

MSTA General Business Meeting
October 20, 2017
Big Sky High School, Missoula

President Jessi Anderson called the meeting to order as the approximately 60 people in attendance were eating.

Ryan Hannahoe introduced Harold Dramstad who spoke about aeronautics opportunities for teachers and students in Montana. Resources include the [Experimental Aircraft Association](#) and its Young Eagles program; [Montana Civil Air Patrol](#) and the [Montana Aerospace Scholars Program](#).

President Jessi Anderson introduced the MSTA Executive Board and Board of Directors. She also reminded everyone that previous minutes of MSTA Board and General Meetings are on the MSTA website: montanascience.org

Katie Capp gave a brief treasurer's report, reminding members to renew and encourage colleagues to join MSTA.

Judy Boyle, President-elect, gave a report on the 2017 NSTA Congress on Science Education that she attended in Buffalo, NY in July.

Jessi Anderson shared strategic goals developed by the Executive Board and encouraged interested members to volunteer to serve on the goals committees. The strategic goals are Membership, Membership Connection and Online presence.

Elections were held and David Chalmers was elected as Region 1 Director, Keira Patera as Region 2 director, Jessica Henze as Region 4 director and Ben Cummins as Earth science representative.

Elizabeth Matthews announced the 2018 Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching nominations are open for K-6 teachers. Nominations can be made on the [PAESMT website](#).

Kim Popham presented Randy Mogen from Park High School in Livingston with a certificate as the 2017 Montana recipient of the [Outstanding Biology Teacher of the Year Award](#). Information about the [2018 USA Biology Olympiad](#) is also available.

Judy Boyle encouraged members to submit information and articles for the MSTA Newsjournal.

Jessi Anderson recognized Natalie McGrath for her service as the Earth science representative.

Karen Roark was introduced as the NASA representative.

The meeting ended with drawings for door prizes.