High Maintenance The costs of Martha's Plane in NOV-2010 and Dec-2010

Piles of new documents are arriving at USMNEWS.net each day, many pertaining to the cost of the USM Beechcraft King Air airplane. The insert below highlights many of the direct costs attached to the plane over the last two months of 2010.

Date Amo	ount Journal ID	Line Desc	Ref	Account Fund	Dept	Program	Project
11/16/2010	2681.25 AP00399374	Labor for repairs to airplane	00290681	605640 10H10	100011	06000	
11/16/2010	1840.41 AP00399374	Miscellaneous parts for repair	00290681	606240 10H10	100011	06000	
11/17/2010	13.65 AP00399375	REIMBURSEMENT	00290753	605260 10H10	100011	06000	
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11/26/2010	20 HR00400395	Biweekly PPE 11262010	HR	603930 10H10	100011	06000	
11/26/2010	400 HR00400395	Biweekly PPE 11262010	HR	602300 10H10	100011	06000	
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11/29/2010	606 AP00400342	NOVEMBER SERVICE	00291331	606210 10H10	100011	06000	
11/30/2010	2.4 HR00398815	Monthly PPE 11302010	HR	603950 10H10	100011	06000	
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11/30/2010	236.58 AP00400361	HATTIESBURG, MS	00093008	604030 10H10	100011	06000	
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11/30/2010	16428.4 CAPLSE1110	Capital lease for Nov		690190 10H10	100011	06000	
12/8/2010	1174.98 AP00400815	REIMBURSEMENT	00292053	606240 10H10	100011	06000	
12/9/2010	-6480 0000400797	Dr. Saunders-SACS Dec 2 & 7		604121 10H10	100011	06000	
12/10/2010	91.8 HR00400844	Biweekly PPE 121010	HR	603920 10H10	100011	06000	
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12/13/2010	967.45 AP00401165	FUEL N777AQ	00292313	606210 10H10	100011	06000	
12/13/2010	68.59 AP00401188	LOUISVILLE, KY	00093476	604130 10H10	100011	06000	
12/16/2010	-2480 DD00401253	Departmental Deposit	DD	604021 10H10	100011	06000	
12/24/2010	1600 HR00401346	Biweekly PPE 122410	HR	602300 10H10	100011	06000	
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The insert above shows two months of lease payments totaling a whopping **\$32,856.80**. Of course, the plane requires fuel to get airborne and take USM president Martha Saunders around Mississippi, to and from Houston, etc. Over the final two months of 2010, fuel costs came to **\$2,159.25**. Upkeep and repairs to the airplane occur regularly. During Nov-2010 and Dec-2010 only, expenses related to these summed to an astounding **\$5,127.66**. So far, two months of "high maintenance" totals a jaw-dropping **\$40,143.71**. From the looks of the insert above, a number of payroll contributions were made to pilots in USM's Airplane Operations auxiliary. These appear to have set Mississippi taxpayers back at least

\$8,571.89. In all, USM's marriage to the BKA airplane appears to have cost taxpayers *at least* **\$42,345.82** (that is, according to the information in the insert above), and this includes **\$8,960** in credits that may have ultimately appeared as expenses elsewhere in USM's budget. If such indeed occurred, the total for Nov-2010 and Dec-2010 comes to a breathtaking **\$51,305.82**. Spending on the airplane at this rate would equate to spending the annual salary of *multiple* liberal arts faculty *every two months*.