

Southwest Montana Annual General Board Meeting Butte-Silver Bow Library - Big Butte Room on the 3rd Floor Thursday, January 23, 2025 - from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Agenda

Meeting is at the **Butte-Silver Bow Library - Big Butte Room on the 3rd Floor**. Everyone is welcome.

Please RSVP by Monday, January 20. You can Email office@southwestmt.com to RSVP or please call 406-846-1943. If you did not RSVP, please join us anyway – we still want your presence.

Regular Meeting: 1:00 p.m.

Speaker: Audrey Walleser Martin, Government Analyst, understanding legislative issues & how to talk to your legislators

Enter your visitor event information on the website: southwestmt.com go to events or click below:

Calendar of Events | Southwest Montana Tourism Information (southwestmt.com)

Add your photos or send to updates@southwestmt.com

1:00 p.m. Welcome and Announcements

I. 1:00 pm Southwest Montana Board

Welcome - President Jocelyn Dodge

Public Comment up to three minutes per person

- II. 1:10 pm Audrey Martin – Legislation Importance & how to approach your Legislator
- III. 1:50 pm Committee and Activity Report, Discussion, Approval, and Updates

Call Center and Inquiry Report - Elaine, Call Center

Travel Guide – update

Website updates and statistics- Katya Peterson, Tempest Technologies

Marketing Agency – Updates, logo update - Haley Walters, The Abbi Agency

Other Business

- IV. 2:30 pm Election of Officers
- V. 2:45 pm Southwest Montana Board Information and Reports

Approval of Minutes

Financial Reports - Sarah Bannon

Staff updates

VI. 3:00 pm Introductions / community updates – opportunity for *brief* updates on each community

Next meetings February 27th 1:00-3:30pm tba, March 27 1:00-3:30pm tba, April 24, Deer Lodge

Governor's Conference – April 27-29 Helena, register now

Board Members - Quorums are absolutely necessary: please assign a proxy if you cannot attend.

Southwest Montana General Yearly Activity Outline - meetings are on the third or fourth week of the month but subject to change.

Annual General Board Meeting - New Travel Guide, Election of Officers January

Cooperative Marketing February

General Board Meeting, Budget March

Brochure Exchange, Governor's Conference on Tourism and Recreation April

General Board Meeting – set up travel guide for following year May / June

General Board Meeting, Full-page advertising contracts due, all accommodation listings due, membership due September

General Board Meeting Print Advertising Schedule, Proof draft of Travel Guide, full-page advertisement artwork due, October.

General Board Meeting next year's calendar of events due, November

County Elections; no board meeting, travel guide committee meeting December

Topics to track: Montana Commerce Grants, Voices of Montana Tourism, Events, Legislative Session

Southwest Montana Board Meetings are open to the public.