

MONTANA PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION
Meeting Agenda
44 West Park Street, Butte, Montana
February 29, 2008
(ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE)

- 8:30 a.m. Call to Order – Jim Taylor, Chairman
- 8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2007 meeting (***Action Item**)
- 8:45 – 10:00 a.m. Public Defender Program Report (Chief Randi Hood – except as noted)
- Public Defender Program Update
 - Report to Governor/Legislature/Supreme Court (***Action Item**)
 - Labor – Management Discussion Update
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. Resume Public Defender Program Report
- Financial Update (Harry Freebourn)
 - 2009 Biennium Budget – Strategic Plan Discussion
 - Decision packages for CBA & Contract Attorneys
 - Legislative Items—Bills and Meetings
 - CIMP and other IT Update (Teri Heiland)
- 11:30 – 11:45 a.m. Public Comment
- 11:45 – 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 12:15 – 1:45 p.m. Resume Public Defender Program Report
- Caseload/Workload Discussion (Koan Mercer)
 - Training Coordinator Update (Eric Olson)
 - Mental Health Evaluation Protocol Update (Eric Olson) (***Action Item**)
 - Contract Officer Update and Contractor Rate Discussion (Larry Murphy)
- 1:45 – 2:00 p.m. Appellate Defender Program Report (Chief Jim Wheelis)
- 2:00 – 2:15 p.m. Break
- 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. General Discussion (Commissioners)
- Report on Indigent Defense Conference (Mike Sherwood)
 - Improper Waivers in Plea Bargains (Jim Taylor)
 - Recording Jail Phone Calls (Jim Taylor)
 - Self-Evaluation—Compliance with ABA’s Ten Principles of a Public Defender Delivery System (Dan Donovan)
 - Standards Discussion (Dan Donovan)
- 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. Public Comment – General
- 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. Public Comment – Contract Attorney
- 3:45 – 4:00 p.m. Old Business/New Business (***Action Items**)
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn