

MONTANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Official Meeting Minutes
Remote Meeting — Teleconference
Meeting No. 04 | May 21, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Montana General Assembly meeting was called to order on May 21, 2026, by Jeffry Davis, Recording Secretary and International Notarial Witness, Flathead County, presiding in the absence of State Coordinator Wayne Voelz, who was traveling. The meeting was conducted in accordance with established assembly protocol.

Pursuant to the Bevins Decision, the following statement was read aloud three times by the presiding officer:

“This meeting is private. Bearing false witness, misrepresentation, and posting inflammatory rhetoric in public forums is forbidden and shall be addressed in an appropriate manner to eliminate all conflict and false allegations. Is there anyone in today’s meeting that is a member or agent of any law enforcement agency of federal, state, county, city, or township agencies present?”

No response was recorded at the first reading, second reading, or third reading.

2. ROLL CALL

A county roll call was conducted by the presiding officer. The following counties were confirmed present:

Flathead County — Jeffry Davis, Recording Secretary / International Notarial Witness (presiding officer)

Ravalli County — Beth (attendee)

Sanders County — Elisabeth (attendee)

Lewis and Clark County did not respond to roll call. Carbon County (Wayne Voelz, State Coordinator) was absent due to travel. Three counties were present.

3. READING OF MINUTES

The presiding officer read a summary of the minutes from Meeting No. 03, held on April 16, 2026, into the record. The April 16 meeting included: call to order with the Bevins Decision read three times; roll call with four counties present; reading and approval of the minutes from Meeting No. 02 (March 19, 2026); old business covering the ad hoc committee report on meeting procedure documentation and website development; new business including a report on the Global Family Group platform, Federation Land Recording Office access challenges, the election of Jeffry Davis to the Office of International Notarial Witness, and housekeeping matters regarding the outgoing coordinator and treasurer; general discussion on political status, taxation, and platform navigation; action items; and adjournment.

No corrections to the prior minutes were raised. The minutes from Meeting No. 03 were noted as read.

4. OLD BUSINESS

These minutes were prepared by an artificial intelligence language model (Claude, Anthropic) acting as transcription assistant on behalf of the Montana General Assembly Recording Secretary, Jeffry Davis. They represent a comprehensive summary based solely on the transcript of the May 21, 2026 meeting and are not a verbatim transcript. Final approval rests with the Assembly.

The presiding officer reviewed the outstanding old business items carried forward from prior meetings. The ad hoc committee formed by Wayne Voelz and Jeffry Davis to develop a streamlined orientation process for new participants seeking political status correction has continued its work. The process has been compiled into a meeting script designed to allow any American State National to conduct an assembly meeting independently, without dependence on specific officers or personalities. The presiding officer noted that the script used to conduct this meeting is a live test of that format. The goal is to establish a consistent, familiar agenda structure that covers all required ground at each meeting.

The Montana Assembly website (the Town Square) remains an active old business item. The assembly acknowledged and expressed appreciation for the foundational work done by Elisabeth in building the current site.

Elisabeth reported that she had spoken at length with Christine Siebels, the assembly's webmaster, earlier in the day. Elisabeth had shared with Christine the full archive of AI-assisted meeting minutes prepared by Jeffry Davis covering all Montana Assembly meetings since inception. Christine indicated that uploading and integrating that archive will require significant time and she would prepare a cost quote to send to Jeffry Davis and Wayne Voelz, to avoid any unexpected expense before the assembly decides whether to proceed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Federation Land Recording Office (LRO) Access: The presiding officer reported that access to the Federation LRO remains unresolved. The assembly has been ready and willing to upload members' completed status correction documents, but the Federation has not yet granted the Recording Secretary login credentials to the LRO. The presiding officer noted that the stated requirement is that he must be vetted by the Federation, to which he has agreed, but no response or follow-through has been received. The path to the correct Federation contact for this purpose has also proven elusive. Elisabeth asked whether the prior coordinator's LRO access credentials could be transferred; the presiding officer confirmed that he had already investigated that avenue and it is not possible — access is individually granted by the Federation.

Global Family Group Platform — Member Difficulties: The presiding officer noted that in the interim, the assembly continues to direct members to the Global Family Group platform for document recording and account establishment. However, multiple members have encountered significant difficulties following the platform's stated onboarding process.

Beth (Ravalli County) reported that she has uploaded documents to the platform but her submissions remain in a pending status. A Global platform representative informed her that she would need to have her documents recorded by the assembly's recording officer before her account could proceed — which is currently not possible given the unresolved LRO access situation. Beth indicated she intends to write directly to Anna to describe her situation and ask for guidance.

