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Montana Beef Council Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 12, 2026 | Virtual

Call to Order, Roll Call: President Andy Kellom called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., welcomed attendees, and conducted roll call.

Members Present:

Andy Kellom (President), Montana Cattle Feeders; Jake Callantine (Vice President), Montana Angus Association; Wes Jensen, Montana Farm Bureau Federation; Travis Choat, Montana Stockgrowers Association; Debbie Andersen, Montana Dairy Association; Ken Morris, Montana Cattlemen's Association; Justin Iverson, Montana Stockgrowers Association; Trent Stoltz, Montana Farmers Union; Charlie Hollenbeck, Montana Meat Processors Association; Brett Dailey, ex-officio. Staff: Chaley Harney, Sue Broyles, Tammy Bridges, Anna Sponheim. Guests: Kinley Hartman, USDA; Brian Van Steeland, Summers McNea, Ellie Brighton, MSGA.

Not present- Corey Schultz, Montana Livestock Auction Market Association; Pamela Bilyeu, Montana CattleWomen Inc.; Andy Tuss, Montana Food Distributors Association; Al Koenig, Staff; Ben Peterson, CBB; Verna Billedeaux, CBB.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Andy Kellom asked if there were any additions or amendments to the agenda or minutes. Jake Callantine moved to approve the agenda and minutes from the December 15, 2025 meeting and Justin Iverson seconded. Motion passed.

Financial Reading: Business Manager Sue Broyles shared an investment update and MBC's financial standing as of December 31, 2025 with the members.

Monthly Presentation: Montana Beef Council Audit and 990 Report

The board heard a presentation of MBC's 2025 Audit Report and 990 Report from Brian Van Steeland, CPA, Summers McNea. He shared that there were no findings. The audit also included any designated expenditures to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association on behalf of the Federation of State Beef Councils as well as the U.S. Meat Export Federation. Justin Iverson moved to accept and approve the audit and Jake Callantine seconded. Motion passed.

Adjournment: President Andy Kellom asked if there was any further business to come before the board and seeing none he called for adjournment. Jake Callantine moved and Justin Iverson seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 9, 2026: virtual