

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Jack Wells, on January 18, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jack Wells, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Eve Franklin (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mark Bruno, Office of Budget and Program Planning
Amy Carlson, OBPP
Alan Peura, Legislative Branch
Kathy Baird, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Goals and Objectives Budget Hearing: Montana Community Colleges
Tribal College Assistance
Program

Committee Business:

00:00:05 Chairman Wells

MEETING WITH MONTANA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Flathead Valley Community College:

00:01:36 Jane Karas, President, Flathead Valley Community
College (FVCC)
00:10:34 Sen. Wanzenried
00:11:07 Alan Peura, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
00:11:46 Sen. Wanzenried
00:12:27 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:13:14 Sen. Lewis
00:14:01 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:14:54 Rep. Wells
00:15:25 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:16:48 Sen. Hawks
00:17:15 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:18:31 Mark Bruno, Office of Budget and Program Planning
(OBPP)
00:19:23 Sen. Wanzenried
00:19:34 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:20:10 Rep. Wells
00:21:00 Ms. Karas, FVCC

Dawson Community College:

00:22:29 Jim Cargill, President, Dawson Community College (DCC)
00:35:43 Sen. Hawks
00:36:02 Mr. Cargill, DCC
00:37:07 Rep. Wells
00:37:42 Mr. Cargill, DCC

Miles Community College:

00:39:49 Stefani Hicswa, President, Miles Community College
(MCC)

Committee Budget Discussion on Community Colleges:

00:43:58 Rep. Wells
00:46:13 Amy Carlson, Office of Budget and Program Planning
(OBPP)

EXHIBIT(jeh12a01)

00:52:41 Sen. Wanzenried
00:52:54 Ms. Carlson, OBPP
00:53:31 Sen. Hawks

00:54:00 Ms. Carlson, OBPP
00:54:26 Ms. Karas, FVCC
00:55:26 Alan Peura, LFD
01:09:14 Sen. Hawks
01:09:44 Mr. Peura, LFD
01:14:07 Rep. Wells
01:15:19 Mark Bruno, OBPP
01:15:49 Sen. Wanzenried
01:16:14 Ms. Carlson, OBPP
01:17:26 Ms. Karas, FVCC
01:20:19 Ms. Hicswa, MCC
01:20:56 Sen. Hawks
01:21:29 Ms. Hicswa, MCC
01:22:00 Ms. Karas, FVCC

Public Comment on Community Colleges:

01:22:50 Bob Mystuen, President, Glacier Bank, Kalispell
01:28:33 Joe Kola, First Interstate Bank, Whitefish
01:33:05 Jon Sonju, District 7, Kalispell
01:34:47 Sarah Sommerfeld, former student, Miles Community
College
01:38:38 Ben Reddish, student, Flathead Valley Community College
EXHIBIT(jeh12a02)
01:43:28 Tom Hanning, member Board of Trustees, Flathead Valley
Community College
01:47:27 Tony Brockman, former student, Flathead Valley
Community College
01:48:42 Colleen Underrider, School Board Member and parent of
Flathead Valley Community College student
01:55:30 Annie Glover, Montana Education Association-Montana
Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

01:56:19 Break
02:16:36 Reconvene

MEETING ON THE TRIBAL COLLEGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Salish-Kootenai Tribal College:

02:17:27 Joe McDonald, President, Salish-Kootenai Tribal College
(SKTC)
EXHIBIT(jeh12a03)

American Indian/Minority Achievement:

02:30:06 Ellen Swaney, Director, American Indian/Minority
Achievement (AIMA)

EXHIBIT(jeh12a04)

EXHIBIT(jeh12a05)

02:36:21 John Seloway, President, Blackfeet Community College

02:37:11 Carol Murray, Project Director, Blackfeet Community
College

02:58:55 Caleb Shields, Project Director, Fork Peck Community
College

03:09:05 Dr. Richard Littlebear, President/Project Director,
Chief Dull Knife College

03:21:27 Hubert Two Leggins, Project Director, Little Big Horn
College

03:35:10 Julie Cajune, Project Director, Salish Kootenai College

03:41:45 Melanie Henry, President, Stone Child College

03:42:15 Dr. Matt Herman, Project Director, Stone Child College

Committee Questions:

03:52:30 Sen. Hawks

03:53:19 Ellen Swaney, AIMA

03:54:45 Rep. Wells

ADJOURNMENT

03:55:30 Adjournment

REP. JACK WELLS, Chairman

KATHY BAIRD, Secretary

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Additional exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(jeh12a06\)](#)

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