

# PROPOSED AGENDA

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

### REGULAR MEETING June 28, 2023

9:00 AM (Twin Arrows/Arizona Time)  
10:00 AM (Window Rock / NN Time)

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

**PLACE** : Twin Arrows Dine' Conference Center / (In-Person)  
Via Telecommunications:  
**Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833**      **MTG ID: 979-985-0956**  
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Twin Arrows, NN (AZ)

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<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

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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):**

- June 5, 2023      Special Meeting
- June 6, 2023      Special Meeting
- June 7, 2023      Special Meeting
- June 14, 2023     Regular Meeting
- June 21, 2023     Regular meeting

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5. RECEIVING REPORT:

A. Report:

Navajo Nation Board of Education

<u>Overview:</u>	<u>3 CHALLENGES of Each:</u>	<u>OBJECTIVES:</u>
Program Summary	Navajo Nation	Goals
Program Staffing; Vacancies	Federal	Accomplishments
Personnel	Arizona	
Program Challenges	New Mexico	
Solutions	Utah	
Timeline of Solutions		

Issues:

- Overview of NNBOE Presentation
- NNBOE Plan of Operation
- Strategy and timeline of securing a hire for the NN Superintendent of Schools
  - Recruitment
- Status of implementing Dine’ language criteria in curriculum requirements.
  - Navajo Nation
  - BIE / Tribally Controlled Schools
  - State
  - Tracking Navajo students enrolled in Dine’ language and cultural courses
- Plans to establish NN as a State Educational Agency
- Status of updated DoDE and programs’ plans of operation
- DoDE – Education building renovation to code plans
  - Accessing NN FRF (ARPA) Funds for renovation / repairs
- Encouraging the coordination of work efforts with programs internally and externally, i.e. Office of Background Investigations (OBI); DBOSBA, etc.
- Strategic plans with DHR to establish a Human Resource Dept. within DoDE
- Initiate, coordinate or renew data sharing agreements with BIE, Arizona, New Mexico and Utah
- Strategy for data collection of school size, funding, employees, community service population; student population, student race, dropout rate, student career and college/university preparation, address to eliminate higher education requirements for remedial courses; graduation rates, etc.
  - Funding for hardware from NN FRF (ARPA) Funds for Information Technology
- Policy consideration for homeschool curriculum coordinating with higher education courses.
  - Dual enrollment for homeschool high school and higher education institutions – colleges, universities, etc.

Presenter(s): *Navajo Nation Board of Education*

Appointed: Terms ending January 25, 2025

Dr. Pauletta White, President, Administrator Representative

Andrea K. Thomas, Vice-President,  
Dr. Henry Fowler,  
Joan A. Gray,  
Emerson John,  
Spencer W. Willie,

Teacher Representative  
Traditional Navajo Culture  
Parent Representative  
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Elected: Terms ending January 2027

Mary E. Begay,  
Nadine M. Chatto,  
Dellard Curely, Secretary  
Freda Nells,  
Sharon Todacheenie,

Chinle Agency  
Eastern Agency  
Western Agency  
Northern Agency  
Fort Defiance Agency

**Invited:** Claudia Edgewater, Interim Superintendent, Department of Dine Education  
Derrick Franklin, Senior Program Planner; Interim Prog. Manager-ODAC/DODE

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6.    **OLD BUSINESS:** *None*

7.    **NEW BUSINESS:** *None*

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

Regular Meeting:	July 12, 2023
Navajo Nation Council Summer Session:	July 17 – 21, 2023
Regular Meeting:	July 26, 2023

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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.*