

# BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA

September 12-13, 2024  
Park High School  
Library  
102 View Vista Dr., Livingston, MT

**Thursday September 12, 2024**  
**8:30 AM**

## CALL TO ORDER

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

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*Action may be taken on any item listed on the Board agenda. Per §2-3-103, MCA, the Board encourages public comment on any item prior to Board final action.*

## CONSENT AGENDA – page #9

*(Items may be pulled from Consent Agenda upon request)*

- A. July 17-19, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- B. Financials
- C. Strategic Plan
- D. Bylaws
- E. 2025 Meeting Agenda and Calendar

## ADOPT AGENDA

### ❖ REPORTS – Dr. Tim Tharp (Items 1-5)

- Item 1                    **CHAIRPERSON REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #35**  
Dr. Tim Tharp
  - Welcome from Superintendent Chad Johnson, Livingston Public Schools
  - Board Committee Assignments
- Item 2                    **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #37**  
McCall Flynn
- Item 3                    **COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #38**  
Dr. Angela McLean

Item 4 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #42  
Dylan Klapmeier

Item 5 STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #43  
Gavin Mow

❖ MSDB LIAISON – Lisa Schmidt (Item 6)

Item 6 MSDB REPORT – 30 Minutes, page #44  
Paul Furthmyre

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Action on Personnel Items
- Action on Out of State Travel Request
- Action on OPI Discretionary Grant
- Final Reading of Policies

❖ MACIE LIAISON – Susie Hedalen (Item 7)

Item 7 MACIE REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #303  
Jordann Lankford Forster

**ACTION ITEM:**

- Action on MACIE Renewal

❖ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Dr. Tim Tharp (Items 8-9)

Item 8 ANNUAL SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT – 15 Minutes, page #307  
Patrick Cates

Item 9 MONTANA DIGITAL ACADEMY UPDATE – 30 Minutes, page #330  
Jason Neiffer and Mike Agostinelli

❖ CHARTER COMMITTEE – Jane Hamman (Item 10)

Item 10 UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CHOICE SCHOOL COMMISSION – 15 Minutes, page #331  
Trish Schreiber

\*\*\*\*\*LUNCH BREAK\*\*\*\*\*  
**\*\*Lunch will be provided for Board members\*\***

11:30 AM PARK COUNTY FARM TO SCHOOL LUNCH  
Park High School

12:45 PM EARLY LITERACY TARGETED INTERVENTION CLASSROOM-BASED PROGRAM  
Winans Elementary School

1:30 PM WORK-BASED LEARNING  
Park High School

\*\*\*\*\*RECONVENE AT 2:15 PM\*\*\*\*\*

❖ REPORTS – Dr. Tim Tharp (Item 11)

Item 11 STATE SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – 1 Hour, page #333  
State Superintendent Elsie Arntzen

- Assessment Update

- Federal Update
- Data Modernization Update
- Content Standards Revision Update
- Four Day School Week Research

❖ **LICENSURE COMMITTEE – Susie Hedalen (Items 12-14)**

**Item 12**                    **NOTICE OF THE SURRENDER OF BPE CASE #2024-08 – 5 Minutes, page #368**  
**Brenton Craggs**

**Item 13**                    **ACTION ON MOTION TO DISMISS OF BPE CASE #2023-01, CASE – 15 Minutes,**  
*page #369*  
**Brenton Craggs**

\*\*\*\*\***TIME CERTAIN AT 3:30 PM**\*\*\*\*\*

**Item 14**                    **ACTION ON CONTESTED CASE HEARING OF BPE CASE #2024-03, NO RUNNER –**  
*1.5 Hours, page #370*  
**Aislinn Brown**

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❖ **ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE – Ron Slinger (Items 15-16)**