Elisabeth (Sanders County) reported that she completed the Global Family Group enrollment form and received a confirmation email welcoming her to the platform and assigning her an account identifier rather than her name. The email indicated she would receive a follow-up message with her username and temporary password; however, that second email had not arrived as of the meeting. Elisabeth noted she cannot proceed further until credentials are provided, as the platform requires a username and password to access account setup.

The presiding officer confirmed he had experienced the identical issue: after completing enrollment and receiving the initial welcome email, the credential follow-up email was never sent. The matter was ultimately

resolved only through the personal intervention of Mary Grack, the Minnesota Coordinator and Global platform liaison, who was able to correct the issue. However, it was noted that this resolution did not produce a replicable process — the presiding officer remains unable to independently guide other members through the same steps.

The assembly discussed broader concerns about the platform's reliability and support responsiveness. Elisabeth observed that the Global Family Group does not respond to support emails and that the onboarding experience does not reflect the standards expected of an organization handling financial accounts. Both the presiding officer and Elisabeth noted that they share concerns and watchfulness about contradictions between the platform's stated ease of use and members' actual experiences, and that State Coordinator Wayne Voelz has expressed similar reservations. These concerns are entered into the record at the assembly's direction.

Treasurer Election: The election of a Treasurer, previously identified as a housekeeping item following the departure of the prior treasurer, Jen, was deferred to a future meeting. Assembly members with interest in serving in that capacity continue to be encouraged to consider the role.

6. COMMITTEES

The presiding officer reported on committee formation. Elisabeth graciously agreed to continue as chair of the Website Development Committee (formerly referred to informally as the Website Reconstruction Committee; the name was updated at Elisabeth's suggestion to better reflect the nature of the work, which is an update and improvement rather than a full rebuild).

The presiding officer and Wayne Voelz each volunteered to serve on the Website Development Committee. Beth (Ravalli County) indicated she is not currently comfortable taking an active technical role in website work but expressed willingness to contribute suggestions and observations to Elisabeth directly as ideas arise, and to participate in that advisory capacity.

The webmaster's correct name was confirmed during this session as Christine Siebels (S-I-E-B-E-L-S). This corrects a prior spelling of "Tibles" that appeared in earlier records.

The ad hoc committee of Wayne Voelz and Jeffry Davis continues its work on meeting procedure documentation, LRO access, and platform orientation.

7. GENERAL DISCUSSION

No additional items were raised for general discussion beyond those addressed in the Old Business, New Business, and Committees sections of this meeting. Beth and Elisabeth both indicated they had nothing further to add. The presiding officer noted that the meeting's relatively small size allows for a more conversational format, and expressed his intent to continue following the structured agenda protocol to test and refine the meeting script.

8. ACTION ITEMS

The following action items were identified:

1. Jeffry Davis to continue pursuing Federation LRO access, including identifying the correct contact to complete the vetting process. This remains a priority item.
2. Jeffry Davis (and Wayne Voelz upon return) to investigate and communicate with the Global Family Group regarding the broken onboarding process — specifically the failure to deliver login credentials after initial enrollment — and to seek actionable guidance that assembly officers can reliably provide to members.
3. Beth (Ravalli County) to write to Anna directly to describe her situation with the Global platform and request guidance on how to proceed.
4. Website Development Committee (Elisabeth, chair; Jeffry Davis; Wayne Voelz) to continue determining scope, content priorities, and desired improvements for the Town Square website.
5. Assembly to determine a funding mechanism for website development work. Elisabeth noted that during the prior coordinator's tenure, several members contributed modest monthly amounts (approximately \$10–\$15) to cover Christine Siebels' work. The assembly will revisit this model as a potential approach going forward.
6. Jeffry Davis to correct the spelling of the webmaster's name in all assembly records from "Tibles" to "Siebels" (Christine Siebels).

9. NEXT MEETING

The next Montana General Assembly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 18, 2026 — the third Thursday of June — at 7:00 PM. (Note: the presiding officer initially referenced May 21 from prior meeting notes; Elisabeth corrected this to June 18, confirmed by counting: first Thursday June 4, second June 11, third June 18.) Wayne Voelz is expected to have returned from travel and will preside.

10. ADJOURN BUSINESS MEETING

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Beth (Ravalli County) and seconded by Elisabeth (Sanders County). No objections were recorded. The meeting was adjourned and the recording was ended.