



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes

Los Alamos County DWI Planning Council

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Juanita McNeil, Chair; Lauren Smith, Vice-Chair; Eli Argo; Sylvia Diehl; Adrianna Delvo;
Jaime Gonzales; Judy Lovejoy; Rachel Mohr-Richards; Jemuel Montoya; and Jordan
Redmond, Members*

Thursday, January 8, 2026

8:30 AM

Justice Center, Hearing Room

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The January 8th meeting of the Los Alamos County DWI Planning Council was called to order at 8:33 AM.

A brief announcement about Sara Martinez leaving her position and being replaced by Lauren Tomko was made.

Present: Lauren Smith, Judy Lovejoy, Sylvia Diehl, Eli Argo, and Adrianna Delvo.

Absent: Jaime Gonzales, Rachel Mohr-Richards, Jemuel Montoya, and Jordan Remond.

Also present: Monica Schwiner, Sara Martinez, and Lauren Tomko.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No call for public Comment

III. BUSINESS

- A [21032-26](#) Approval of Minutes from the DWI Planning Council Meeting on December 11, 2025.

Attachments: [A - DWI Planning Council Draft Minutes for December 11, 2025](#)

A motion was made by Chair Juanita McNiel and seconded by Councilor Sylvia Diehl to approve the minutes with two spelling corrections.

The motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Council members Lauren Smith and Adrianna Delvo abstained.

IV. BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

A [21035-26](#)

DWI Prevention Efforts- Sylvia Diehl, Rachel Mohr-Richards, Eli Argo, & Lauren Tomko

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Councilor Sylvia Diehl announced that the school received the Tobacco Grant and are now moving into the phase of figuring out how to transfer and pay students. The tobacco grant allows LAPS to pay students to work four hours per week creating social media content and doing classroom outreach to prevent tobacco use. She is working on first steps hoping to start in February and continue through April.

The Pray for Change SLAT teacher training is nearing its end, there has been a lot of growth and excitement from those involved.

Still trying to get the Arrive Alive car to attend.

Having a pre-prom event meeting to schedule an event aimed at reducing drinking and driving and dating violence during prom.

Chair Juanita asked if she had any kids lined up for the grant. Sylvia said you can send any high schooler who is interested her way. The goal is to pull from a diverse group of students. The grant council is debating on whether they are going to accept students who currently use tobacco or if no tobacco use will be a requirement. Councilor Judy suggested approaching the art classes for students.

Councilor Eli spoke to a group about building a program to foster resiliency in teens, the program will be very expensive, and the Teen Center might request funding from DWI council to help fund it. They are offering a pre-party for the Saturday movies that JJAB sponsors at SALA. This weekend they are showing Monty Python and the Holy Grail. The pre-party will be held at the teen center then move to SALA where they will have themed activities such as a "Clip Clop Competition". The Teen Center is working with the school for Spring Fling dance preparations. Teen center is anticipating their role will be to bring food, snacks and games and facilitate a quiet place for teens to go and have less stimulus. The Teen Center is also working with SALA for the Spring Fling midnight movie and is expecting 75 teens. A film has not been chosen yet.

The Teen Center has been going to the high school during lunch, handing out snacks and promoting the teen center. They are also asking them to fill out a survey and have gotten really good feedback.

Staff Liaison Lauren Tomko talked about her future plans for the program such as helping to sponsor local businesses sober events and hosting

summer trivia at the golf course. The counsel talked about the ability to use the golf course event space since the restaurant is in transition. It was also suggested that Fuller Lodge could be a good venue as well.

A pre-summer concert event was also suggested. A sober option for those who don't want to drink or spend time at a bar. If this idea is successful, the DWI could possibly have a Thursday night sober event as well. Fuller lodge would need to be reserved sooner rather than later because it does book up in the summer.

