

#### MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICALS

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# **PRESS RELEASE**

## MELISSA BARTELT OF REED POINT SCHOOLS NAMED OUTSTANDING SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

Helena, MT- Melissa Bartelt, Reed Point Public Schools District Clerk and Business Administrator, was awarded the Montana Outstanding School Business Official of the Year, at the Montana Association of School Business Officials (MASBO) Conference held at the Billings Hotel in Montana in June. The Outstanding School Business Official Award recognizes and highlights the indispensable role school business officials have in educating Montana's children, with a commitment to the students, staff and taxpayers within their community. Melissa will be honored at the upcoming Montana Conference of Educational Leadership which will be held in Missoula Montana on October 17th.

Melissa was nominated by the Heather Jarrett, Superintendent of Reed Point Schools and Dr. Corey Austin, Superintendent of Sweet Grass County High School, and the nomination was supported by a number of district staff and affiliates, as well as the Deputy Treasurer of Stillwater County, Norma Brewer. Letters cited Bartelt's integrity, willingness to mentor others, and her ability to focus on the well being of the children of the community she serves. While being exceptional within her position, Melissa goes above and beyond by volunteering in the classroom as a reading buddy, assisting the student council, and is responsible for the successful implementation of a school breakfast and snack program providing much needed nutritional assistance to the students of Reed Point.



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Originally from Spearfish South Dakota, Melissa moved to Big Timber Montana in 2002. She traveled several different career paths prior to accepting the position of school business manager and district clerk of Reed Point, where she has remained for over 16 years. Melissa holds her Associates Degree in Business and Marketing. Melissa states that she owes her success in school finance to the support of her husband Scott, her amazing children and family, her fantastic coworkers and community, and the friends she has made through her participation within the MASBO organization.

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Photo attached in email.

About Montana Association of School Business Officials: MASBO's mission is to empower school business leaders through education. Beginning in 1968, MASBO has been dedicated to enabling its members in the efficient and responsible management of school business and operations in support of the education for Montana's children. MASBO's website is www.masbo.com.

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