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**Friday, October 17, 2025**

**11:30 AM**

### CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
- C. Statement of Public Participation
- D. Welcome Visitors

### ADOPT AGENDA

❖ **MSDB COMMITTEE – Lisa Schmidt (Item 1)**

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**Superintendent Paul Furthmyre**

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❖ **MSDB COMMITTEE – (Item 1)**

**Lisa Schmidt**

**ITEM 1**

**ACTION ON MSDB OUT OF STATE TRAVEL  
REQUEST**

**Superintendent Paul Furthmyre**

## STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST AND JUSTIFICATION  
FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

1) Agency Number/Name Montana School for the Deaf and the Blind		2) Division
3) Org Number	4) Name of Person(s) Traveling/Employee ID# Reena Feeler and Naomi Witham-Travers	

## 5) Justification

We have been invited to play at the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind at their Homecoming Goalball Tournament held November 13th, 2025 - November 17th, 2025. This includes two days of travel down and back from Colorado Spring, CO. We would like to travel with 5-6 team members and 2 coaches to participate in these matches.

## 6) Itinerary

**Destination:** Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind, Colorado Springs, CO

**Travel Dates:** fly out November 13, 2025 and fly back November 17, 2025

## 7) Estimated Costs

Transportation \$ 6,069.00	Meals \$ 1,200.00	Lodging \$ 2,200.00	Other \$ 420.00
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Total estimated cost \$ 9,889

Provide details to support estimated costs:

(Example: registration, taxi, etc. Provide Hotel Name and Phone Number if your Agency requires this information)

Transportation by flying to and from Colorado Springs.

Meals if it not covered by CSDB and we had to eat out for Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Lodging if it's not covered by CSDB. We could stay in the Holiday In Express at 105 N Spruce St, Colorado Springs, CO 80905

Other would cover luggage fees and registration fees to play in the tournament.

8) Submitted By	Title	Date
<i>Reena R Feeler</i>	Head Goalball Coach	9/11/2025

## Approval of Authorized Agency Personnel per Department Policy

Supervisor	Date	Administrator	Date
Dept. Head/Designee	Date		

**NOTE: A travel expense voucher form must be filed within three months after incurring the travel expenses, otherwise the right to reimbursement will be waived.**

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We have been invited to play at the Jr. Cascade Classic Goalball Tournament at Washington School for the Blind on October 30th, 2025 - November 3rd, 2025. This includes two days of travel down and back from Vancouver, WA . We would like to travel with 5-6 team members to participate.

## 6) Itinerary

**Destination:** Washington State School for the Blind in Vancouver, WA

**Travel Dates:** Thursday 10/30/2025, Friday 10/31/2025, Saturday 11/1/2025, Sunday 11/2/2025, Monday 11/3/2025

## 7) Estimated Costs

Transportation \$ 0.00	Meals \$ 2,674.00	Lodging \$ 4,440	Other \$ 280
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Total estimated cost \$ 7,394.00

Provide details to support estimated costs:

(Example: registration, taxi, etc. Provide Hotel Name and Phone Number if your Agency requires this information)

Transportation: State Vans to travel to and from Vancouver, WA.

Meals: 5 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 6 dinners, and snacks.

Lodging: Hotel room +tax 2 nights in Spokane, WA area. Hotel Room + tax Vancouver, WA 3 nights at the Hampton INN

8) Submitted By	Title	Date
<i>Reena R. Feeler</i>	Head Coach	9/10/2025

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