Chair Juanita said they are working with the schools to bring the "Arrive Alive Tour" back. DFA originally said no, but Councilor Sylvia and her co-worker sent in letters of support showing its positive impact on the students. DFA is reconsidering approving the funding. The participants would have to fill out three surveys, before, immediately after, and then two months after the event.

Councilor Lauren Smith mentioned that LANL has been asked to prioritize traffic safety with a focus on pedestrian awareness. She was going to find out who the point of contact is on the initiative and send the information in an email.

Chair Juanita went on to talk about hosting another sober event. The mocktails were very popular at the last event. She also expressed support for the trivia idea. Councilor Judy Lovejoy offered trivia topics such as board games, DND, and science. She also offered to help develop and facilitate the event.

B [21036-26](#)

DWI Treatment - Jordan Redmond and Adrianna Delvo

Counselor Adrianna said they have 16 active clients at RAC STOP in IOP. This number is lower than normal, and she believes its due to additional treatment centers opening. RAC STOP is fully staffed but are still looking to hire an assistant for groups in the evenings. They have added a seeking safety curriculum, and all their staff have been trained on it. Currently there are no referrals from Los Alamos, so it has been quiet. Aftercare has changed to monthly sessions with their assigned therapist instead of evening group meetings. The length of aftercare can be up to 6 months and is assessed on an individual basis.

- C [21037-26](#) DWI Law Enforcement and Compliance Numbers - Jaime Gonzales, Jemuel Montoya & Monica Schwiner

Attachments: [A - DWI Compliance Numbers for December](#)

Compliance Officer Monica gave the following update:

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Monica Schwiner-Compliance Officer

December Pre-Trial Municipal Open Cases: 0

December Probation Municipal Open Cases: 0

December-Trial Magistrate Open Cases: 0

December Probation Magistrate Open Cases: 0

Active DWI Probation Magistrate Open Cases: 11

Active DWI Pre-Trial Magistrate Open Cases: 0

Active DWI Probation Municipal Open Cases: 8

Active DWI Pre-Trial Municipal Open Cases: 7

Probation Magistrate DWI Active Warrants: 0

Pre-Trial Magistrate DWI Active Warrants: 0

Probation Municipal DWI Active Warrants: 1

Pre-Trial Municipal DWI Active Warrants: 2

- D [21038-26](#) Los Alamos National Labs Update - Lauren Smith

Councilor Lauren Smith gave an end of year update: there were a total of 55 DWI, 18 sent to treatment for alcohol, two domestics involving alcohol, two battery involving alcohol, twelve positive tests in the work place for alcohol, two positives for drugs, and 17 'other' cases. There was a total of 112 cases during 2025. The majority of offenders are male and DWI's continue to make up most cases. The number of cases decreased slightly from 2024 (114). In 2026 there have been three DWI cases reported, one person went into treatment, and one case of battery involving alcohol. Councilor Adrianna mentioned seeing similar gender trends in treatment. She also noted that since most of the current referrals were from LANL, the evening groups would devolve into complaining about their common employer rather than taking responsibility for their actions, further prompting a change in treatment. Councilor Adrianna did note that as people progressed in the treatment process the blame would shift from their employer to themselves.

E [21039-26](#) Chairman's Report

Chair Juanita had little to report and said she was focused on training Lauren in her new role and that Staff Liaison Sara has been helping with the transition.

F [21040-26](#) Staff Report - Lauren Tomko

Attachments: [A - FY26 Distribution at a Glance](#)

Staff Liaison Sara said there were corrections that need to be made to the budget because the initial numbers were not correct in the DWI application. She said Chair Juanita and Lauren would be working on the DWI grant application and the quarter two report.

G [21041-26](#) Board Roundtable

Chair Juanita brought up possibly changing the time of the board meeting to accommodate people's schedules. The idea of changing to February 5th instead of the 12th is proposed. Lauren will find out which date most can attend and send out an invite.

VI. PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held either February 5th or 12th 2026 starting at 8:30 AM. In-person at the Justice Center Hearing Room and via Zoom.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 AM.