

The NAVAJO NATION



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FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO AGENCY COUNCIL

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Fort Defiance Navajo Agency Council Meeting

April 11th, 2026 @ 9am Location: Navajo Pine High School, Red Lake Chapter

Proposed AGENDA

I. PRELIMINARIES:

- a. Call Meeting to Order: \_\_\_\_\_ AM
b. Roll Call: Bahast'ah, Cornfields, Coyote Canyon, Crystal, Dilkon, Fort Defiance, Ganado, Greasewood Springs, Houck, Indian Wells, Jeddito, Kinlichee, Klagetoh, Low Mountain, Lupton, Mexican Springs, Nahatadziil, Naschitti, Oak Springs, Red Lake, St. Michaels, Sawmill, Steamboat, Teesto, Tohatchi, Whitecone, Wide Ruins
c. Invocation/Welcome Address by Hosting Chapter (Host/Agency Official)
d. Introductions

II. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

M: S: V:

III. READING/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: (Emailed out/Read on your own)

Jan. 10th, 2026 @ 9am Location: St. Michael's Chapter

M: S: V:

IV. OLD BUSINESS: none

V. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Supporting Resolution(s):

1. FDNAC#041126-00: SUPPORTING THE NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE: CENTER FOR AMERICAN INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT'S RESEARCH TITLED "HOUSING EXPERIENCES OF NATIVE AMERICANS LIVING ON AND OFF RESERVATION LANDS IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO" SUBMISSION TO THE NAVAJO NATION HUMAN RESEARCH REVIEW BOARD.

Presenter: Jack Ford

2. FDNAC#041126-00: THE FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO AGENCY APPROVES AND SUPPORTS CANDI RUNNING BEAR, PHD TO CONDUCT RESEARCH AND COLLECT DATA FOR THE STUDENTS SPEAK STUDY ON THE FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO AGENCY.

Presenter:



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3. FDNAC#041126-00: THE FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO AGENCY APPROVES AND SUPPORTS CANDI RUNNING BEAR, PHD; JOHN CHUO, MD, MS; ELIZABETH LOWENTHAL, MD, MSCE; AND NANCY ASDIGIAN, PHD, TO CONDUCT RESEARCH AND COLLECT DATA ON THE FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO AGENCY.

Presenter:

4. FDNAC#041126-00: PROJECT SKODEN-ASD (SUPPORTING KNOWLEDGE OWNERSHIP AND DATA FOR EMPOWERING NATIONS IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER RESEARCH).

Presenter: Candi Running Bear, PhD.

5. FDNAC#041126-00: SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE RESEARCH STUDY: "RIBBITING STORIES: UNDERSTANDING DINÉ PERSPECTIVES ON AMPHIBIANS AND NORTHERN LEOPARD FROG CONSERVATION IN THE CHUSKA MOUNTAINS"

Presenter: Catrina Marie Alberts

6. FDNAC#041126-00: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND WORKFORCE AND CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST THINGS FIRST QUALITY FIRST EXPERIENCES STUDY.

Presenter: Marlo McCabe

b. District Council Resolution(s):

District 07 Council

1. FDNAC#041126-00: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND SUPPORTING THE DISTRICT SEVEN COUNCIL AND THE DISTRICT 17 AND DISTRICT 7 GRAZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO IMPLEMENT AN INDEFINITE LIVESTOCK REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR HORSES AND CATTLE THAT ARE CONSIDERED STRAYS FERAL UNATTENDED, UNBRANDED, UNCLAIMED LIVESTOCK INEFFORTS TO REDUCE OVERPOPULATION.FOR ECOLOGICAL CONSERVATION: PROMOTING HABITAT RESTORATION: AND PROTECTING WATER RESOURCES TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES OF THE NAVAJO RANGELANDS FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF THE NAVAJO PEOPLE.

2. FDNAC#041126-00: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND SUPPORTING THE DISTRICT SEVEN COUNCIL FORMALLY SUPPORTS WHITE CONE CHAPTER IN THEIR REQUEST TO NAVAJO NATIONN COUNCIL DELEGATE CHERILYN YAZZIE, THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, NAABIKIYATI COMMITTEE, THE 25 TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL, AND THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE ALLOCATION OFN THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE (UUFb) TOWARDS THE RENOVATION AND REPAIR OF WHITE CONE CHAPTER HOUSE, WHITE CONE MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING, WHITE CONE HEADSTART/VETERANS BUILDING, AND THE WHITE CONE SENIOR CENTER BUILDING, WITH A FUNDING AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,500,000.00).

3. FDNAC#041126-00: RESOLUTION REQUESTING RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (RDC) AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL (NNC) TO OPEN A LANDFILL/TRANSFER STATION TO REDUCE ILLEGAL TRASH DUMPING FOR SAFETY, SANITARY, AND BEAUTIFICATION PURPOSES.

District 14 Council

District 17 Council: (pending)



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District 18 Council

- 1. FDNAC#041126-00: DISTRICT #18, FORT DEFIANCE AGENCY IS SUPPORTING AND APPROVING "THE NAHATA DZIIIL COMMISSION GOVERNANCE, A CHAPTER WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION "INDIAN COUNTRY", REQUEST TO THE APACHE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR AND CONTROL TO DENY THE APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT CHIEFTAIN MOBIL, LOCATED AT I-40 RAMP HWY 191 EXIT 353, CHAMBERS, ARIZONA 86502.
2. FDNAC#041126-00: SUPPORTING ARIZONA SENATE BILL 1482 (SB1482): AN APPROATIONS SUBMISSION FOR THE FORT DEFIANCE SENIOR CENTER IN FORT DEFAINCE, ARIZONA, APACHE COUNTY, NAVAJO NATION.
3. FDNAC#041126-00: SUPPORTING RESEARCH STUDY: CITIZEN PERSPECTIVES OF ENERGY PATHWAYS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ON THE NAVAJO NATION IN THE SOUTHWEST, U.S.
4. FDNAC#041126-00:

VI. RECEIVING REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS: (10 minutes time limit)

- a. Quarterly Report from the Office of the President /Vice President.
b. Quarterly Report from the Office of the Speaker
c. Quarterly Report from the Office of the Chief Justice
d. 25th Navajo Nation Council Delegates (Fort Defiance Agency)
e. Congressional Leadership
f. Navajo Nation Divisions/Programs/Departments/Commissions: (SIGN IN SHEET WILL BE PROVIDED)
g. Apache/McKinley/Navajo County Board of Supervisors/Commissioner's/Sheriffs Offices
h. Navajo Nation Enterprises
i. Gallup-McKinley County/Ganado Unified/Holbrook Unified/Sanders Unified/Window Rock Unified School Board(s)
j. Other(s): Presenters: (SIGN IN SHEET WILL BE PROVIDED)
Taishiana Tsosie, Johns Hopkins
Darlen Dixon, Dilkon Chapter (fair committee)

VII. NEXT REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING(S) / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. 9:00AM, Saturday; July 11, 2026 – Host: Houck Chapter
b. 9:00AM, Saturday; October 10, 2026 – Host: Dilkon Chapter
c. 9:00AM, Saturday; January 9, 2027 – Host: \_\_\_\_\_

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: \_\_\_\_\_ PM