

**Minutes**  
**Missoula Civic Television Advisory Commission**  
**March 16, 2015**  
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
Mayor's Conference Room

**Commission Members in Attendance:** John Rettenmayer (Chair), Ed Childers, Ginny Merriam, Bill Carey, John Firehammer, Jen Sauer and Jean Zosel

**Commission Members Absent:** Kay Rabil (MCAT Staff), Hatton Littman, Annelise Hedahl

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

1. Introductions – Commissioner Bill Carey introduced himself to the commission.
2. The minutes of December 15, 2014 were approved as presented.
3. Public Comment – None
4. Old/Continuing Business
  - a. Review current programming schedule that has been recorded/is being recorded  
\*Identify events for MCAT to record/televise

Current Programming

- Missoula Forum for Children and Youth - Anna Semple – ACE Program
- Project Homeless Connect - Melissa Gordon and Michael Moore
- State of the Community
- Missoula County Spelling Bee
- South Crossing Development
- New Parking Meters - Anne Guest

New Programming

- Development of the trail system – Donna Gaukler at the end of May
- Culinary Competition for high school students – all 3 schools will be participating on April 25th
- Missoula Robotics Team
- Hellgate Band's experience at Carnegie Hall
- School Bond in November
- Montana Supreme Court at the university April 10
- Rural Medicine Hackathon – using tele medicine

5. New Business

Streaming of the Mountain Water Hearing – A representative from MCAT will be streaming and recording the Mountain Water court proceedings over a period of 10 days in order for it to be streamed live on the MCAT site. It will not be broadcasted so regular broadcasting will not be interrupted.

Once the hearing is over, the public will be able to purchase DVDs for \$10 per DVD per recording. There will be no editing or commentary. A counter will be used to see how many households are watching. MCAT has new technology that allows unlimited streaming without interruption.

Annual MCTAC Report – Joel Baird handed out the draft annual report for review. Ginny Merriam will prepare the introduction. MCAT runs on \$500,000 per year which is dependent upon the number of TV subscribers.

6. MCAT Board Comment

7. Set agenda for next meeting

**Held Items**

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Heidi J. Bakula, Executive Assistant

**Date of next meeting: April 20, 2015**