MOA Implementation Team Phone Meeting
October 14, 2010

**Attendance:** Barry Good, Daniel Bingham, David Hall, Jane Karas, Jim Cargill, and John Cech (Anneliese Ripley, Bob Hietala, and Joe Schaffer – excused) also joining was Anne Clark (CRA)

The following was discussed:

**Commissioner’s Listening Tour**
Recent attendance has been high with good interaction from those participating. All future sights are encouraged to invite additional groups and individuals. Regents are requesting members from local Boards of Education and the Commissioner has requested high school and college students be invited.

**Communications and Engagement RFP**
OCHE is currently completing the announcement document which will be handled and advertised through the Montana Department of Administration. The process is taking longer than expected with posting hopefully occurring by the end of this week.

**White House Summit on Community Colleges**
Jane reported on her involvement in the conference. She was very pleased to have been invited to participate. There were lots of speakers emphasizing the increasing need for 2-year college education. Many national sponsors are coming forward with substantial grants to address this issue. The group agreed we need to start talking about a state plan for possible action as RFPs are announced.

**Regional Hubs**
Deputy Commissioner Moe had sent the group the proposed Regional Hub Plan on Monday, October 11 asking for comments. Daniel has responded with written concerns. All present on the call indicated there needs to be considerable discussion not only on the boundary and rules of the regions, but the fiscal implications as well. It is the desire of this group that these discussions can be made in a face-to-face setting. It was suggested to possibly meet before/after the next Board of Regents meeting in Missoula.

The next meeting is scheduled for

**Thursday, October 28, 2010**
9:00 AM
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