



Mesa County Safety Council (MCSC)

May 19, 2026, monthly meeting

President – Vacant; **Vice President** – Vee Edstrom; **Treasurer** – Derek Felix; **Secretary** – Jim Pringle; **Board Member At-Large** – Sanatam Khalsa; **Other Board Member At-Large** – Joshua Kirschner; **Past President** – Vacant

Members present – Jason Talley (SD51), Joshua Kirschner (Valor Tactical), Derek Felix (Boise-Cascade), Drene Stevens (Grand Valley Brain Injury/Epilepsy), Bill Vavek (Hilltop Community Resources), Jim Pringle (NWS liaison & Mesa County LEPC)

The meeting was called to order at 10:41 AM MDT, followed by introductions.

(Action items highlighted in yellow.)

The meeting start was delayed due to unsuccessful efforts to make the video-conference option to work. Joshua Kirschner said that he will look into the Microsoft setup capabilities to seek a way for those at in-person meetings to start the video-conference instead of dependence on someone remotely starting the video-conference.

Review 4/21/26 Meeting Minutes

Drene Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes. Joshua Kirschner seconded the motion. Approval by members present was unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT –

Bank Balance as of 4/21/26	\$7566.43
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Deposits

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| • None | \$0.00 |
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Total Deposits	\$0.00
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Withdrawals

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| • 4-29-26 – Check #2074 (to Mesa Mall for 2026 SF mall rental) | \$1100.00 |
| • 5-11-26 – Check #2075 (to STA for 2026 SF bussing) | \$2699.99 |

Total Withdrawals	\$3799.99
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Bank Balance as of 5/19/26 (verified with Bank of CO)	\$3766.44
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Pending Withdrawals:

Unreimbursed Expenditures by Glenn Kiser:

- 1-22-24 – 2 boxes of 1,000 T-shirt bags (for prefilled swag bags) \$37.96
- 2-20-24 – Office Depot – 4 safety fair sponsor posters (20" X 30") \$195.56
- 2-21-24 - USLI Director and Officers Liability Insurance \$698.00
- 2-24-24 – Replacement easel \$30.49
- 12-16-24 – Office Depot - Packaging tape \$30.38
- 2-20-25 – Home Loan Ins. – Special Event Ins. required by Mesa Mall \$544.00
- 2-29-25 – Office Depot – 4 safety fair sponsor posters (20" X 30") \$195.56
- 3-19-25 – Elite Events – table (14) and chair (118) rental \$480.15
- **Reimbursement due to Glenn Kiser (prior to 3/17/26) \$2212.10**
- **Reimbursement due to Glenn Kiser (after 3/17/26 \$1250.09 paid) \$962.01***

Projected Balance after pending withdrawals * **\$2804.43**

* In addition to the \$1250.09 to reimburse Glenn Kiser, additional reimbursements need to be paid to Glenn Kiser for purchases he made that are related to the 2026 safety fair, including the table and chair rentals, packaging tape, the four sponsor posters, and some other items. We will totally reimburse Glenn when he provides the receipts.

Bill Vavek said that in addition to his previous request for a letter of need for donations from the MCSC, he also asked that information on actual expenses by the MCSC for the 2026 Mesa County Safety Fair be included so that he could request a sponsorship from Hilltop Community Resources to support the 2027 safety fair. Jim Pringle said he would provide him with that information, along with a copy of the 8/22/97 confirmation letter from the IRS designating the MCSC as a 501(c)(3) organization.

Initial Planning for the 2027 Mesa County Safety Fair

- Jim Pringle reiterated that he would coordinate the proposed 2027 safety fair dates of February 24-25 with SD51, and then with Mesa Mall this summer
- It was again suggested that the MCSC board members research the Colorado Army National Guard facility at 2820 Riverside Parkway as a possible backup location for the safety fair if Mesa Mall should not become available in the future.
- Jim Pringle suggested that the MCSC should plan on having a budget of about \$7000 for the 2027 safety fair, based on the expenses incurred for the 2026 safety fair and assuming those costs remain nearly static.
- Derek Felix said that he updated the donation page on the MCSC's website to include three options for donation amounts; \$50, \$100, and \$150. This was done to allow the MCSC to request amounts above \$50 for future safety fair donation fees, as requested by MCSC members at the 4/21/26 MCSC meeting.

- Derek Felix also said that he updated the verbiage for the donation receipts that are automatically produced when donors use the online donation resource <https://mesacountysafetycouncil.org/donations>.
- Several items from the 4/19/26 MCSC meeting were discussed again:
 - Large exhibitor signage will be needed for GVP and Xcel Natural Gas.
 - Need to preposition carpet squares in the mall BEFORE the display vehicles arrive the evening prior to the first day of the safety fair.
 - MCSC board members should meet with the CHS JROTC cadets the week prior to the safety fair to better prepare the cadets for their assistance.
 - Will need 1200 Empty Swag Bags to hand out to students upon entrance to the safety fair.
 - Prefilled swag bags – again plan on 1200 to fill the week prior to the fair.
 - Need much larger safety fair EXIT sign, as well as an easel for the sign.
 - Safety Fair Security/Safety Team – will reconvene in early 2027.
 - Post mall map of exhibitor locations on MCSC website before safety fair.
 - Continue the attendance incentive of the safety fair drawing for prizes.
 - Request to orgs. by early October for updated/new safety videos/quizzes.

MCSC IT Team Updates

- Derek Felix announced that due to his career responsibilities he will be stepping down as the MCSC's treasurer as of September 2026 after completing his two years as treasurer. However, he would like to remain as the MCSC's webmaster.

Board Member Nominations/Elections

- It was stated that nominations for a new treasurer will be scheduled for the upcoming 9/15/26 MCSC meeting.
- Joshua Kirschner nominated himself for another two years as an At-Large board member. Jason Talley seconded the nomination. The votes for Joshua were unanimous!
- Jim Pringle nominated himself for another two years as secretary. Joshua Kirschner seconded the nomination. The votes for Jim were unanimous.

Donation Resources and Prospects

- Walmart Spark Program Grant – It was stated that Vee was planning to meet with the manager of the Rimrock Walmart before Joshua Kirschner submits the grant paperwork to Walmart.
- A persistent request was made for MCSC members to consider signing up for the City Market Community Rewards Program and designate the charitable donations to the MCSC. It was mentioned that there is no cost for those who participate.

Other Upcoming Events to Promote Safety Messages

- Jim Pringle said he sent an invitation for organizations to participate with a booth catering to children at the 6/6/26 GJ Kiwanis Pancake Day and Fun Fest at the Mesa County Jim Fairgrounds.

Other Items

- A collection for cash was made to purchase a Sportsman's Warehouse gift card for Glenn Kiser upon his retirement from the MCSC. A paper was distributed to those in attendance at today's meeting for messages of appreciation to write to Glenn Kiser. Jim Pringle said he would purchase a "thank you & best wishes" card for Glenn Kiser and enclose the written messages and \$100 gift card. Jim said he would personally deliver them to Glenn, most likely at the Kiwanis Pancake Day event on 6/6/26.
- The next monthly MCSC meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2026.

At 11:41 AM MST the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Pringle, MCSC Secretary