

School Board Training Session

July 15, 2024 from 1-5 pm

Glacier Gateway Second Floor Maker's Space

We will be hosting the Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA) for an afternoon of professional development for the trustees of the Columbia Falls School District. This training will be under the leadership of Mrs. Debra Silk of the MTSBA.

Agenda for the Day

Time	Agenda Topic	Resources (if applicable)
12:30 - 1 pm	Get Settled and Prepared for the Training	
1:00 - 1:10 pm	Welcome and Outlook for the Day	
	What does it mean to be a Board Member? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What backgrounds do the trustees bring with them?• Trustee and Board Duties and Responsibilities (general for all)• Board-Superintendent Relationship: How to effectively utilize the superintendent to assist the school board• How do we navigate the world of Committees vs the Board as a Whole?	
	Out of District Application Process <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the process for the District?• What is the impact of the Board's Decision?• How do we navigate these decisions?• Do you have clear guidance/criteria in your policy and strategic plan?	Out of District Administrative Guidance Document
	School Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposed overhaul of the state funding formula	
	New Charter School Option <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How do we take advantage of this opportunity?	
	The Importance of Planning Strategically <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Board's responsibility of<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Setting the direction of the district○ Providing the resources to move in that direction○ Oversight	

Possible Other Topics:

- Update on pending lawsuits impacting Montana's Public Schools