-year college
Dependent accreditation and budget

2-year community college
Independent accreditation and budget
Receives state funding outside MUS “lump”
Supported by various local levies
Governed by locally elected trustees under supervision and coordination of the regents

2- and 4-year tribally controlled college
Independent accreditation and budget
Receives state funding only through reimbursement for resident nonbeneficiary students pursuant to [20-25-428, MCA](#)

= historic vo-tech centers and statutory 1.5 mill levy on county