

AGENDA

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

REGULAR MEETING September 8, 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)

<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 THE AGENDA

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4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S): *None*

5. REPORT(S):

A. Presentation: Zhittya Genesis Medicine

➤ Introductory Presentation

Presenters: Daniel Montano, Chief Executive Officer; Zhittya Genesis Medicine
Dr. Jack Jacobs, President; Zhittya Genesis Medicine
Vika Montano, Executive Vice-President; Zhittya Genesis Medicine
Victor Dee, Tribal Relations; Zhittya Genesis Medicine

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B. Report: Navajo Nation Veterans Administration

➤ Follow-up on the move in completion of Veterans homes in Tohajiilee, NN (NM).

- Update on the funding, budget for the construction of Veteran homes.
- Update on the construction timeline of the completion of Veterans homes in each Navajo Nation Agencies.

Presenters: Bobbie Baldwin, Executive Director – NNVA
 Raylene Morris, Deputy Director - NNVA
 Alvira Teller, Housing Specialist Housing Officer; NNVA
 William Nez, Housing Program Manager

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C. 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.*
- *On April 28, 2025, an update was provided. The guidelines were being reviewed and revised.*

Presenters: Division of Human Resources

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

Department of Justice:

Christopher Schneider, Principal Attorney, Navajo Department of Justice
 Brenda Anderson, Tribal Court Advocate, Navajo Department of Justice

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D. Update: Navajo Head Start - Department of Diné Education

- Reported burglary at the Navajo Head Start Building on July 31, 2025.
- Follow-up investigation following the NN police report reporting the incident.
- Investigatory Leave enacted per NN Personnel Policies.

Presenters: Dr. Jackson, NHS Assistant Superintendent
 Dr. Rolanda Billy, Director of Educational Services
 Falencia Lewis, Delegated HR Manager

Department of Diné Education:

Claudia Edgewater, Superintendent, DODE

Dr. Shayla Yellowhair, Assistant Superintendent; DODE
Department of Justice:
Brenda Anderson, Principal Tribal Court Advocate, Navajo Department of Justice

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6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Legislation No. 0097-25:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee and Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Approving Navajo Division of Transportation Social Media Policy.

Sponsor: Delegate Brenda Jesus
Co-Sponsors: Delegate Shawna Ann Claw
Delegate Germaine Simonson

HEHSC Regular Meeting: July 14, 2025

Main Motion: Honorable Helena Nez Begay

Second Motion Honorable George Tolth

Vote: Pending

“Tabling the legislation for 30 days when the primary sponsor and agent(s) are present.”

Tabling Motion: Honorable George Tolth

Second: Honorable Andy Nez

Vote: Yeas: HNB/ AN/ GS/ GHT Nays: None Not Voting: VRJ/ CY.
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Remove from Tabling:

Motion:

Second:

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7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Legislation No. 0210-25:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Confirming the Appointment of Dr. Dolly Manson to the Diné College Board of Regents for a 6 Year Term.

Sponsors: Delegate Otto Tso
Co-Sponsor: Delegate George H. Tolth

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

- Monday, September 8, 2025 2:00 pm HEHSC Work Session; B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Friday, September 12, 2025 9:00 am HEHSC Work Session- NEA; B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 15, 2025 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Mtg; B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 22, 2025 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Mtg; B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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