

**Visit Southeast Montana Board of Directors**

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**June 15, 2017 – 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Sleep Inn, Conference Room**

**1006 S. Haynes Ave., Miles City, MT**

**Meeting Agenda**

1. Welcome and Introductions - Chip Watts (Board Chair) 10:00
	1. Welcome to Miles City
2. Public comments on items NOT on the agenda (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
3. Approval of February 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes (pages 3-4) ACTION
4. Financial Overview 10:10
	1. Variance report and Financials, April - May 2017 (pages 5-6) ACTION
	2. Proposed FY18 Administrative budget (page 7) ACTION
	3. Proposed FY18 non-bed tax funds (page 8) ACTION
5. STRATEGIC DISCUSSION – Brenda and John 10:25
	1. FY18 Marketing Plan & Budget
		1. Update on presentation to TAC (completed 6/12-13)
	2. Presentation from MOTBD Sales and Constituents Services Bureau 10:40

– Jan Stoddard

1. STRATEGIC GOALS 11:10
	1. **Produce Quality Marketing Initiatives**
		1. Marketing Update – Brenda & Aly
		2. International Pow Wow take-aways (me – budget, suggestions)
		3. Fam updates, Fresh Tracks
		4. Introduce new Agency of Record, Windfall, for brief presentation
	2. **Develop Marketing Partnerships…**outside the region
		1. Dino Trail update (Brenda)
	3. **Grow In-Region Partnerships…**to connect to constituents
		1. Camp 21 – Dee Abbott
		2. Workshops – Upcoming
	4. **Support Tourism Product Development**
		1. Custer Loop (Dennis Kopitzke)
		2. Warrior Trail (Brenda Maas)

 LUNCH BREAK 12:00

Presentation of Billings Community Foundation – Ralph Spence

1. Committee/Task Force and Board Reports 12:45
	1. Executive Committee—Chip
		1. Board roster and committees – Openings/Terms (pages 9-11)
		2. Recommended By-laws change (page 12) ACTION
		3. Update on Conflict of Interest & Whistleblower policies
	2. Nominating Committee
		1. Approval of officers and board seats ACTION
	3. Marketing Grants—Dale/Brenda
		1. New grant update
		2. Recommendations for new grant application language - update
	4. Legislative Update/Tourism Matters/Voices (John Laney)
		1. Legislative Committee Development
	5. Other announcements
		1. Updates from around the region
	6. Board Meeting Schedule: All meetings 10 a.m.-3 p.m. unless otherwise noted. All times subject to change
		1. Establish more regular meeting schedule and frequency
2. Meeting Adjourns

**NOTE:**

Please plan for a brief tour of the Agricultural Advancement Center at Miles City Community College (340 I 94 Business Loop) 2:30

NOTE: Other than the meeting starting time, times listed are approximate and agenda items may be rearranged. Public comment is welcome on all items.

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