

Minutes
Missoula Civic Television Advisory Commission
August 19, 2013
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Mayor's Conference Room
City Hall

Commission Members in Attendance: Ed Childers, John Firehammer, Carol White, Jean Curtiss, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, and Jen Sauer, John Rettenmayer (Chair)

Commission Members Absent: John Van Dyke, Cynthia Wolken, Ginny Merriam

Others in Attendance: Joel Baird (MCAT), Heidi Bakula

1. Introductions
2. Review and approve minutes of June 17, 2013 – Approved as submitted
3. Public Comment – None.
4. Old/Continuing Business
 - a. Identify events for MCAT to record/televises
 - Hybrid Poplar Project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - River City Reflections which relates to city issues
 - Possible K-12 return to school show
 - Presidential Lecture Series
 - Black Studies Reunion
 - Constitutional Day Lecture
 - Festival of the Book
 - First Year Reading – Freshman Encouraged to Read
 - Union Gospel Mission Public Meeting
 - Sandra Day O'Connor's Honorary Degree Presentation
 - Healthy Child Summit – Let's Move Missoula
 - Smart 911
 - Shakespeare in the Park
 - Historic Preservation Oral History Program at the Fair
 - b. Continue discussing proposed bylaw amendments
(See attached bylaw amendments/track changes)

Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson made a motion to adopt the amendments to the bylaws and to refer the bylaw changes to city council for final approval. John Firehammer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. New Business

- a. Discuss the implications of the sale of Optimum to Charter Communications
- Joel Baird discussed the following:
 - Charter has a bad reputation for not communicating
 - Can perform repairs via computer for you from another location
 - They do not have HD yet and will most likely let other communities pave the way first

6. MCAT Board Comment

- Joel discussed the Sentinel Media Academy at Sentinel High School - new program and new building for the media center.
 - Nine cameras for kids to check out
 - May be open during the summer
 - Live programming
 - \$50,000 investment
 - Only offered to Sentinel High School students since other schools have other special programs

7. Set agenda for next meeting

Held Items

- MCAT Contract Renewal

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Date of next meeting:

September 16, 2013