

## **PROPOSED AGENDA**

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

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

**April 14, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

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

**PLACE:** Budget and Finance Conference Room (In-person)  
Via Telecommunications:

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Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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

#### **2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS**

#### **3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA**

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#### **4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):**

#### **5. REPORT(S):**

- A.** Update Report on the progress of updating/revising information to Legislation No. 0195-24: An Action Relating to the Law and Order Committee and the Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Approving Amendments to the Navajo Nation Child Support Guidelines and Child Support Schedule.

*On Wednesday, September 4, 2024, HEHSC Tabled the legislation for 90-days. The legislation was referred to the Navajo Department of Justice and the Department of Child Support Enforcement within the Navajo Division of Human Resources to re-assess the affordability and to update relevant information to the Child Support Guidelines and Child Support Schedule and thereafter, hold a work*

*session for the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and subsequently conduct public hearings at each Navajo Nation Agency within the timeframe.*

*On January 6, 2025, an update was provided. The public hearings were conducted. Reviewing the public hearing comments and evaluating the changes in the Child Support Guidelines were proceeding.*

**Presenters:** Reycita Toddy, Interim Director, Division of Human Resources  
Katherine Benally, Deputy Director, Division of Human Resources  
Judy Platero, Program Manager, DHR/Department of Child Support Services  
Brenda Anderson, Tribal Court Advocate, Navajo Department of Justice  
Chris Schneider, Principal Attorney, Navajo Department of Justice

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**B. Report:** Southwest Navajo Tobacco Education Prevention Project (SNTEPP)

➤ Annual Report

Presenters: Peter Nez, Program Specialist, SNTEPP  
Hershel Clark, Program Manager, SNTEPP

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**C. Report:** Navajo Head Start

- Priority Listing: Funding for the Head Start facilities.
- Head Start position titles

**Presenters:** Roy Tracy, Superintendent; Head Start DODE  
Dr. Florinda Jackson, Assistant Superintendent; Head Start – DODE  
Claudia Edgewater, Acting Superintendent; DODE

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**D. Report:** Department of Dine' Education

- Update on the status of Na'neelzhiin Ji Olta' / Torreon Day School.

**Presenters:** Claudia Edgewater, Acting Superintendent, Department of Dine' Education (DODE)  
Anderson Yazzie, Program Manager; Ofc. Of Dine Accountability and Compliance (ODAC); DODE  
Jamey Lowrey, Senior Education Specialist, Ofc. Of Dine Accountability and Compliance (ODAC); DODE

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**E. Report: Winslow Indian Health Care Center, Inc. (WIHCC)**

- FY24 Annual Report
- FY24 Financial Audit

**Presenters:** Virgil L. Davis, Chief Executive Officer – WIHCC, Inc.  
Peter Laluk, Chief Operating Officer – WIHCC, Inc.  
Robert Salabye, President – WIHCC, Inc. Board of Directors  
Karen Leuppe, Chief Finance Officer – WIHCC, Inc.  
Josh Trujillo, CPA; SJT Group, LLC (request to present via Zoom)

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**F. Report: Navajo Election Administration  
Navajo Board of Election Supervisors (NBOES)**

- Failed Required Background Checks for Elected School Board Members.

**Presenters:** Veronica Curley, Interim Executive Director, Navajo Election Administration  
Norman Begay, President, Chinle Agency; NBOES  
Dr. Victoria Yazzie, Vice-President, Western Agency; NBOES  
Lula Neztosie, Western Agency, NBOES  
Leta D. Honnie, Chinle Agency; NBOES  
Larry Noble, Ft. Defiance Agency; NBOES  
Stephanie Calabaza, Ft. Defiance Agency; NBOES  
Arlene Nakai-Brown, Eastern Agency; NBOES  
Charles Long, Eastern Agency; NBOES  
Darlene Pete, Northern Agency; NBOES  
Watona Kellywood, Northern Agency; NBOES

**Navajo Department of Justice:**

Chris Schneider, Principal Attorney; Navajo Department of Justice  
Brenda Anderson, Trial Court Advocate, Navajo Department of Justice

**Department of Dine' Education:**

Claudia Edgewater, Acting Superintendent, Department of Dine' Education  
Anderson Yazzie, Program Manager; Ofc. of Dine Accountability and Compliance  
(ODAC); DODE  
Jamey Lowrey, Senior Education Specialist, Ofc. of Dine Accountability and  
Compliance (ODAC); DODE

**Division of Human Resources:**

Reycita Toddy, Interim Division Director; Division of Human Resources

Katherine Benally, Deputy Director; Division of Human Resources  
Nikita Kirk, Program Manager, NN Office of Background Investigations; DHR

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**6. NEW BUSINESS:** *None*

**7. OLD BUSINESS:** *None*

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

- April 21-25, 2025                      Navajo Nation Council Spring Session
  
- April 28, 2025              10:00 am              HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room; Window Rock, NN (AZ).

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*THIS AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committees at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§163 and 183, Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7, and Standing Rule of Order No. 8.*