

Please attach these comments to the minutes of the PIB meeting for Robert and Barbara Rose.

(MDOC's obligation to provide "specific notice" on agenda)

The boards agenda includes visitation however, there appears to be no specific notice of exactly what is being discussed in relation to visitation., leaving us and other members of the public to guessing how we should comment. We have no specific notice in regards to your decision making process relating to visitation.

The Montana Department of Corrections is required to give the public specific notice of matters before there can be any action.

The boards agenda is as general as can be rather than specific. See (Montana Code ann. 2-3-103).

With that being said, we request specific notice that encourages our participation. After all, the visitation effects we the public directly. This is a significant interest to the public.

Your agenda item concerning Correspondence and Mail is also equally vague and general. Its also a matter that directly effects the public and we need more specific notice.

Non agenda item

- 1) Men are having eye problems due directly to the fact that the TV's are too small for daily use. It will cost more to the state in optical bills to continue to carry these tv's on commissary. Please look into a larger tv.
- 2) Yard. At the Law and Justice meeting in December Sen. Shockley inquired about yard everyday at MSP. Stating that

it seems logical that men in closed housing units would be more compliant and healthier if they were able to get an hour of fresh air EVERYDAY. Now that the windows have been bolted shut on the high side compounds there is no fresh air coming in to circulate the air flow. There will be more sickness resulting in more medical bills for the State. The everyday yard on the high side has been brought up several times in the past and now even has the backing of a state Senator. What makes sense to people doesn't make sense at MSP? Please consider the long term benefit to yard for those locked down most of the day.

- 3) Visitation hours. Making visitation start earlier would help the visitors traveling a long way be able to get home safely instead of traveling a long distance at night. Shelby has visitation from 8-5 two days a week. There are less than half the inmate population there so a 8-9 hour visitation day 5 days a week at MSP is not extreme.
- 4) Some inmates are experiencing problems with their mail either not getting to them or getting out of the prison to their loved ones. I believe this is retaliatory in nature. It has happened to me personally off and on for years, however, more and more visitors are complaining about it happening to them. Especially anyone who speaks up about the problems at MSP.

Thank you for adding these comments on our behalf.  
Rob and Barbara Rose