



## **Management Council Regular Meeting Minutes**

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Date: August 18, 2025  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
Meeting called to order by: Dale Olinger, Board Chair

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The Management Council of the Missoula Area Education Cooperative met for a regular meeting at the MAEC Conference Room located at 2825 Stockyard Rd, Suite I-2. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise stated.

### **ATTENDEES**

Stacia Vaughn, Cooperative Director  
Dale Olinger, Superintendent, Lolo Schools  
Jim Howard, Superintendent, Bonner School  
Jason Sargent, Superintendent, St. Ignatius School via ZOOM  
Logan Labbe, Superintendent, Superior Schools  
Erin Lipkind, Missoula County Superintendent of Schools via ZOOM  
Rhonda Decker, Cooperative Business Manager

### **GUESTS**

Angie Mock, Principal, Swan Valley School via ZOOM

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Logan Labbe moved to accept the Minutes of the July 24, 2025 Management Council meeting. Jim Howard- Second.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

2. None

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

3. None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

4. None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **5. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT: Information & Action**

- A. Rhonda Decker, Cooperative Business Manager, reported to the Board that August year-to-date expenditures were \$68,360.
- B. Treasurer's Financial Statement Fund Balance for June, which includes revenue due from OPI, was \$605,866.83.
- C. The Board approved the Business Manager to pay September claims and payroll. Erin Lipkind moved to approve the Business Manager's report. Logan Labbe- Second.

## **PERSONNEL REPORT**

### **6. PERSONNEL HIRES & UPDATES: Information & Action**

- A. The Director recommends the hire of Marit Waldum as a School Psychologist Consultant for up to 250 hours for 2025-2026. Erin Lipkind moved to hire Marit Waldum. Jim Howard- Second.
- B. The Director recommends the hire of Kelli Evans as a Custodian for two hours per month. Jim Howard moved to hire Kelli Evans as a Custodian. Logan Labbe- Second.
- C. As there is no action to be taken now, Dale removed the Administrative Team 2025-2026 Contracts to be Negotiated as an action item, and Stacia updated that the committee would be meeting the first week of September.

## **GRANTS/CONTRACTS: NONE**

7. None

## **POLICY**

### **8. POLICY UPDATE: INFORMATION & ACTION**

Stacia Vaughn reviewed the required and recommended and the optional and recommended Cooperative Policy Revisions

- A. Required Policies 2010, 2015 and 2050 were reviewed.
- B. Optional Policy 2075 was reviewed. Jim Howard moved to approve the three required and one optional policy. Logan Labbe- Second.
- C. The Council removed the Cooperative Handbook Revisions as an action item as that is an administrative review process that may be updated as needed throughout the school year.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **9. DIRECTOR'S UPDATES: INFORMATION**

- A. Status of the 2025-2026 JAB appointment forms that have been returned so far.
- B. Cooperative staffing update and Member District sped staffing updates.
- C. OPI has not yet opened the IDEA e-grant applications; Stacia will inform districts when they do and assist as needed.

## **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

10. NEXT MANAGEMENT COUNCIL DATE: Meeting Scheduled for September 3, 2025 @ 8:15 a.m.

OTHER

11. None

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12. ADJOURN: Dale Olinger called the meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Rhonda Lee  
Business Manager, Attest

10/1/2025  
Date

10/1/2025  
Date Copies sent to JAB

Dale Olinger  
Chairman

10/1/2025  
Date