



Management Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: June 11, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Meeting called to order by: Dale Olinger, Board Chair

The Management Council of the Missoula Area Education Cooperative met for a regular meeting. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise stated.

ATTENDEES

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

GUESTS

Jon Martin, Principal, Woodman School via ZOOM
Christina Hartmann, Superintendent, Seeley Lake School via ZOOM
Emily Sallee, Superintendent, Potomac School via ZOOM
Anne Tanner, Principal, Arlee School via ZOOM
Matt Driessen, Superintendent, DeSmet School via ZOOM

ANNUAL ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COUNCIL OFFICERS

- A. Chair: Erin Lipkind moved to nominate Dale Olinger as Chair. Jim Howard- Second
- B. Vice-Chair: Jim Howard moved to nominate Erin Lipkind as Vice-Chair. Jason Sargent- Second

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Erin Lipkind moved to accept the Minutes of the May 11, 2026 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 June year-to-date expenditures so far were \$1,618,638.00.
 - B. Rhonda reported that she has received the Missoula County Treasurers March financial reports, but nothing for April yet. The reconciled cash balance for March is \$549,853.00.
 - C. The Board approved the Business Manager to pay July claims and payroll. Erin Lipkind moved to approve the Business Manager's report. Jason Sargent- Second.

PERSONNEL REPORT

- A. None

GRANTS/CONTRACTS

6. Stacia Vaughn proposed the following contracts: Information & Action
 - A. Montana Schools Group Interlocal Agency (MSGIA) Contract for 2026-27: \$19,045.00. Erin Lipkind moved to approve the 2026-27 contract with MSGIA. Jason Sargent- Second. Stacia updated the board that this is down \$500-\$600 from the prior year.
 - B. Wipfli LLP Professional Services Contract for MAEC FY2025 Audit: \$24,645.00. Jim Howard moved to approve the contract with Wipfli for the FY2025 audit. Logan Labbe- Second. Matt Driessen suggested that the Cooperative send out a request for proposals for the FY2026 audit contract prices.

POLICY UPDATES

7. None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. None

NEXT BOARD MEETING

8. NEXT MANAGEMENT COUNCIL DATE: July date to be determined

OTHER

9. None

ADJOURN

10. ADJOURN: Dale Olinger called the meeting adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

Rhonda W
Business Manager, Attest

Dale Olinger
Chairman

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