

Meeting Minutes District 4 Coalition November 17th, 2025

In attendance: Albuquerque Meadows, Arroyo Del Oso, Bear Canyon, Cherry Hills, North Domingo Baca, North Valley Neighborhood Association, Quail Springs, Vista Del Norte, Quintessence

Friends of D4C: Irene Minke

Guests:

Guest Speakers: Tom Gallagher

Meeting called to order by Lorna Howerton 6:35pm

Introduction of the Co-presidents of the coalition. board members, members at large.

Approval of Minutes from October 17th, 2025: Motion to approve Robert Stetson and second by Goldialu Stone. Motion passed unanimously

Approval of Consent agenda for November 17th, 2025 Motion to approve made by Judie Pelligrino and seconded by Goldialu Stone. Motion passed unanimously.

Guest Speaker

Tom Gallagher has been with the center for 11 years. Everyone on staff is CPR, Defibrillator trained, and blood born pathogens trained. Tom is in at 6am answering emails and phone calls then attends breakfast at 8am. 60+ cameras that can be viewed from the center or from Tom's house with phone and computer. 5 defibs around the center. Fitness center, kitchen, admin office, gym, and Tom's mobile. Amber (center manager) is responsible for maintaining the machines, the certifications, and making sure they are current and nothing is expired. 2 times a year they go through certifications.

Tom's background is retired OSI with the air force and office lead investigator for Walmart Organization. Steinmart loss prevention manager for the Southwest.

The rooms are going to be painted. Wish money for the center are patio and amphitheater, sails and shade structures out there so they can be used during the Summer.

In the event of an emergency, Tom will clear the area, he calls 9-1-1 and puts it on speaker. Amber will go to the front and wait for the ambulance or emergency personnel.

If there is a member that comes everyday and they have not been seen for a few days, Tom will get their number and just call to make sure they are okay.

Q&A: if a member finds a person down. What do we do?

Go to the railing and yell down to the front desk or go to the fitness center and tell them there.

Q&A: Incident Reports or Accident Reports? Do they need to be made or how does that process work?

24 hour turn around. If there is an accident with blood or injury there must be a report made.

Q&A: What are the stats for breakfast?

110-115 people in a one hour span for breakfast. After Coffee Gate- Last coffee is made at 9am.

Q&A in the event of an emergency what is the center equipped for?

NDBMC is the hub for Balloon Fiesta, in the event of an emergency this is a center for evacuation. They are also training to be the evacuation center for La Cueva High School.

Q&A What is the evacuation plan for the center?

Each room has an evacuation plan that is located in each room and how to get out. Everyone is assigned to a different area of the center and has a role in the event of evacuation.

Neighborhood Roundtable

Cherry Hills - Nothing to report.

Arroyo Del Oso- pre-Halloween event - really well attended. Home was broken into that was on the market, but the owner was able to call police and get them out.

Quintessence- Well attended fall event. With all the rain their Ezee Fiber hubs sank, they called Ezee Fiber and it was fixed in 24 hours.

Bear Canyon- Trunk or treat in partnership with Weems, Dinosaur alley is really picking up traffic and it is getting busy.

Albuquerque Meadows- Water is turned off to the entire community. They are trying to figure out where the water is coming from and what needs to be done but nothing is actually being addressed. They are working to get to issues with management and ownership addressed.

Quail Springs - Just had our annual meeting and are ready for 2026.

North Albuquerque - Traffic is running through the neighborhood on Mckiney from people trying to get from Academy to Wyoming.

Alameda North Valley Neighborhood Associations - Lawsuits are continuing. United Soccer says they won, but they have not. There is still litigation. Edith closed for utility line for the last month.

North Domingo Baca- Sign is going to be beautiful. Match the one on Wyoming, that says "Welcome to La Cueva" that was put up by Brad Winters. Working with Vanessa Baca at ONC on finalization and when it will be installed.

Councilor Report

How the year went - Pres of the Council and she ran a good meeting. There is a chance that she will not be President of the Council because there are others that are interested in taking that role.

Aquatic Center will run out of money in April for the pool but there will be a hole in the ground. That was not initially planned with the contract but there will be a hole. Update for the contract that was supposed to be this month and the meeting is cancelled.

Councilor Bassan is looking into a Quality of Life grant. She is continuing to look into it, because it sounds like it is too good to be true. It has the potential to be a loan with very low interest rates, and this is just another stone that Councilor Bassan is trying to turn over.

GO VOTE!!

With the election, no matter who wins for Mayor and who wins the two district seats in the run-off, it is going to be a very drastic year next year, in her opinion.

Q&A Robert Stetson asked about what is going on with the Pan American Inn and is it going to be section 8 or low income housing?

I will reach out to director Barela, I have not heard anything about the city doing that with that property. This administration is really focused on mixed use properties so it is not just section 8 or luxury.

Q&A The accountability and oversight committee? 6 reports to review, 2 were supposed to be released in September (missed deadline?) 2 were supposed to be released in October (missed deadline?). Why is this process taking so long and none of these reports are going to be released before the elections.

No meeting in September so there were not supposed to be released reports. The next meeting two reports were presented by the IG, 1 passed and 1 failed. After that meeting the committee has 15 days to come up with a statement as to why they failed it. That has just happened this week, and then that gets published. The IG is working on the next 4.

Officer's Report

Co-Presidents -Several of us were at the ONC get together in October. They are starting a new program called notable neighbors, not sure on the criteria. President of your neighborhood gets an email and we can send in our neighbors for their accomplishments.

Vice President -Kathy Economy - Not in attendance

Treasurer -Judie Pellegrino - \$20 donation from Steve Wentworth and QSNA paid their donation for 2026. Our first renewal for 2026 from Quail Springs Neighborhood associations.

Secretary – Aubrey Gladwell - 309 pounds of food were picked up and donated to Road Runner Food bank in the last month. The giving tree that is downstairs at the center- accepting donations of new socks, gloves and hats.

Committee Reports

Hospitality -Nothing to report

Planning and Zoning- Not much going on. Application for a site plan 8900 Modesto. An application for significant renovations to a residence. Is Lucy still a contact for D4C?

New Business

We are going to address the Resolution we are going to write for Albuquerque Meadows and letter for the aquatic center showing support in January.

Meeting adjourned by Lorna Howerton seconded by Robert Stetson @ 8:13 pm
Next Meeting will be January 21st, 2026 @ 6:30pm

