



Montana State Library Commission

Montana Heritage Center Tour
Tuesday, February 10, 2026 | 3:00 p.m.
Montana Historical Society
225 N Roberts
Helena, MT 59601
(No business will be conducted)

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February Business Meeting
Wednesday, February 11, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.
Montana State Library | Gertrude Buckhouse Conference Room
1201 11th Avenue
Helena, MT 59601

AGENDA

The State Library Commission is committed to providing access to its proceedings in accordance with MCA Title 2, Ch. 3 Part 2 Open Meetings. All meetings of the State Library Commission will be streamed and recorded via an online meeting platform. The State Library Commission welcomes public comment. The Chair will ask for public comment on agenda items throughout the meeting from persons attending the meeting in person or online. Members of the public who wish to share written comments or pertinent visual materials must submit written public comments no later than two (2) business days before the start of the public meetings. During public comment periods, speakers shall identify themselves and who they represent. Speakers shall limit their address to the State Library Commission on agenda items to three (3) minutes unless further time is granted by the Chair with the concurrence of the Commission. The Chair reserves the right to limit public comments if comments are not germane to the motion or if they are deemed disruptive. To ensure clear communication and an opportunity for follow-up questions, chat comments are not accepted. All comments received become part of the official public record of the State Library Commission proceedings in accordance with MCA 2-3-212. The Commission shall move through the agenda as needed.

9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**

- Changes or additions to the agenda

Business items

- 9:05 a.m.
- Consent agenda– **Action**
 - December 10, 2025 meeting minutes
 - [2nd quarter Fiscal Year 2026 financial report](#)
 - PDF
 - [Commission Bylaws](#)
 - Public Comment

- 9:10 a.m. • Approve initial Montana Geospatial Information Act grant awards – **Action** – E. Fashoway
- Public Comment
- 9:25 a.m. • Consider whether to hold October business meeting in Miles City - **Action**
- Public Comment
- 9:30 a.m. • Consider whether to participate in the Montana Library Association (MLA) Conference - **Action**
- Discussion with MLA President, Sean Anderson, on topics including but not limited to, MLA mission and goals, relationship with the American Library Association, history and clarification of conference presenters' registration fees, and hosting Conversations with the Commission on Zoom
- Public Comment
- 10:15 a.m. • 2026 Commission goals and next steps - **Action**
- Public Comment

Discussion items

- 10:35 a.m. • Draft Commission newsletter review - Stapp
- 10:50 a.m. • Initial review of 10.102.1159 (2)-(12) Administrative Rules of Montana *Serving the Community* and discussion of next steps - Commissioner Cuthbertson
- 11:00 a.m. • Neutrality – Commissioner Cuthbertson
- 11:15 a.m. • Continued review of the Continuing Education Handbook - Committee
- Draft Certification Policy
- Draft Course of Study
- Draft Course Catalog
- 11:35 a.m. • Informational presentation on the vision for the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Montana State Government – Chris Tarabochia, Chief AI Officer
- 12:05 p.m. • Informational presentation on AI applications for GIS – Matt Sheehan, geospatial and artificial intelligence specialist

12:30 p.m. **Lunch provided for Commission members**

Standing reports and information items

- 1:00 p.m. • State Library Reports – Stapp and staff
- State Librarian's report
- [FY 26 Work Plan Dashboard](#)
- PDF Version
- 2nd quarter staffing memo
- 2nd quarter grants and contracts report
- [Continuing Education and Certification dashboard](#)

- PDF Version
- FY 26 2nd quarter courses taken for credit
- Excel Version
- [Downloading dashboard instructions](#)
- [Education Interim Budget Committee \(EIBC\) quarterly financial report](#)
- [EIBC Montana Geospatial Information Account revenue report](#)

Commission Goals and Objectives – Commission

- 1:15 p.m.
 - Review meeting motions and directives to staff to confirm Commission intent
 - [Annual business calendar](#)
 - [PDF Version](#)
 - Review and prioritize agenda items for April business meeting
 - Spring Federation meeting dates
 - Select special meeting data to award Montana Geospatial Information Act grants
- 1:20 p.m. Public Comment on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the State Library Commission.
- 1:25 p.m. Other Business & Announcements
- 1:30 p.m. Adjourn

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