

WOMEN'S RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Virtual Meeting - TEAMS
Tuesday, October 15, 2024
4:00pm

MINUTES

The Women's Rights Commission met virtually at the above date and time.

The following Commissioners were present:	The following Commissioners were absent:
Kathryn Lucero	Elisa Morales- not present
Diana Ramirez	
Sandy Azcona	
Myndi Luevanos	
Maxey Scherr	
Lisa Turner-Late	

AGENDA

Call to order, staff and committee introductions

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM and

Attendance was taken by Symone Menchaca, WRC Board Liaison.

1. Discussion and action to approve the Minutes of the Women's Rights Commission Meeting of August 20, 2024.

Motion made by Commissioner Scherr, seconded by Commissioner Ramirez, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the meeting minutes of August 20, 2024.

AYES: Commissioners Lucero, Azcona, Luevanos, Scherr, Ramirez

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Morales, Turner (Late)

2. Notation: Marina Monsisvais has accepted a Chair position with Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, leaving a vacancy on the Woman's Rights Commission Board.

No Action Taken.

3. Discussion and action to nominate a new Chair and Vice Chair for the new term, from September 2024 to August 2026.

Board Roles of Vice Chair and Chair to the Commission were nominated based on a random number draw of names per the WRC Resolution.

Chair: Kathryn Lucero – September 2024 to August 2026

Vice Chair- Sandy Azcona – September 2024 to August 2026.

4. Discussion and action of the Women’s Rights Commission to explore opportunities to attend or host conferences aligned with the mission of the commission, proposed by Commissioner Scherr.

No Action Taken. Item tabled to discuss a strategy for a budget as mention by Chair Lucero and Commissioner Ramirez and Azcona.

5. Discussion and Action for the Women’s Rights Commission to create working groups consisting of 3-4 people to develop solutions to issues addressed in the Strategic Plan to help streamline and maximize time between meetings, proposed by Commissioner Turner.

Legal Attorney to the WRC, Karla Saenz, mentioned the working groups would need to be below quorum. The groups would need to align with the Commissions strategic plan. The groups would focus on different objectives within the strategic plan and would provide a time window to give updates within the group to the rest of the Commission.

Motion made by Commissioner Azcona, seconded by Commissioner Scherr, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the creation of working groups.

AYES: Commissioners Lucero, Luevanos, Ramirez, Azcona

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Morales, Turner (Late)

6. Discussion and Action for the Women’s Rights Commissions to change the quorum requirements from five Commissioners to four or possibly three members, as proposed by Commissioner Turner.

The item is not available for discussion and action, as the Commission is not able to change quorum requirements. This advisory board is created with a resolution as the originating document establishing the Women’s Rights Commission.

Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Ramirez, seconded by Commissioner Luevanos, and the motion unanimously carried to **APPROVE** this item.

AYES: Commissioners Lucero, Turner, Luevanos, Azcona, Ramirez

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Morales

Meeting adjourned at 4:46 pm.