

AGENDA

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING June 28, 2023

9:00 AM (Twin Arrows/Arizona Time)
10:00 AM (Window Rock / NN Time)

PRESIDING : Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson
Honorable Germaine Simonson, Vice Chairperson

PLACE : Twin Arrows Dine' Conference Center / (In-Person)
Via Telecommunications:
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Twin Arrows, NN (AZ)

<input type="checkbox"/> Helena Nez Begay	<input type="checkbox"/> Germaine Simonson
<input type="checkbox"/> Vince R. James	<input type="checkbox"/> George Tolth
<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Andy Nez	<input type="checkbox"/> Curtis Yanito

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS

3. REVIEW AND ADOPT AGENDA

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4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):

- June 5, 2023 Special Meeting
- June 6, 2023 Special Meeting
- June 7, 2023 Special Meeting
- June 14, 2023 Regular Meeting
- June 21, 2023 Regular meeting

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5. RECEIVING REPORT:

A. Report:
Navajo Nation Board of Education

<u>Overview:</u>	<u>3 CHALLENGES of Each:</u>	<u>OBJECTIVES:</u>
Program Summary	Navajo Nation	Goals
Program Staffing; Vacancies	Federal	Accomplishments
Personnel	Arizona	
Program Challenges	New Mexico	
Solutions	Utah	
Timeline of Solutions		

Issues:

- Overview of NNBOE Presentation
- NNBOE Plan of Operation
- Strategy and timeline of securing a hire for the NN Superintendent of Schools
 - Recruitment
- Status of implementing Dine' language criteria in curriculum requirements.
 - Navajo Nation
 - BIE / Tribally Controlled Schools
 - State
 - Tracking Navajo students enrolled in Dine' language and cultural courses
- Plans to establish NN as a State Educational Agency
- Status of updated DoDE and programs' plans of operation
- DoDE – Education building renovation to code plans
 - Accessing NN FRF (ARPA) Funds for renovation / repairs
- Encouraging the coordination of work efforts with programs internally and externally, i.e. Office of Background Investigations (OBI); DBOSBA, etc.
- Strategic plans with DHR to establish a Human Resource Dept. within DoDE
- Initiate, coordinate or renew data sharing agreements with BIE, Arizona, New Mexico and Utah
- Strategy for data collection of school size, funding, employees, community service population; student population, student race, dropout rate, student career and college/university preparation, address to eliminate higher education requirements for remedial courses; graduation rates, etc.
 - Funding for hardware from NN FRF (ARPA) Funds for Information Technology
- Policy consideration for homeschool curriculum coordinating with higher education courses.
 - Dual enrollment for homeschool high school and higher education institutions – colleges, universities, etc.

Presenter(s): *Navajo Nation Board of Education*
Appointed: Terms ending January 25, 2025

Dr. Pauletta White, President,
Andrea K. Thomas, Vice-President,
Dr. Henry Fowler,
Joan A. Gray,
Emerson John,
Spencer W. Willie,

Administrator Representative
Teacher Representative
Traditional Navajo Culture
Parent Representative
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Parent Representative

Elected: Terms ending January 2027

Mary E. Begay,
Nadine M. Chatto,
Dellard Curely, Secretary
Freda Nells,
Sharon Todacheenie,

Chinle Agency
Eastern Agency
Western Agency
Northern Agency
Fort Defiance Agency

Invited: Claudia Edgewater, Interim Superintendent, Department of Dine Education
Derrick Franklin, Senior Program Planner; Interim Prog. Manager-ODAC/DoDE
Roy Tracy, Statistician/Demographer Ofc. of Educational Research & Statistics
Assistant Superintendent of Head Start (Delegated)
Verna Thomas, Senior Education Specialist, Program Manager; Office of
Standards, Curriculum and Assessment Development (OSCAD)
Dr. Sheila Yellowhair, Education Program Manager; COGNIA NN / DoDE

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6. **OLD BUSINESS:** *None*

7. **NEW BUSINESS:** *None*

8. **CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT
NEXT MEETING(S) / TRAVEL:**

Regular Meeting:	July 12, 2023
Navajo Nation Council Summer Session:	July 17 – 21, 2023
Regular Meeting:	July 26, 2023

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