

# iSOS July 1, 2024 Meeting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No meeting next week
- Cliff Rees next week
- Post meeting Election Committee meeting may be at Ricann's
- Valarie's multi-media presentation
  - Multi-media presentation called Consent Agena. Awareness and prevention of sexual assault. Raising \$ Coalition for this. Buy your tickets now, theatre is small. Getting more sponsors, Indivisible ABQ, Santa Fe NOW are sponsors. This to help pass more legislation in 2025. Last year's HB 151 but only for college level.
- Talked about a showing of an Oct 7 documentary created by Sharyn Sandberg, disrupted by protesters. Protesters made flyers that said all this was untrue.
- Monica spoke about going to a weekly protest while she was in Israel. The people are furious that the govt. not doing enough to release the hostages. This is an existential threat to Israel and what his awful govt is doing in Gaza. What can we do? We should try to prevent Congress from coming to talk.
- Monica - what is the Israeli's plan or what is on their minds? Monica says there is a great deal of rage. But they are stuck like we are stuck. All that is needed for the coalition govt to fall is to leave. And they won't leave because their seats and power are too important to them.
  - Supreme Court changed that the ultra-right should serve. The divide is like in this country, and it is also like the Iranization of the country. The religious national parties dominate.
- Protesters want a new election.
- Roberta received a piece from Peter Barnhart comparing the lack of courage to get Biden to step down. Roberta thinks Biden should step down.
- Sherry thinks Biden has Parkinson's.
- Alyssa thinks Biden is not the guy to slay the Dragan. Ezra Klein in Feb said it's not too late. If you believe he is likely to lose, short of something dramatic, it should not be that close. She thinks he has to step down. Working Families Party has been trying to convince him. She is moving to AZ to help in this state.
- Pam - doesn't think we have the time to change. She believes we are okay. She thinks he had a bad night. We need to double down.
- Jana - she agrees with Pam. She thinks it's magical thinking that they are suddenly going to poll better. It's the ideological divide that is the problem.
- Jan - angry that we don't know his condition. Not likely to get a well-known candidate.
- Dottie - she was on the Biden train until the debate. Put her over the edge. Bad night? Frightening!
- Lynn Larsen. - it's not the truth, it's the perception. R's will use it. You have to take the keys away,
- Deb W - mixed we forget that we have a VP. If something happens, she can run the govt. The Biden family is supporting him to keep going.

Linda Serratto

July 18 meeting: - criminal penalties and making the state safer. Working Cervantes and Chandler.  
Linda has questions about the legislation being proposed. Won't pursue criminal detainment for folks.

- Homeless legislation? We don't have the treatment mechanisms. She won't get into too much detail, but there is concern from all sides. She hopes to move forward in the general.
- Primary night - paid family med leave, she thinks we can get a solution. Many actors with good intent. There are incentives for not working with us. With changes in Legis, it might move forward. Many workplaces can't enable workers to do this. But a fund would help.
- What are we discussing? Questions
- Modernization - an exciting time for this. Cliff Rees, she was talking to him on this.
- Every legislator will have one staff assigned to them as of next summer.
- First wave of staff should come to incumbents. By September, newer ones won't get staff until after the 2025 session. As a legislator, the number thing is staff. But being paid is very important.
- Paying legislation- average is \$50K. Are people still allowed to work?
- Length - is the hardest one.
- Changing the length of the session - Janna doesn't understand. 60 60 is logical. What is the rationale? The NM constitution indicates that people running for office have to set up a race on Tuesday after the session. People are balking about changing the Constitution.
- Hydrogen - yes happening. If we have govt incentives we can do a lot. Complicated one.
- We do change the constitution - there is this thing we are always moving in the right direction. Bills die because they are bad, says Figueroa
- In Congress you can roll over That makes sense. People who are opposed? What is the incentive have bit a whole lifestyle on this.
- Energy - we don't seem to be thinking enough of solar. We have the largest wind farm than China. Transmission - battery storage. It's a massive gaping hole. We can go around solar to CA. There is a feeling our solar and wind projects aren't big enough.
- Liza - what are your thoughts on a constitutional amendment for abortion? We need more access to the south. When It comes to true access to abortion, that's when you get to a fistfight. (Weeks,e tc.) After seeing primary results, in other states, I think codifying it would have that impetus, 2023 we had a few conversations. So it's still on hold.
- Alissa - housing we've lost Nancy R and Brenda Mc for Housing. Andrea and Podderhone. Linda T. Will be a good one. Good experience in Tax. What we lost with Nancy were her subtle changes to legislation.
- Pam - Wyoming has built a huge solar grid and will sell to CA.
- Janna - special session. Feels unserious. Do you hold out hope? Yes for the 60 day. Session.