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Agenda
June 6, 2022
State Capitol Room 317

Purpose: Begin a discussion about how the constitutional players in Montana education might work together to increase student opportunities and improve educational outcomes across the state.

8:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Welcome – Chair McClafferty and Chair Bedey

8:15 a.m. Is there a case for change? – Jason Dougal, National Center on Education and the Economy (NCEE) and Michelle Exstrom, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)

9:45 a.m. Opening remarks from Governor Gianforte
Opening remarks from Superintendent Arntzen

10:00 a.m. Perspectives on Current Initiatives

- Office of Public Instruction
  - Deputy Superintendent Allen – education workforce design, Chapter 55 accreditation of schools’ minimum quality standards

- Board of Public Education
  - McCall Flynn – enhanced flexibilities with new chapter work

- Montana School Board Association
  - Lance Melton – flexibilities that currently exist in K-12 education

- Board of Regents / Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education
  - Commissioner Clayton Christian – single point interface for Montana college access, predictive analytics, proficiency education for teachers, dual credit

- Governor’s Office
  - Dylan Klapmeier – education policy
Sarah Swanson – CTE

11:00 a.m. Opportunities and Challenges that exist for Governance of Montana’s K-12 System – facilitated by Representative Jones and Senator O’Brien
   i. Have pockets of excellence/silos developed?
   ii. How do we overcome any challenges that have been identified?

12:00 p.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. Development of Shared Strategic Goals and Strategies – facilitated by Jason Dougal and Michele Exstrom
   i. What do you want Montana high school graduates to know and be able to do?
   ii. What will the education system need to do/look like in order to produce the type of students described in (i) at scale?
   iii. Given the vast flexibility in Montana today, what are the biggest challenges to establishing a system that does what we described in (ii)?

4:00 p.m. The Path Forward– facilitated by Chair Bedey

5:00 p.m. Public Comment

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

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