



State Tribal Economic Development Commission

May 25, 2011 Meeting (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)

Billings Hotel and Convention Center

AGENDA

WELCOME/ PURPOSE OF GATHERING (Shawn Real Bird)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of 1.20.11 Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Office of Indian Energy & Economic Development (Deanna Comeau)
 - a. Loan Guaranty Program
2. Montana Economic Development Association (President Larry Mires)
 - a. Partnerships
3. Montana Technology Innovation Partnership
 - a. Fast Grant
4. Montana American Indian Caucus (Representative Carolyn Pease-Lopez)
 - a. MT Legislative Update
5. USDA Rural Development (Matt Jones)

REPORTS/ONGOING BUSINESS

1. Tribal Business Update (Tribal Government Commission Members)
 - a. Blackfeet Tribe---Commissioner Jay Wells
 - b. Chippewa Cree Tribe---Commissioner Richard Sangrey
 - c. Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes---Vice Chairman Joe Durglo
 - d. Crow Tribe---Chairman Shawn Real Bird
 - e. Ft. Belknap Tribe---Commissioner Loren "Bum " Stiffarm
 - f. Ft. Peck Tribes---Commissioner Rodney Miller
 - g. Little Shell Tribe---Commissioner Randy Randolph
 - h. Northern Cheyenne Tribe---Commissioner Joe Fox, Jr.

LUNCH

1. Census Economic Information Center (**Mary Craigle and Eleanor Yellowrobe**)
2. Governor's Office of Indian Affairs Update (**Lesa Evers**)
3. Governor's Office of Economic Development Update (**Pat Wise**)
4. Montana Department of Commerce (**Andy Poole**)
5. Indian Country Economic Development (**Heather Sobrepena-George**)
6. Indian Equity Fund (**Philip Belangie**)
7. State Tribal Economic Development Commission Update (**Jason Smith**)

ADJOURNMENT