

From: **Doug Reisig** <[dreisig@mqec.org](mailto:dreisig@mqec.org)>  
Date: Thu, May 16, 2024 at 9:42 AM  
Subject: Re: MQEC Information Update - Montana School Insurance Alliance (MTSIA)  
To: Corrina Guardipee-Hall <[corrinag@bps.k12.mt.us](mailto:corrinag@bps.k12.mt.us)>

Corrina:

Thanks for the email.

Attached are two documents that reflect what MQEC is preparing to do and is working on, in anticipation of the upcoming legislative session. The first document is, of course, a document that contains the six major goals that MQEC is working on and will be dedicating its attention to accomplishing for the 2024/2025 school year.

The second document is a document that I sent earlier that indicates why Browning Public Schools and, in reality, all Montana public schools should be MQEC members.

Also, just an FYI, if you had the opportunity or your business manager had the opportunity to listen to the MTSBA ThinkTank Thursday session from last week where Lance Melton spoke about an innovative, new school funding formula for Montana K-12 public schools (a project that MQEC is deeply involved with) that might be helpful in addressing what the **Number #1** issue for MQEC will be as the 69th legislative session nears. If the Browning school district trustees want to know **(and they have every right to know)** what is in the works right now for MQEC, the development of that new K-12 school funding system is right at the top of the list. Just so you know, that session was recorded and is available for review from the MTSBA website.

Corrina, with the decennial study on K-12 school funding on the horizon, scheduled to convene after the 69th legislative session adjourns, MQEC (comprised of its school district members and other MQEC members, including MTSBA, MFPE, SAM, MREA, and MASBO) will work without hesitation on being proactive in leading the K-12 school funding formula development discussion. MQEC does not want K-12 public education funding to take a step back. On the contrary, MQEC wants K-12 school funding to move forward with the funding model that can work for Montana schools, both in relation to equity and adequacy, for the next ten years.

I hope I answered your question about what is in the works for MQEC for the 2024/2025 school year. MQEC needs the Browning Public Schools to be a voice and a presence in that funding formula discussion. There really is strength in numbers when dealing with the legislature and addressing what is of importance to Montana K-12 public education. Together, we can accomplish a great deal and Browning Public Schools is a key MQEC member.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Doug

D  
r  
.  
D  
o  
u  
g  
l  
a  
s  
R  
e  
i  
s  
i  
g  
,  
E  
x  
e  
c  
u  
t  
i  
v  
e  
D  
i  
r  
e  
c  
t  
o  
r  
M  
o  
n  
t  
a  
n  
a  
S  
c  
h  
o  
o  
l  
I  
n  
s  
u  
r  
a  
n  
c  
e  
A  
l  
l  
i  
a  
n  
c  
e

ducation Coalition  
Box 17311  
Missoula, MT 59808  
(406) 544-4335  
[dreisig@mqec.org](mailto:dreisig@mqec.org)

