



**NEW MEXICO EARLY LEARNING ADVISORY COUNCIL  
(ELAC)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**January 3, 2017**

**UNM Continuing Education-Room 123 / 1634 University Blvd. NE – Albuquerque NM**

Meeting was Call Order by Erica Stubbs, ELAC Chair, at 1:05 pm. She welcomed the participants and thanked UNM CE for the use of the space. A reminder given to sign in, and public comment worksheet was in hallway to sign up.

Roll was called for the meeting. Present: Shannon Rivera, Andy Gomm, Elizabeth Beers, Erica Stubbs, Heather Vaughn, Barbara Tedrow, Janis Gonzales, Michael Weinberg, and Rebecca Dow, Alejandra Rebolledo Rea (Zoom).

Excused: Franz, Larry, Ray and Christopher

Quorum established at 1:10 pm by Erica Stubbs.  
Community introductions.

There aren't minutes from the last meeting due to this first Council meeting being a planning meeting.

Motion to defer minutes' approval from December 8, 2016.

Barbara Tedrow; Janice Second. No discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Thanks to UNM for providing space.

**Annual Report**

**Erica Stubbs**

- Annual report to be finalized
- Once finalized the full report will be on the web site.
- Implemented the Executive Summary
- Recommendations to agencies, government bodies, etc are imbedded into the Strategic Plan.

Rebecca moves to accept Strategic Plan. Beth seconds. Motion carries.

**Legislation Update**

**Barbara Tedrow**

- Bills that relate to Early Childhood and Businesses Legislation EC Bills House Bill 27 to increase minimum wage from 7.50 to 15.00 hr. Cost of living increase .05 per year in affect Jan 2018. Senate Bill 36 min 7.50 to 8.45/hr.

- House Bill 48 – Rep Barnes create a small business tax deduction on for small businesses with 1 or more employees qualified income in increments of 50K cannot exceed an income of \$250K.
- Senate Bill 11 – Sen. Ortiz y Pino health and human services committee. To change for the basis for reimbursement of preventive and early intervention services for children.
  - **Andy** – Senate Bill 11 - very confusing - Anyone in audience have knowledge of Bill 11?
  - **Rebecca** will get clarification on the Bill and then the council can possibly make recommendations.
  - **Kim Strauss** served on task force in 2016 very few people in the state who can make a serious emotional disturbance diagnosis in rural communities for behavioral mental health for early childhood development. Trying to get services without the diagnosis.
- Senate Bill 20 – Sen Michael Padilla providing for children who are placed in out of home care shall be permitted to participate in age-appropriate activities amending the Abuse and Neglect Act.
- House joint resolution 1 and Senate Joint Resolution 3: Land grants trying to tweak so they will pass. Running funding through PED. Fiscal Year 20 &21. Maestas trying to get these passed.
- Alejandra has template for working on legislative bills to share with council and perhaps a sub-committee can be developed to work on bills.
  - **Erica** – Legislature is looking at term limits for ELAC.
  - **Rebecca** – Do we want to look at the Land Grant Bill?
  - **Erica** - At this point it is a fact-finding mission.
- Erica – ELAC is being recommended to be reauthorized with changes.

### **ELAC Council**

Meeting adjourns at 1:39 p.m.