Districts 1, 2 & 3 Meeting
Baker, MT – Garage Bar & Steakhouse
August 19, 2010

District 1
- Daniels
- Phillips
- Roosevelt
- Sheridan
- Valley

District 2
- Dawson
- Garfield
- McConne
- Prairie
- Richland
- Wibaux

District 3
- Carter
- Custer
- Fallon
- Powder River
- Rosebud
- Treasure

Guests: Carl Seilstad, Harold Blattie, Sheryl Wood, Shantil Siaperas, Bettie Blattie.

Welcome & Introductions: Richard Dunbar called the meeting to order. Self-introduction of all attendees was completed.

Approval of June 9, 2009 Minutes: June 9, 2009 minutes
- MOTION: Daniel Watson moved to accept the June 9, 2009 minutes. Connie Eissinger seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Legislative Report
- School Budgeting Timelines, Harold Blattie
- Entitlement Shares, Harold Blattie
- Reference Book (Reductions/Shifts), Harold Blattie
- Law & Justice Bills (DUI, DNA, Jail Standards, MERLIN), Sheryl Wood
- Health & Human Services (Finance Committee), Sheryl Wood
- PERS/SRS/SAVA (Increases/Retirees), Sheryl Wood
- Presumptive Eligibility, Harold Blattie
- DNRC Co-op Program (Work Comp Coverage), Harold Blattie
- DPHHS Rules (EMS/Ambulance Run Reporting), Sheryl Wood

Resolutions
- Historic Road Right of Way sunset, Harold Blattie
- Permissive Medical Levy/TIF Funds, Harold Blattie
- Proposed Resolutions List, Sheryl Wood

NOTE: Harold Blattie discussed medical marijuana, as this will be a large item during the legislative session.

President’s Report: Carl Seilstad gave his President’s Report.
- Enjoyed working with commissioners and staff.
- People coming up will do a good job.
- Thanks.

The group broke into their respective districts.
Break for lunch.

**District Reports:** Districts 1, 2, and 3 gave their respective reports.

- **District 3**
  - District Chair/Vice Chair Elections:
    - Don Reiger, Fallon County, elected as Chair – term ends 2012
    - Bill Loehding, Carter County, elected as Vice Chair – term ends 2012
  - Interoperability Montana
  - Problem with gravel pit permitting

- **District 2**
  - District Chair/Vice Chair Elections:
    - Doug Buxbaum, Dawson County, elected as Chair – term ends 2012
    - Todd Devlin, Prairie County, elected as Vice Chair – term ends 2012
  - In favor of Keystone XL Pipeline
  - Legislative Housing Fund

- **District 1**
  - District Chair/Vice Chair Elections:
    - No Elections – current terms don’t end until 2011

**Legislative Housing Fund:** Discussion ensued regarding Legislative Housing Fund.

- Discussion regarding keeping it:
  - Connie Eissinger, McCone County
  - Daniel Watson, Rosebud County
- Discussion regarding returning it to counties:
  - Lesley Robinson, Phillips County
- **MOTION:** Lesley Robinson motioned to return funds to counties. Todd Devlin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**MACo 2nd Vice President Nominations**

- **MOTION:** Mark Rehbein motioned to support Greg Chilcott for MACo 2nd Vice President. Don Reiger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**County Resolutions**

- **District 3**
  - None
- **District 2**
  - Make the following into Policy Statements
    - Todd Devlin discussed Antiquities and Wild Horse and Burrows
    - Mark Rehbein discussed State and Federal Land Acquisition
- **District 1**
  - Troy Blunt urged support to reaffirm MACo Resolution 2008-04, Bison Management
  - Phillips County passed a resolution that bison would be considered “domestic livestock” no matter their origin (81-2-702)
    - Also an issue with movement of bison across county lines
  - These resolutions were moved forward unanimously.

**Miscellaneous**

- Connie Eissinger, McCone County (District 2), discussed predator control (coyotes and wolves) – using money from FWP to take care of the wolves.
- Jim Courtney, Carter County (District 3), discussed sage grouse and hawks in the endangered species act.
- Lesley Robinson, Phillips County (District 1) discussed the Antiquities Act/Monument.
  - BLM Director Abbey will hold a public meeting on September 16, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the Malta High School
There has been a document released concerning a reserve (bison/monument) in Phillips County and Valley County.
- Checkerboard acquisitions
- 1 sentence in 21 pages regarding “Public Input” (not local government)

- Idaho Legal Defense Fund
- Interoperability Montana

**MACo Staff Report**
- Damage to County Roads (Toole/BNSF)
- Summitnet
- Hardin Jail
- Particulate Matter (Don Reiger) – Harold to follow-up with John Prinkki at NACo
- Fallon County
  - Air force base expansion
  - Restricted airspace
    - Air ambulances
    - Oil employees
    - Commercial flights

**Meeting Adjourned**