

MINUTES

of the

THREE-HUNDRED-EIGHTY-NINTH MEETING

of the

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

January 20, 2020 Santa Fe

The three-hundred-eighty-ninth meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order on Monday, January 20, 2020, at 1:18 p.m. in Room 307 of the State Capitol by Senator Mary Kay Papen, co-chair.

Present Absent

Rep. Brian Egolf, Co-Chair

Sen. Mary Kay Papen, Co-Chair

Sen. Pete Campos

Rep. Candy Spence Ezzell

Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos

Sen. Stuart Ingle

Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom

Rep. Rod Montoya

Sen. William H. Payne

Sen. Clemente "Memé" Sanchez

Sen. John Arthur Smith

Rep. Sheryl Williams Stapleton

Rep. James G. Townsend

Sen. James P. White

Sen. Peter Wirth

Special Advisory Members Present

Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon

Rep. Phelps Anderson

Rep. Deborah A. Armstrong

Rep. Gail Chasey

Rep. Kelly K. Fajardo

Sen. Ron Griggs

Rep. Jason C. Harper

Rep. Dayan Hochman-Vigil

Sen. Daniel A. Ivey-Soto

Rep. Georgene Louis

Rep. Antonio Maestas

Sen. George K. Munoz

Sen. Steven P. Neville

Sen. Michael Padilla

Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle

Special Advisory Members Absent

Rep. Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert

Sen. Gabriel Ramos

Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero

Rep. Patricio Ruiloba

Sen. William E. Sharer

Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr.

Sen. Mimi Stewart

Rep. Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson

Rep. Christine Trujillo

Staff

Raúl E. Burciaga, Director, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
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Approval of Minutes

On a motion made, seconded and passed, the minutes of the December 16, 2019 meeting were approved as submitted.

Capitol Security

Mr. Burciaga introduced Major Matthew Broom, New Mexico State Police, to provide an overview of capitol security procedures for the session.

Major Broom explained that the state police capitol security detail would feature two two-week-long rotations of 15 state police officers, including at least one member from each state police district. He noted that members of each detail had already met with legislative staff and would be touring the State Capitol later in the day. Major Broom said that the explosive ordnance disposal team would conduct a sweep of the building before the session begins and periodically as the session continues. He said that other state police teams, including the tactical and event response teams, would be available on an as-needed basis.

The council thanked Major Broom and the New Mexico State Police for helping to keep the visiting public and legislators safe during the session.

Legislative Council Policies and Anti-Harassment Policy

Mr. Boller explained that the council had recently reviewed and updated revisions to Legislative Council Policy No. 15 and the Anti-Harassment Policy but that further revision had been recommended. He noted that language regarding affidavits verifying the truthfulness of allegations made in complaints had been reconciled in both policies and provided the council with the updated language in each policy.

In response to a question, Mr. Boller explained that the policies being considered concern violations of the rules of the legislature, of which the legislature has the sole authority to be the judge, and therefore did not interact with the State Ethics Commission.

In response to another question, Mr. Boller explained that while all complaints are treated as confidential, the policy does allow for informal resolution of complaints; provided that the informal resolution meets the satisfaction of the complainant and respondent. In those cases, an investigatory subcommittee is not required.

On a motion made, seconded and passed, the council approved the revisions to Legislative Council Policy No. 15 and the Anti-Harassment Policy.

Staff Reports

Mr. Burciaga reminded the council that the Anti-Harassment training required of all members of the legislature would begin shortly after the council meeting adjourned.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.