

# AGENDA

## HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

### REGULAR MEETING February 26, 2024 10:00 AM

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

**PLACE** : Budget and Finance Conference Room  
Window Rock, NN (AZ) / (In-Person)  
Via Telecommunications:  
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- 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):** *None*
- 5. RECEIVING REPORT:**

#### **A. Report Update:**

##### **❖ Division of General Services**

##### **❖ Facilities Maintenance Department:**

- Update on the building repair and maintenance of the Department of Diné Education
  - DoDE Building Closure
  - Heating and Cooling Repair
  - Projected Date of Final Repairs

**Presenter(s):** Shawnavan Dale, Division Director, Division of General Services  
Marcus C. Tulley, Department Manager III; DGS  
Adrian Luarkie, Building Maintenance Supervisor; DGS

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**B. Update:**

❖ **Navajo Department of Justice**

➤ **Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations Update**

- United Mine Workers of America
- Status of the Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) negotiations

**Presenter(s):** Louis Mallette, Senior Attorney, Litigation Unit, NDOJ  
Paul Spruhan, Assistant Attorney General, Litigation Unit, NDOJ  
Tamara Sakijha, Attorney, Litigation Unit, NDOJ  
Colleen Silversmith, Attorney, NN Negotiations Team, NDOJ

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**C. Report Update:**

**Update –**

❖ **Department of Diné Education**

Navajo Head Start Vacancies

❖ **Division of Human Resources**

Human Resources – Administration

Vacancies – Navajo Head Start

Qualification Requirements for positions

HR Classification and Pay

Recruitment at locations in addition to the Navajo Personnel website vacancy listing

Options within the personnel policies to fill vacancies.

**Presenter:** Roy Tracy, Program Manager, Office of Education Research and Statistics, Assistant Superintendent (Delegated), Navajo Head Start

Debbie Nez-Manuel, Division Director, Division of Human Resources Administration

Nathaniel Brown, Deputy Division Director; Division of Human Resources Administration

Charlotte Bighthumb, Human Resources Director – Administration

Reycita Toddy, HR Classification and Pay Manager

Faryn Garcia, HR Recruitment Manager

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**D. Update –**

**Department of Diné Education**

- Written Draft Report of the overall School Board Appropriation Public Hearing Statements, and Written Comments received.

- Public Comments Received via mail, e-mail or fax.
- Status update on the compilation of the public comments received.
- Target date for a final report to HEHSC.

**Presenters:** Dr. Shayla Yellowhair, Ed. Program Manager; Cognia Navajo Nation: NCA Accreditation, Certification and Assessment  
 Matthew Tso, Legislative Analyst; DoDE Administration  
 Roy Tracy, Program Manager, Office of Education Research and Statistics, Assistant Superintendent (Delegated), Navajo Head Start  
 Suzette Haskie, Program Manager; Johnson O’Malley Program

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

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. HEHSC Support Letter:**

- ❖ To the Arizona State Legislature and the Arizona Governor on behalf of the Red Mesa Unified School District to address the State Public School’s over \$7.5 million cash deficit.

**Requested by:** Delegate Curtis Yanito, HEHSC Member,  
 Mexican Water/ To’likan, Teenospos/ Aneth/ Red Mesa  
 HEHSC Membership  
 Via Zoom: Carlyle Begay, Legislative Federal and State of Arizona Lobbyist  
 Via Zoom: Dr. Amy Fuller, Superintendent of Red Mesa Unified School District

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**B. Invitation to meet with Red Mesa Unified School District Board.**

- Operations of School on Navajo Nation
- State Lease Agreement
- Navajo Employment Preference
- Recommended Date(s)

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

- Monday, March 11, 2024                      10:00 am                      HEHSC Regular Meeting  
Budget and Finance Conference Room
- Wednesday, March 13, 2024                      9:00 am                      HEHSC Special Meeting  
Budget and Finance Conference Room
- Monday, March 18, 2024                      10:00 am                      HEHSC Regular Meeting  
Budget and Finance Conference Room
- Monday, March 25, 2024                      10:00 am                      HEHSC Regular Meeting  
Budget and Finance Conference Room
- Thursday, April 4, 2024                      1:00 pm                      HEHSC Work Session  
Budget and Finance Conference Room

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