

**MINUTES
of the
FIRST MEETING
of the
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**June 9, 2023
State Capitol, Room 309
Santa Fe**

The first meeting of the Indian Affairs Committee was called to order by Representative D. Wonda Johnson, chair, on June 9, 2023 at 10:10 a.m. in Room 309 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Rep. D. Wonda Johnson, Chair
Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon
Rep. Charlotte Little
Sen. Bill B. O'Neill
Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle
Sen. Nancy Rodriguez
Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero
Sen. Joshua A. Sanchez
Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr.
Rep. Martin R. Zamora

Absent

Sen. Shannon D. Pinto, Vice Chair
Rep. Anthony Allison
Rep. John Block
Rep. Tara Jaramillo
Sen. Brenda G. McKenna
Sen. William E. Sharer

Advisory Members

Rep. Harry Garcia
Sen. Linda M. Lopez
Sen. William P. Soules

Rep. Gail Chasey
Sen. Stuart Ingle
Rep. Derrick J. Lente
Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom
Sen. Michael Padilla
Rep. Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson

Staff

Lenaya Montoya, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Nicole Waguespack, Researcher, LCS
Angela Dakan, Staff, LCS
Grace Balderamos, Staff, LCS

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the committee meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and committee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

Friday, June 9

Welcome and Introductions (10:10 a.m.)

Representative Johnson welcomed everyone, and members of the committee, staff and audience introduced themselves.

Discussion of Focus Areas, Work Plan and Meeting Schedule (10:17 a.m.)

Ms. Montoya presented the proposed work plan and meeting schedule for the 2023 interim and asked committee members for their input and suggestions. The committee discussed the work plan and suggested additional topics for discussion and changes to meeting locations.

Upon a motion made and seconded, the committee voted to approve the 2023 proposed work plan but to keep the meeting schedule tentative and contingent on location availability.

Public Comment (10:51 a.m.)

A list of individuals making public comment is available in the meeting file.

In response to a question from a member of the public, Ms. Montoya explained that, for meetings that are held outside of the State Capitol, the LCS is currently unable to offer online remote-participation services for people who are not able to attend in person but that public comments can be emailed to the LCS prior to the meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.