



# Western Montana Democratic Socialists of America



**Monthly Business Meeting**

**April 12, 2025. 10am**

**Location: Blackfoot Room, Missoula Public Library & via Zoom**

- **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.*
  - Introductions: Name, Pronouns, and Question: **“How do you plan to participate in the Bernie rally on Wednesday?”**
  - Community Agreements for Respectful Discussion (brief)
  - Rotating Roles:
    - Facilitator – Rachel
    - Timekeeper – Sarah
    - Progressive stack – Brian
    - Notetaker – Steven
  - Agenda: additions and approval
  - Meeting Minutes: correction and approval
  - Treasurer’s Report (Sarah)
  - **Announcements - (5 Min)**
    - Newsletter submissions – by **Friday, April 25**
    - Jeanette Rankin Peace Center **Peacemaker of the Year** April 27, 2-4 PM
    - National DSA Security call (Rachel)?
    - “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>
  - **Working Group Reports (20 min)**
    - Social & Outreach (Rachel)
    - Editorial & Comms (Robbie)
    - Labor (Steven)
    - Eco (Dave Jones)
    - Palestine (Brendan)

- **New Chapter Projects (30 min)**
    - Bernie in Missoula Wed, April 16! (Steven)
    - Statewide DSA update (Mark?)
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#### Upcoming Meetings & Dates:

- **Sunday, April 13th, 12:00 p.m. Bernie Prep** meeting via Zoom.
- **Wednesday, April 16th, - Tabling at the Bernie Rally**
- **Wednesday, April 16th, 6:00 p.m. Labor Working Group** meeting via Zoom, [contact Mark Anderlik](#) for link.
- **Saturday, April 19, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Board Game Social**, Public Library, Cooper Room B.
- **Monday, April 21, 4:30 p.m. - Social and Outreach** meeting, Flippers.
- **Tuesday, April 22, 6:00 p.m. - Editorial Working Group** meeting, via Zoom. All are welcome.
- **Tuesday, April 22, 6:00 p.m. - Electoral Working Group** meeting, via Zoom.
- **Sunday, April 27, 2:00 p.m. - Peacemaker Ceremony for Brendan @ Holy Spirit Episcopal 130 S. 6th St East.**
- **Thursday, May 1, 6:30. Unions in Missoula** presentation, talk and BBQ at Free Cycles. All are welcome to our Speaker Series!
- **Saturday, May 3, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.** Kiwanis Park. Annual May Day picnic/potluck.
- **Sunday, May 4, 11:00 a.m.** Steering meeting via Zoom. All are welcome.
- **Saturday, May 10, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Western Montana DSA Chapter Meeting**, Jeanette Rankin Peace Center, Missoula and via Zoom.