



**WESTERN MONTANA
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF AMERICA
Business Meeting Agenda
September 14th 2024 11:00 - 12:30 pm
Goodworks and on Zoom**

o Openings (10 min)

- **Native Land Acknowledgement:** *We recognize that capitalism, land exploitation, and settler-colonialism are closely intertwined, as American capitalism was built on stolen indigenous land. We also recognize the clear role of indigenous oppression in serving the interests of fossil capitalism, as demonstrated time and time again. Finally, we believe that indigenous land rights and self determination are a crucial aspect of environmental justice and the fight against capitalist extractivism. For these reasons, we are committed to standing with the Salish and Kootenai people and pledge to support their struggle as best as we can.*
 - o Introductions: Name, Pronouns, and Question: “What’s your ‘white whale’ to make a greener world?”
 - o Community Agreements for Respectful Discussion (brief)
 - o Rotating Roles:
 - Facilitator – Brendan
 - Timekeeper – Brian
 - Progressive stack –
 - Notetaker – Steven
 - o Agenda: additions and approval
 - o Meeting Minutes: correction and approval
 - o Treasurer’s Report (Alessandro)

o Announcements - (5 Min)

- o Newsletter submissions – by Wednesday September 25th
- o Ashik and Megan are DSA National co-chairs, might be getting spoof emails.
- o Housing (Alessandro/Liam)
- o “Voice of the People: Radio by & for the 99%” radio show, Tuesdays 12-2 pm, KFGM 101.5 FM, 1015kfgm.org, or podcast on <https://anchor.fm/vop-montana>
 - Montana DSA has a podcast! <https://anchor.fm/montana-dsa>

o Working Group Reports (20 min)

- o Montanas for Palestine (Brendan)
- o Social & Outreach (Rachel/Alessandro)
 - Social & Outreach Planning for fall & winter
- o Editorial & Comms (Robbie)
- o Labor (Mark)

- Eco (Alessandro)

 - **New Chapter Projects**
 - Logo & Shirt Design
 - DSA Lecture Series
 - Fundraising Ideas
 - MT DSA Camping (carpool after this meeting!)
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Upcoming Meetings & Dates:

- **Tuesdays, September 10 to October 1, (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.) and (6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)** – Workshops based on "Organizing for Power." [via Zoom](#).
- **Saturday, September 14, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** – **Western Montana DSA Chapter Meeting**, Goodworks Place, 129 West Alder St., Missoula, and [via Zoom](#). This meeting will incorporate the first book club meeting.
- **Saturday - Sunday, September 14 - 15** – DSA camp-out at Devil's Elbow Campground by Hauser Lake. Please call/text Mark at 406-207-1884 or at manderlik@igc.org.
- **Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 p.m.** – **Editorial Working Group** meeting, [via Zoom](#). All are welcome.
- **Friday, September 20, 6:00 p.m. at Western Cider, 501 N. California** – Socialize with Socialists. Come hang out with your comrades and grow your cell/strengthen your chapter. Curious about socialism but didn't know who to ask? This is one place to start.
- **Sunday, October 6, 10:00 a.m.** – **Western Montana DSA Steering/Charting Committee** meeting in person at the Missoula Public Library and [via Zoom](#). All are Welcome!
- **Saturday, October 12, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** – **Western Montana DSA Chapter Meeting**, Goodworks Place, 129 West Alder St., Missoula, and via Zoom.