

**STATE OF NEVADA
KEEP NEVADA WORKING TASK FORCE MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022**

VOTING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Lieutenant Governor Lisa Cano Burkhead

Chris Aguiar

Alissa Cooley

Margarita Salas Crespo

Bethany Khan (over phone)

Jennie Kim

Alletha Muzorewa

Vince Saavedra

Michael Flores

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT

None

NONVOTING PARTICIPANTS PRESENT

Charina de Asis, Director, Nevada Office of New Americans

Michael Cullen, Chief of Staff, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

I. Call to Order/Roll Call to Determine Presence of a Quorum Opening

Lieutenant Governor Lisa Cano Burkhead called meeting to order. Michael Cullen called roll and quorum was established.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. For Possible Action: Election of a Chair and Vice Chair

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead opens discussion for Chair.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARGARITA SALAS CRESPO TO NOMINATE
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR CANO BURKHEAD AS CHAIR, WITH ALLETHA
MUZOREWA SECONDING. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead opens discussion for Vice Chair, Ms. Salas Crespo suggests introductions and task force members all introduce themselves.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VINCE SAAVEDRA TO NOMINATE MS. SALAS CRESPO AS VICE CHAIR, WITH MS. MUZOREWA SECONDING. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. For Discussion Only: Overview of duties of KNWTF + presentation by Office for New Americans

Mr. Cullen provides overview of AB376, which created the KNWTF and background.

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead motions to move to Agenda Item V.

V. For Possible Action: Election of Task Force Members to serve as area experts

Mr. Cullen presents the idea for area experts with three areas: Supporting New American workers; Educational and workforce development; Small business.

The task force members suggest each other for areas, and volunteer on their own for areas. Discussed included:

Ms. Muzorewa for Educational and Workforce Development; Jennie Kim for Small Business while supporting Educational and Workforce Development; Mr. Flores for Educational and Workforce Development; Alissa Cooley for Supporting New American Workers; Ms. Salas Crespo for Supporting New American Workers; Bethany Khan for Educational and Workforce Development; Mr. Saavedra for Educational and Workforce Development; Chris Aguiar for Supporting New American Workers.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VINCE SAAVEDRA TO ACCEPT ALL THE ASSIGNMENTS, WITH MS. COOLEY SECONDING. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

KNWTF returns to Agenda Item IV.

IV. For Discussion Only: Overview of duties of KNWTF + presentation by Office for New Americans

Charina de Asis provides overview of the Nevada Office of New Americans.

After the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act is brought up, Ms. Muzorewa provides clarification on how it impacts the KNWTF

Ms. Kim brings up teachers from the Philippines at CSN and how they are in Nevada on a three-year visa and identifies it as an opportunity. Ms. de Asis discusses J1 visas further. Discussion continues on J1 visas in Nevada.

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead dismisses Ms. de Asis and thanks her for her work.

Mr. Cullen confirms that a report on the KNWTF's findings are due to the legislature "on or before July 1."

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead summarizes — area experts assigned and prepared for next meetings to report findings in community.

Ms. Khan suggests that meetings be held more often, including before the next scheduled meeting next quarter. Deputy Attorney General Harry Ward suggests against subcommittee meetings to avoid needing to post meetings in order to comply with Open Meeting Law and says members of the KNWTF should not meet outside scheduled meetings in an official capacity. Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead suggests more official meetings would be useful, with Ms. Salas Crespo agreeing. Mr. Cullen says he will reach out to task force members to schedule two more meetings before July 1. Ms. Muzorewa suggests making meetings virtual. Mr. Ward suggests make meetings hybrid between in-person and virtual.

VI. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VII. For Possible Action: Adjournment

A MOTION IS MADE BY MS. SALAS CRESPO TO ADJOURN, WITH MR. SAAVEDRA SECONDING. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Lieutenant Governor Cano Burkhead adjourns the meeting of the March 15, 2022, Keep Nevada Working Task Force.