**Item 15**                    **WATERFORD INTRODUCTION AND EARLY LITERACY TARGETED INTERVENTION**  
**HOME-BASED PROGRAM PRESENTATION – 30 Minutes, page #372**  
**Kernard Jones, Senior Vice President of Government Relations; Courtenay Burns,**  
**Senior Director of Program Management**

**Item 16**                    **INFORMATION ON EARLY LITERACY SCREENING PROTOCOL TEAM’S**  
**RECOMMENDATION ON THE APPLICATION AND CRITERIA FOR THE LIST OF**  
**APPROVED EARLY LITERACY SCREENING TOOLS – 15 Minutes, page #388**  
**McCall Flynn**

❖ **ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE – Madalyn Quinlan (Items 17-21)**

**Item 17**                    **ACTION ON THE PROPOSED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND TIMELINE**  
**PERTAINING TO RULEMAKING IN ARM TITLE 10, CHAPTER 53, MATHEMATICS**  
**CONTENT STANDARDS, AND AUTHORIZE FILING OF THE NOTICE WITH THE**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PUBLICATION IN THE MONTANA ADMINISTRATIVE**  
**REGISTER – 15 Minutes, page #393**  
**Madalyn Quinlan**

**Item 18**                    **ACTION ON AND RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON REVISIONS**  
**TO ARM TITLE 10, CHAPTER 54, WORLD LANGUAGE CONTENT STANDARDS – 15**  
*Minutes, page #440*  
**Madalyn Quinlan**

- Item 19                    **ACTION ON ADDENDUMS TO ACCREDITATION STATUS FOR 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR – 15 Minutes, page #458**  
Ellery Bresler and Crystal Andrews
- Item 20                    **INFORMATION ON CORRECTIVE PLANS FOR DEFICIENT AND ADVICE STATUS ACCREDITED SCHOOLS – 15 Minutes, page #468**  
Crystal Andrews
- Item 21                    **ACTION ON ACCREDITATION PROCESS AND SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR – 30 Minutes, page #483**  
Dr. Julie Murgel and Crystal Andrews

❖ **LICENSURE COMMITTEE – Susie Hedalen (Items 22-27)**

- Item 22                    **REPORT ON PRAXIS TEST SCORES IN HARD-TO-FILL ENDORSEMENT AREAS – 15 Minutes, page #492**  
Crystal Andrews
- Item 23                    **INFORMATION ON THE SITE VISIT AND STATE EXIT REPORT OF SALISH KOOTENAI COLLEGE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER IN THE DIVISION OF EDUCATION – 15 Minutes, page #495**  
Crystal Andrews and Michelle Price
- Item 24                    **ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION FOR INITIAL APPROVAL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA REQUEST TO IMPLEMENT A HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT AND A SECONDARY EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT – 15 Minutes, page #536**  
Crystal Andrews
- Item 25                    **ACTION ON THE VIRTUAL JOINT SITE VISIT AND STATE EXIT REPORT OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – 15 Minutes, page #540**  
Crystal Andrews
- Item 26                    **ACTION ON THE SITE VISIT AND STATE EXIT REPORT OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHERN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCES, AND EDUCATION – 15 Minutes, page #584**  
Crystal Andrews and Dr. Julie Murgel

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\*\*\*\*\*TIME CERTAIN AT 1:00 PM\*\*\*\*\*

- Item 27                    **ACTION ON APPEAL HEARING OF BPE CASE #2024-04, OLIVER – 1.5 Hours, page #639**  
Aislinn Brown

❖ **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Dr. Tim Tharp (Item 28)**

- Item 28                    **ELECTION OF OFFICERS – 15 Minutes, page #640**  
McCall Flynn

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS November 20-22, 2024 – Bozeman, MT**  
 Board of Education Meeting  
 Montana Council of Deans of Education Update  
 MACIE Update  
 Assessment Update

Federal Update  
Annual Data Collection  
Variance to Standards Requests & Renewals  
Accreditation Report  
Annual Professional Development Unit Providers List  
Content Standards Revision Update

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