"In the heat of the tightly structured, 90-day session, legislators often identify issues they want to study in more depth. The interim offers you a more measured opportunity to research, meet with subject-matter experts, and listen to the public's perspectives on critical and complex issues. It allows you to define problems, explore alternatives, seek solutions, and propose and test ideas."

"Life After Sine Die"

Note: Agenda times are approximate. Some agenda items may require more or less time than indicated.

**Wednesday, July 14**

9:30 Call to order - roll call - member and staff introductions - Sen. McClafferty

9:45 Committee administration - Pad McCracken, Committee Staff
  - Compensation and expense reimbursement
  - Rules, Procedures, and Guidelines for Interim Committees
  - Committee discussion/adoption of rules
  - Election of committee presiding officers

10:15 Committee overview - Pad and Laura Sankey Keip, Staff Attorney
  - Committee background
  - Article X and constitutional considerations, roles, and responsibilities
  - Overview of draft work plan
    - Statutory duties
    - Administrative rule review
    - Study assignment HJ 47
    - Coordination with Section E Interim Budget Committee
    - Budget and proposed dates
    - Other topics

10:45 Montana State Library update and input – Jennie Stapp, State Librarian

11:00 Governor's Office update and input – Dylan Klapmeier, Education and Workforce Policy Advisor
11:15  Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE) - Clayton Christian, Commissioner of Higher Education
   • OCHE/Board of Regents update and activities
   • Requests/suggestions for work plan

12:00  Lunch

1:00  Board of Public Education (BPE) – McCall Flynn, Executive Director
   • Overview of BPE role and duties
   • Introduction of BPE and CSPAC members (Certification, Standards, and Practices Advisory Council; 2-15-1522, MCA)
   • Requests/suggestions for work plan

1:30  Office of Public Instruction (OPI) - Elsie Arntzen, Superintendent of Public Instruction
   • Introductions and updates on major initiatives/topics of interest
   • Member-requested updates:
     o What does 2021 student assessment data tell us about impacts to student achievement due to COVID-19?
     o How has teacher recruitment and retention been affected by the pandemic?
   • Requests/suggestions for work plan

2:15  Progress report from OPI and DPHHS on funding for Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT) per HB 671

2:30  Stakeholder and public comment on work plan, including HJ 47, a study of educational programs for the incarcerated

3:00  Work plan discussion
   • How does the committee wish to fulfill its statutory duties?
   • How does the committee wish to conduct the HJ 47 study?
   • What other topics does the committee wish to explore and to what degree?
   • Work plan and meeting schedule revision and adoption

3:45  Public Comment* on any other topic within the committee's jurisdiction

4:00  Wrap up - next meeting date and agenda items – adjourn

*Public comment provided in person to the committee is a public record that is videotaped, archived, and available on the Internet. Public comment submitted in writing at a committee meeting is a public record that will be posted to the legislative Web site as part of the minutes log for the committee meeting.

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