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Meeting of the

Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and the State-Tribal Relations Committee of the Montana Legislature

CSKT Tribal Chambers, Pablo MT Monday, April 28, 2014

8:30 Call to Order and Roll Call

✓ Mr. Ronald Trahan, Chairman, CSKT Tribal Council, and Senator Jonathan Windy Boy, Chairman, STR Committee

8:30 Welcome and Introductions

✓ Mr. Ronald Trahan, Chairman, CSKT Tribal Council, and Senator Jonathan Windy Boy, Chairman, STR Committee

8:40 Opening Blessing

✓ Mr. Tony Incashola, Director, Salish Culture Committee

CSKT Tribal Council Portion of Agenda

8:45 Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act

✓ Mr. Thomas McDonald, CSKT Natural Resources Department

9:15 Access to State Education Funding for Two Eagle River School and Northern Chevenne School

✓ Ms. Teresa Wall-McDonald, Tribal Council Support, CSKT Tribal Council

9:45 Health Discussion/Medicaid Expansion

✓ Mr. Kevin Howlett, Tribal Health Director, CSKT Health Department

10:15 Break

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| 10:30 | Administrative matters |
| 10:45 | Update on Governor's Office of Indian Affairs Activities ✓ Mr. Casey Lozar, Director, State-Tribal Economic Development Commission, Department of Commerce |
| 11:15 | Catered Lunch (by invitation) |
| 12:15 | Summary of Fort Belknap and Crow Follow-up Activities ✓ Mr. Casey Barrs, Legislative Analyst, Legislative Services Division |
| 12:45 | Language Preservation Pilot Program ✓ Mr. Casey Barrs, Legislative Analyst, Legislative Services Division ✓ Mr. Tony Incashola, Director, Salish Culture Committee ✓ Ms. Patricia Hewankorn, Director, Kootenai Culture Committee ✓ Mr. Chaney Bell, Salish Language Coordinator, Salish-Pend d'Oreille Culture Committee |
| 1:45 | Bison Management ✓ Mr. Casey Barrs, Legislative Analyst, Legislative Services Division ✓ Mr. Thomas McDonald, CSKT Natural Resources Department ✓ Mr. Brian Upton, Attorney, CSKT Legal Department ✓ Mr. John Harrison, Attorney, CSKT Legal Department |
| 2:15 | Public Comment |
| 2:30 | Break |

- 2:45 CSKT Water Compact (15 minutes maximum per speaker)
 - ✓ Mr. Ronald Trahan, Chairman, CSKT Tribal Council
 - ✓ Ms. Melissa Hornbein, Special Assistant Attorney General, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission
 - ✓ Mr. Duane Mecham, Senior Attorney, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior
 - ✓ Mr. Alan Mikkelsen, Consultant/Technical Expert, Jocko Irrigation District
- 4:00 Committee and Council Question and Answer on Water Compact
- 4:30 Public Comment on Water Compact
- 5:30 Overview of Water Compacts and Litigation in Other States (by phone)
 - ✓ Professor Daniel McCool, Professor of Political Science, Director, Environmental and Sustainability Studies Program, University of Utah
- 6:00 Wrap Up Chairman Wind Boy
 Confirm issues for next meeting
 Instructions to staff
- 6:05 Adjourn

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