

Sustainable Economy Task Force

November 15, 2023

Minutes

Present:

- Shani Harvey, Chair, Economic Development
- James Povijua, Vice Chair
- Raquel Gomez, Department of Workforce Solutions
- Michael Chacon, Indian Affairs
- Charlie Wollman, State Investment Council
- Anna Linden Weller, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources
- Sydney Lienemann, Environment Department
- Breezy Gutierrez, Public Education

Motion to Approve Agenda

Moved: James Povijua

Second: Charles Wollman

Approved unanimously

Motion to Approve Minutes from October 18 Meeting

Moved: Michael Chacon

Seconded: James

Approved unanimously

Updates from Sustainable Economy Advisory Council, James Povijua, Chair

- New hires from NMEDD: Kayla Lucero Matteuci, Just Transition Advisor and Center for Civic Policy/Michael Leon Guerrero, Economic Transition Consultant
- SEAC met in Kirtland in October
 - Heard from community-based and community/tribal college projects that applied for Economic Transition Act funds that did not get awarded funding.
 - One of the SEAC members has proposed drafting letter from SEAC to SET Force to support projects that were reported on. Drafter has asked for more time to draft letter.
- SEAC meeting November 14
 - Rob Black, Director of NM Chamber presented on proposed legislation for pilot or dedicated fund for education and training programs not supported by the Opportunity Scholarship Fund. It would also seek to provide wraparound supports for students participating in training programs related to clean energy and other industries.
 - NMEDD staff is proposing a joint SEAC/SET Force meeting to discuss the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by NM Environment Department and Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources. The 2 agencies will provide an overview of the grant program and we can workshop input from other agencies and stakeholders. The meeting will be December 13 from 9:30 -11:30am (Please note this is a two-hour scheduled meeting).

Public Comment

Raquel Gomez, DWS update - DWS working to send a press release re:Economic Transition Act phase 2. The release is scheduled for next Monday.

Announcements

Staff is working on setting up a listserv for SET Force for internal communications. Kayla will also begin a review of the Strategic Plan and begin planning for the next phase of updating it.

Motion to Adjourn

Moved: James

Seconded: Michael Chacon