



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

COMMISSION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE AFFAIRS

Topic: Monthly Meeting

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 5:00 pm

Location: Zoom

Contact: Terry Sloan, Liaison

MEMBERS

Dr. Lloyd Lee
Denise Zuni
Lorenzo Jim
Kim Benally
Kimberly Gleason
Jimmy Secatero

Rebecca Riley (Chair)
Kyle Tapaha (Co-Chair)
Thelma Antonio (Secretary)
Marissa Naranjo
Raven Begay

Minutes

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call/Establish Quorum

Roll call was not taken; if quorum is reached a roll call will be taken. This will be an informal meeting and no approvals or motions will be made due to lack of quorum. April 13, 2022, minutes will not be approved, nor will new items be added to the agenda. Updates will continue from staff and commission members.

2. Approval of meeting agenda.

No motion to approve agenda due to lack of quorum.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

No motion to approve April 13, Meeting minutes due to lack of quorum.

4. New Business

a. None

b. Public Comment - None

Discussion and Updates

- b. Statement Letter to the Indian Education Department. A final draft was sent to the APS (Albuquerque Public Schools) Indian Parent Committee (IPC) with intent to send the letter by the end of May. Native Leadership Collective (NLC) also had an interest in sending a letter of support. The commission is awaiting IPC's final draft, but no response has been sent. CIANA will check in with IPC and NLC for an update. CIANA will submit the letter as intended. Commissioner Chair Riley will contact Laura Harris for an update.
- c. Co-chair Tapaha shared information from the community ambassador workgroup with law enforcement summit at Los Duranes Community Center regarding the state response plan and identified goals to be worked on and focusing on communication. Dawn, commissioner Benally and Co-chair facilitated the session. Commissioner Tapaha also attended an APS

meeting with high school students and mentorship with five programs designed for student engagement. Phil Amador of Starbucks was contacted for interest and support for the youth program. Volunteers will be initially sent to assist in events, and consideration to become more involved will be determined. Youth day is on the June 21st at Berna Fascio Center.

- d. Commissioner Chair Riley is continuing follow up with meetings, along with the 4-H AIS (Albuquerque Indian School) site. Both Commissioner Chair and Commissioner Antonio attended the neighborhood association meeting at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center. Commissioner Chair Riley attended the 10-minute presentation to APCG; there was not enough time to disclose remaining information. Both commissioners will attend the planned tribal consultation.
- e. Commissioner Lee spoke of the intent of the commission's position to be permanent and not tied to city government. City government needs to more aware of Indian issues and concerns due to lack of recognition in city council and city employees. The commission should not have to insist that it is a viable and functional organization.
- f. Commissioner Benally receives and honorable mention for her work in MMIW (Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women) issues.
- g. Commissioner terms will be ending this year: Commissioner Chair Riley will not be continuing after October; Commissioner Lee will not be returning as well; Commissioner Tapaha is interested in continuing; and Commissioner Gleason was not present to respond. Other commissioners are welcomed to state their intentions. Commissioner Lee suggested a zoom session and invite others to see if they are interested in serving on the commission.

5. Commission Administrative Matters

- a. *CABQ Native American Affairs Liaison, Terry Sloan, CABQ Intergovernmental Tribal Liaison and Dawn Begay, Native American Affairs Coordinator* report updates.

Dawn Begay reports:

- Reports on the city budget and support and recognizing the need for the Office of Equity and Inclusion. It was funded through a Kellogg grant with the intent that positions would be transitioned into permanent city positions. Next consideration is tribal liaison position which will continue to be contracted position until it phases into a full-time permanent position. The commission will be able to submit issue papers for recommendations of positions to be full-time, permanent positions in November/December. In May city council will review. The goal is to create operational sustainability. The Kellogg grant funded many components in events and sponsored activities.
- Gateway Center has been contracting for outside services. UNM students developed a GAP analysis and still looking for city partnership. The Center is considering culturally based and appropriate services for the Indigenous population, as well as, introducing cultural care education for the city or service providers.
- City accountability and follow-up of commitments with MMIW multi-media campaign, a tribal summit, MMIW space at the Gateway Center. An action plan will determine who is responsible for contact and oversight.
- Living city grant (\$75,000) to assist in a springboard to housing development program for people of color. It is hoped that a housing justice summit will occur in the fall or a housing needs assessment. The Housing Justice Taskforce will start soon.

b. Commission Sector Reports and Updates

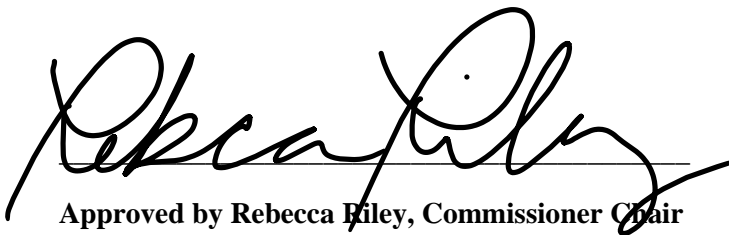
- i. **Government** – VACANT
- ii. **Education** – Commissioner Lee
No update
- iii. **Culture** – Commissioner Jim
No update
- iv. **Health** – Commissioner Riley
No update
- v. **Workforce/Employment** – Raven Begay
No Update
- vi. **Environment**— Commissioner Naranjo
No updates.

6. **Adjournment**

Adjournment at approximately 5:50 p.m.

*Action Items

Next CAIANA Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 @ 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM


Approved by Rebecca Riley, Commissioner Chair

5/19/22