



State-Tribal Relations Committee

62nd Montana Legislature

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Meeting of the State-Tribal Relations Interim Committee

Room 137, State Capitol Building, Helena
Tuesday, June 28, 2011

- 8:45** **Call to order and Roll call** -- Acting Chairperson Sharon Stewart-Peregoy
- 8:45** **Welcome and Introductions** -- Acting Chairperson Sharon Stewart-Peregoy
- 9:00** **Opening Blessing** -- Helena Indian Alliance
- 9:15** **Election of Officers**
√ Mr. Casey Barrs, Legislative Researcher, Legislative Services Division
√ Acting Chairperson and committee members
- 9:30** **Responsibilities and Guidelines** -- Casey Barrs
√ Staff duties
√ Committee statutory duties
√ Legislative Council guidelines for interim committees
√ Compensation and travel
√ Recap of 2009 state-tribal related legislation
- 10:00** **Office of Indian Affairs work in Indian Country**
√ Ms. Lesa Evers, Acting Director, Office of Indian Affairs
- 10:30** **Health, Human Services, and Indian Country**
√ Ms. Anna Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Public Health and Human Services
- 11:15** **Break**
- 11:30** **State-Tribal Economic Development**
√ Mr. Jason Smith, Program Manager, State Tribal Economic Development Program, Montana Department of Commerce

- 12:00** **Public Comment**
- 12:15** **Lunch**
- 1:15** **Law Enforcement and Indian Country**
√ Mr. Jim Smith, Co-Executive Director, Montana Sheriffs and Police Officers Association
- 2:00** **Education and Indian Country**
√ Ms. Mandy Smoker-Broadus, School Transformation Director, Office of Public Instruction
- 2:45** **Public Comment**
- 3:00** **Interim Work Plan**
√ Committee budget, travel, calendar, and targeted issues, Casey Barrs
√ Committee work plan, **Chairperson and members**
Action Items:
1. Select priority issues
2. Confirm calendar (dates and reservation visits)
- 4:00** **Wrap Up -- Chairperson**
√ Confirm issues for next meeting
√ Instructions to staff
- 4:05** **Adjourn**

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