New Mexico Commission on the Status of Women
Full Commission Meeting via Zoom Videoconferencing
April 5, 2022

Meeting called to order – 5:00 p.m.

Commissioners in attendance:
Lisa Curtis, Chair
Mary Lane Leslie
Kate Ferlic
Lorrina Segovia
Gabrielle Begay
Denise Torres
Brenda Saiz
Maryann Ustick

Public in attendance:
Terrelene Massey
Jessie Lane Hunt
Steven Mills
Julianna Koob

-Lisa Curtis, Chair, Call to Order. Welcomes Ms. Jessie Hunt as Interim Executive Director and introduction. Ms. Hunt was interviewed and was vetted last year to be a co-director but was unable to commit the time. She is very qualified and is passionate about the Commission mission. She will help keep things on track, will help with the hiring process of a permanent ED, and will help build upon the framework and foundation that has been started.

- Jessie Hunt, Introduction: Works in NM with focus on public affairs work. Mission of the Commission is core to all the work done in her life to help women be successful. Has experience with state government and looking forward to helping find and hire permanent ED. Will stay on to help train ED.

-Group Discussion on Executive Director hire – qualifications, background, experience. Potential need to hire an administrative assistant. Potential candidates' information should be sent to Ms. Hunt.

- Guest speaker Ms. Terrelene Massey. Executive Director of SW Women's Law Center. Presented on current work in the state re: Paid Family Medical Leave. Multiple attempts at legislation to enact this in the state. In 2022 a Senate memorial passed creating a task force. Task force will hold public meetings through the state. No formal appointments yet.

-Reformation of Ad Hoc Interview Committee for Executive Director hire. Committee members:
Lisa Curtis
Kate Ferlic
Erin Armstrong
Gabrielle Begay
Mary Lane Leslie
Lorrina Segovia
Maryann Ustick

- Guest speaker Julianna Koob gave a presentation on Affirmative Consent legislation. Going to be reintroduced in next session. Teaching 8th grade through college that only yes means yes when applied to seeking consent with sexual activity.

-Lisa Curtis, Chair - Next meeting in a month. Will send poll and get it scheduled. Will need an update from Jessie and ad hoc on progress.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.