

AGENDA

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE and the BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

**SPECIAL MEETING
September 3, 2026
9:00 AM**

PRESIDING: Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson (HEHSC)
Honorable Germaine Simonson, Vice-Chairperson (HEHSC)
Honorable Shaandiin Parrish, Chairperson (BFC)
Honorable Carl Slater, Vice-Chairperson (BFC)

PLACE: Navajo Nation Council Chambers
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[] Helena Nez-Begay	[] Norman M. Begay
[] Dr. Andy Nez	[] Amber K. Crotty
[] George Tolth	[] Cherilyn Yazzie
[] Curtis Yanito	[] Lester Yazzie

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. BFC Directive to HEHSC and BFC Committees.

Legislation No. 0179-26: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee and Budget and Finance Committee; Approving and Recommending the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration and Related Matters.

August 12, 2026 BFC Special Meeting.

Budget and Finance Committee Directive to HEHSC and BFC:

“2. Directive to Committees: *The Budget and Finance Committee and the Health, Education and Human Services Committee shall meet with Navajo Veterans Advisory Council to discuss the Veterans Trust Fund Budget and its distribution for FY 2027. Replace Exhibit E with new Exhibit E with updated UNMET NEEDS so it includes the Executive Director position.”*

“3. Directive to the Program. *Provide updated budget forms consistent with the amendment above.”*

- Financial Status (balance) of the Navajo Veterans Trust Fund (NVTF) account.
 - Principal Balance of the NVTF.
 - Interest generated from the principal balance.
- Number of Veterans registered with the Navajo Veteran Administration And/Or the Navajo Veterans Advisory Council by Navajo Agency.
- Disbursements budgeted for the number of eligible Navajo Nation Veterans.
- Principal balance necessary to generate interest for annual disbursements to Navajo Veterans.

Presenters: Navajo Office of the Controller:

Sean McCabe, Controller, Office of the Controller
Robert Willie, Assistant Controller; Office of the Controller
Jeremy D. Jimmy, Investments, OOC
Adam C. Parker, Investments, OOC

Office of Management and Budget:

Dominic Beyal, Director, OMB
Tanya Tsosie, Senior Budget Analyst, OMB

Office of the President and Vice-President:

Aaron Long, Executive Assistant, OPVP
Tim Johnson, Veterans Affairs Liaison, OPVP

Navajo Veterans Administration:

Bobbie Baldwin, Executive Director – NVA
Leann Roy, Deputy Director; NVA
William Nez, Housing Program Manager; NVA

Navajo Veterans Advisory Council:

Ryan Benally, Commander, NVAC
Hubert Smith, Vice-Commander, NVAC

Eastern Agency:

Sherilynne Juan, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Hubert Smith, Vice Commander

Ft. Defiance Agency:

Raymond Smith, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Cody Neena, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Northern Agency:

Ryan Benally, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Amanda Sandoval, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Western Agency:

Latanya Williams, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Leslie Dele, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Central Agency:

Harrison Kee, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Santana Yazzen, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Invited: Chapter Veterans Organizations:

Veterans from Navajo Nation Chapters

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6. OLD BUSINESS: *None*

7. NEW BUSINESS: *None*

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

- Friday, September 4, 2026 9:00 am Naabikiyati' Special Meeting; NN Council Chambers, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Tuesday/Wednesday, Sept. 8-9, 2026 NN Council Special Session (proposed); NN Council Chambers, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Thursday, September 10, 2026 10:00 am Naabikiyati' Committee Regular Meeting; NNC Council Chambers; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 14, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Wednesday - Friday, September 16 – 18, 2026 OLS Staff Development and Wellness (Mandatory)
- Monday, September 21, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 28, 2026 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.*