

**Southwest Montana
General Board Meeting – Deer Lodge “The Pen”
Wednesday, April 25, 2018
Agenda**

Meeting is in Deer Lodge at the Pen Convention Center at 925 Main St.

Cost for lunch is \$10. Please RSVP by Monday, April 23, 2018, to info@southwestmt.com or call 406-846-1943. We would like to get a lunch count. If you didn't RSVP please come anyway – we still want your presence.

Regular Meeting: 10:30 a.m. Executive Board Meeting: 9:30

Speaker is: Pat Doyle, Montana State Parks

Brochure Exchange – Bring some of your brochures and information and take some home from others
Back side of this agenda has great information on grants, websites, board members, etc.

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10:30 a.m. Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements

I. Southwest Board

10:40 Approval of Minutes

10:45 Public Comment

10:50 Financial Reports – Sarah

10:55 Executive Director Report-Sarah

Committee and Activity Report, Discussion, Approval, and Updates

11:00 Inquiry Report – MARS Stout, report from Rebecca Schmitz

11:05 Lima Rest Area – Mike Strange

11:10 Marketing update, Far Cry Hope County, Marketing Updates, regional map, other–Windfall, Inc.

11:25 Speaker – Pat Doyle, Montana State Parks

12:00 Lunch

12:35 Website, internet updates, Far Cry, Event Program, Video – Tempest Technologies, Shawn Peterson

12:50 Marketing and Budget for fiscal year 2018/2019

II. Other Business - **May - grant writing, committees; September 19 - TBD**

Governor's Conference on Tourism and Recreation – April 15 -17

Board Members – please assign a proxy if you can't attend.

Southwest Montana General Yearly Activity Outline – meetings are usually the third Thursday of the month but subject to change

Jan. / Feb	Annual Board Meeting – New Travel Guide, Election of Officers, Cooperative Marketing
March	General Board Meeting, Outline Budget
April	Finalize Budget, Brochure Exchange, Governor's Conference on Tourism and Recreation
June	General Board Meeting – set up travel guide for following year
September	General Board Meeting, Full-page advertising contracts due, next year's calendar of events due
September	All accommodation listings due, full-page advertisement artwork due, membership due
Oct. – Nov.	General Board Meeting, Print Advertising Schedule, Proof draft of Travel Guide
December	County Elections; no board meeting, travel guide committee meeting

Topics to track: MTOTBD Grants, Voices of Montana Tourism, Carol Crockett – Grants, Events

Southwest Montana Board Meetings are open to the public.