



OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

WOMEN'S POLICY & RESEARCH COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2025

Members in Attendance:

Sonia Mallett, Elise Cazes, Laura Rodrigue, Rep. Jessica Domangue, Wanjennia Atkins, Krystal Romero, Christy Stiles, Melissa Horton, Tangela Womack, Neketa Deloach (on behalf of Ileana Ledet), Ashley Townsend, and Jolie Williamson

Guests in Attendance:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Laurie N. Marien

Call to Order:

Wanjennia Atkins called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

Regular Business

Andree Miller provided a primer on policy and started a discussion on issues that the commission should target as they relate to women.

Subcommittee Selection and Appointments

Those in attendance discussed previous subcommittees and decided on the maintaining the following and discussed subtopics that may be addressed:

1. Education (Chair Ashley Townsend)

- a. GATOR
 - b. Quality education
 - c. Workforce education
- 2. Economic Opportunities
 - a. Homeless Women
- 3. Violence Affecting Women (Chair Laura Rodrigue)
 - a. Women with murdered children
 - b. Domestic abuse
- 4. Health (Chair Tangela Womack)
 - a. Mothers and children with disabilities
 - b. Substance Abuse
 - c. Maternal mortality
 - d. MAHA
 - e. Behavioral health
 - f. Childhood/intergenerational trauma
 - g. Pregnant women

Work Plan for Annual Report

Talked about format and submissions by subcommittees.

2025 Speaker Ideas

We will target speakers to address issues within each subcommittee. Next meeting will be an open meetings primer with Jeffrey Wales.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.