



## New Mexico Commission on the Status of Women Meeting Minutes August 8, 2022

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*of Women*

### Members in Attendance:

- ❖ Lisa Curtis – Chair
- ❖ Mary Ann Ustick– Commissioner
- ❖ Alicia M. Bertram– Commissioner
- ❖ Katherine Ferlic – Commissioner
- ❖ Erin Armstrong – Commissioner
- ❖ Lorrina L. Segovia – Commissioner
- ❖ Arianna W. Parsons – Commissioner
- ❖ Brenda Saiz – Commissioner
- ❖ Denise Torres – Commissioner
- ❖ Leigh Ana Shaw – Commissioner
- ❖ Christina M. Herrera Furst – Commissioner
- ❖ Jenifer Raphael Getz – Executive Director

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### Public in Attendance:

- Terrelene Massey, E.D. Southwest Women’s Law Center
- Lisa Padilla, Manager, Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains
- Sarah Ghiorse, NM Women.org
- Joan Lamunyon Stanford, E.D. New Mexico Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice
- Dakota Waterson, ACLU

### 4:00-Call to Order & Statement of Business.

#### Lisa Curtis – Commission Chair

- Purpose of the meeting is to have three primary goals to support the Protecting Access to Reproductive Health Care Services in New Mexico.



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**4:05- Presentation of information and data on the impact of the Dobbs decision on the Status of Women in New Mexico.**

- Charlene Bencomo, E.D. Bold Futures
- Dr. Eve Espey, Director UNM Center for Reproductive Health

**4:50 PM - Public Comment on priorities for the Commission regarding the impact of the Dobbs decision in New Mexico.**

**5:10 PM - Questions and Discussion by Commissioners regarding priorities the Commission should consider.**

- **Katherine Ferlic - Commissioner. Presented goal #1**
- Keep women and pregnant people, including those who identify as LGBTQ+, safe and legally protected in New Mexico by supporting policies and programs that protect and expand access to reproductive care and abortion care, and by opposing all policies or programs that seek to restrict or penalize access to safe abortion.
- Motion to adopt goal was made by: Arianna Parsons, Commissioner
- Second was made by: Denise Torres, Commissioner
- Votes For- 11
- Votes Against- 0
- Abstentions- 0

- **Leigh Ana Shaw - Commissioner. Presented Goal #2**

Protect and keep health care providers who provide reproductive healthcare, including abortion, safe and legally protected.

- Motion to adopt goal was made by: Denise Torres, Commissioner
- Second was made by: Alicia Bertram, Commissioner
  - Votes For- 11



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- Votes Against- 0
- Abstentions- 0

- **Erin Armstrong, Commissioner. Presented goal #3**

Work practically to expand availability and access to reproductive healthcare, including abortion, across the state, with a special emphasis on rural New Mexico.

- Motion to adopt goal was made by: Lisa Curtis, Commission Chair
- Second was made by: Denise Torres, Commissioner
  - Votes For- 11
  - Votes Against- 0
  - Abstentions- 0

**5:45 PM - Action by Commissioners on priorities to help Women in New Mexico deal with the impact of the Dobbs decision.**

Goals #1, #2 & #3 were all unanimously approved by the Commissioners. Next steps to follow.

**6:05 PM- Meeting adjourned.**

- Motion to adjourn was made by: Denise Torres, Commissioner
- Second was made by: Katherine Ferlic, Commissioner