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AGENDA

As of 6/22/2021

Meeting #1 – Thursday, June 24, 2021

Room 137, Capitol Building, Helena

All times are approximate

- 8:30 a.m. Call to Order | Roll Call | Welcome and Introductions**
Senator Doug Kary, Acting Presiding Officer
- 8:45 a.m. Administrative Overview**
Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- a. Staff Roles and Responsibilities
 - b. Rules, Procedures, and Guidelines for Interim Committees
 - c. Committee Budget & Travel Claims
- 9:15 a.m. Work Session – Committee Rules and Election of Officers**
Senator Doug Kary, Acting Presiding Officer
- a. Discussion and Adoption of Committee Rules
 - b. Election of Officers
- 9:45 a.m. Welcome to SAVA**
Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- a. Overview of SAVA's Duties
 - b. Overview of Assigned Studies – HJ 8 and SJ 35
 - c. Overview of Draft Work Plan and Meeting Schedule
- 10:15 a.m. Introductions and Overviews of Assigned Agencies**
- 10:15 a.m. Office of the Secretary of State
- Overview – Christi Jacobsen, Secretary of State
 - Committee Questions
- 10:30 a.m. Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices
- Overview – Jeff Mangan, Commissioner of Political Practices
 - Committee Questions
- 10:30 a.m. BREAK**

10:45 a.m. Introductions and Overviews of Assigned Agencies (continued)

- 10:45 a.m. Department of Administration
- Overview – Misty Ann Giles, Director
 - Committee Questions
- 11:00 a.m. Department of Military Affairs
- Overview – Major General J. Peter Hronek, Adjutant General, Montana National Guard
 - Committee Questions
- 11:15 a.m. Montana Veterans' Affairs Division/Board of Veterans' Affairs
- Overview – Kelly Ackerman, MVAD Administrator
 - Committee Questions

11:30 a.m. LUNCH – Hosted by Secretary of State's Office

12:30 p.m. Introductions and Overviews of Assigned Agencies (continued)

- 12:30 p.m. Teachers' Retirement System
- Overview – Shawn Graham, Executive Director
 - Committee Questions
- 12:45 p.m. Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration
- Overview – Dore Schwinden, Executive Director
 - Committee Questions
- 1:00 p.m. Montana Board of Investments
- Overview – Dan Villa, Executive Director
 - Committee Questions

1:15 p.m. BREAK

1:30 p.m. Work Session – Overview of SAVA's Agency Rule Review Duties

Ginger Aldrich, Attorney

- a. Rulemaking Process & Committee Role
- b. Committee Questions
- c. Public Comment* on Agency Rule Review
- d. Potential Committee Action

2:00 p.m. Work Session – SAVA's Work Plan Options and Study Priorities

Rebecca Power, Research Analyst

- a. Discussion of Work Plan and Decision Matrix
- b. Member Topics
- c. Public Comment* on Work Plan and Interim Studies
- d. Committee Action

3:15 p.m. Public Comment* on Any Topic in the Committee's Jurisdiction

3:30 p.m. Meeting Wrap Up

- a. Additional Instructions to Staff
- b. Next Meeting

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