AGENDA

I. Call to Order
   a. Regent Atcitty called the meeting to order at 12:55 PM in Shiprock, NM.

II. Roll Call
    _X_ Fannie L. Atcitty     _X_ Laurence Gishey
    _X_ Leonard Charley       _X_ Andrew Tah
    _X_ Loretta Draper        _X_ Clinton Jim

III. Invocation
    a. Provided by Regent Charley.

IV. Approval of Agenda
    a. Motion by Gishey. Second by Charley.
    b. Discussion- Regent Tah wants to start with Business and then go to Reports and Minutes.
       i. Motion by Regent Jim. Second by Charley.
       ii. Vote: 6/0/0

V. Introduction of Guests and Staff
   a. Winifred Jumbo, Executive Assistant
   b. Dr. Maggie George announced that it was Felesha's last day.
   c. Anjeanette Lang, DPI
   d. Angie Listo, Doctoral Candidate at University of Pennsylvania
   e. Devina Morris, Title III Program
   f. Abraham Bitok, Interim Dean of Academics
   g. Ky Travis, VP of Academic and Student Programs
   h. Ron Belloli, VP of Finance & Administration
   i. Board of Regents- Leonard Charley, Regent Jim, Regent Gishey, Regent Tah, Regent Atcitty, Regent Draper

VI. Announcements
b. Regent Atcitty contacted Jarvis Williams from the Office of the Speaker and he mentioned Jonathan Hale’s attendance. There is a resolution in place and the sponsor is Delegate Katherine Benally, which prohibits delegates from being involved with various public offices such as boards and commissions.

c. Regent Atcitty announced that NBC Learn will be presenting on December 7, 2011 in Window Rock, AZ at the Navajo Nation Council Chambers. Diné College was mentioned on the agenda for this particular meeting.

d. Regent Gishey stated that Diné College should write a thank you letter to the Navajo Nation Council for funding. Maggie George stated she would draft a letter on behalf of Diné College.

VII. New Business

   a. Read into record by Regent Draper.
   b. Ky Travis stated they changed the quorum from 15 to 12 under Article 6 and other changes were within the duties and responsibilities. Also, Ky stated that the first resolution was never passed and there is currently a strong need for a Faculty Association on the Diné College campus.
   c. Maggie stated the Faculty Association would allow for shared governance and the faculty took it upon themselves to go through the proper processes.
      i. Point of order: Motion by Regent Gishey. Second by Tah.
      ii. The board mentioned to use the format of a strike through for any changes. Regent Jim mentioned he felt comfortable with a brand new resolution and he thinks that it should be tabled.
   d. Regent Tah and Regent Gishey both stated that this process should be a legal matter. Regent Tah stated there is a particular resolution procedure and process that should be followed. Regent Tah called for the college attorney for review, but the college attorney was not present at the meeting.
      i. Motion on the floor to discuss.
      ii. Motion by Regent Gishey. Second by Regent Tah.
      iii. Vote: 3/3/0

2. Action Item "B" – Approving and Authorizing the Expenditure of the Navajo Nation Appropriation in the Amount of Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($4,200,000) for Fiscal Year 2012 (October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012) and Incorporating these Funds into the College’s Fiscal Year 2012 General Fund Operating Budget.
   a. Read into the record by Regent Draper.
   i. Motioned to discuss by Regent Gishey. Second by Regent Jim
      1. Regent Gishey wanted to hear more about the way the money would be used. Ron Belloli did not have attachments to the documents; therefore Action Item “B” was put on hold. Regent Atcitty mentioned that it is in their by-laws that the resolutions are presented with supporting documents.
         b. Regent Gishey had to defer. Second by Regent Jim.
             i. Vote: 6/0/0
      2. There were no attachments to resolution Action Item “B”. Ron Belloli considered what was asked and provided attachments Exhibit "A" Diné College Fiscal Year 2012 and
Exhibit "B" Diné College General Fund Revenue Fiscal Year 2012 (October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012) of the allocation process.
   a. No questions.
   b. Motion by Regent Charley. Second by Regent Jim.
      i. Vote: 5/0/0

3. Action Item "C" – Approving and Authorizing the Expenditure of One Hundred Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Six Dollars ($105,726) for the Purchase of a Dump Truck with Snow Plow and Winter Weather Spreader to Tom Jones Ford LLLP, 23454 W Hwy 85, Buckeye, AZ 85326, the Truck to be Paid for Using General Funds.
   a. Read in to record by Regent Draper.
      i. Motioned to discuss by Regent Tah. Second by Charley.
   b. Ron Belloli has been asking to have this subject matter discussed and put into the budget. Ron Belloli stated that the college has gone through all sorts of issues when winter and heavy snowfall visits the campus. There was a representative from Camelback Ford and Tom Jones Ford. Through this contract the truck will be helpful for the Tsaile campus and it could be used at the Tuba City campus. Regent Tah asked if the budget needed to be revised and so on. Ron Belloli stated the budget had a sufficient reserve and the board should take the opportunity.
      i. Motioned by Regent Tah. Second by Regent Charley.
      ii. Vote: 6/6/0

(Regent Jim was asked to turn off cell phone.)

   a. Read into the record by Regent Draper.
      i. Motion to discuss by Regent Draper. Second by Gishey.
   b. Regent Gishey is concerned with the hourly rate of the mileage, which is a common practice for the business sector by charging more per hour. Regent Tah stated the current attorney does not do his job.
   c. ENTERED Executive Session at 1:46 PM.
      i. Motion by Regent Draper. Second by Regent Tah.
      ii. Vote: 6/0/0
   d. EXITED Executive Session at 2:08 PM.
      i. Motion by Regent Tah. Second by Regent Draper.
   e. After the discussion in executive session the board decided to approve the contract for John Trebon, P.C.
      i. Motion by Regent Jim. Second by Regent Gishey.
      ii. Vote: 6/0/0

VIII. Reports
1. Dissertation Study Update – Angie Listo
a. Angie Listo mentioned there was a delay in the IRB approval process and timeline. She has to go full steam ahead because the timelines are in place. Despite the delays Angie stated she is determined to finish her dissertation. Higher education of people is very important to her.

b. She looks forward to coming back to Diné College and hopefully she will see some snow.

c. She wanted to share that she went to Peru for the indigenous conference on education, which is held every year. She enjoyed how the people lived in that part of the world. The focus of the conference was on language policy and cultural preservation, to better and enhance indigenous people.

d. She did a presentation at University of Arizona on the topic of women in leadership positions in higher education, specifically female CEOs and female in chair positions. Out of 36 tribal colleges, 17 sit in those positions as opposed to representatives. She has been invited to back to present at University of Arizona again.

e. The only thing she wants to add is that she is a Vice President for Gaming Purposes for Tohono O'odham Nation. She is working on expanding her tribal enterprise for more business.
   i. Motion by Regent Gishy. Second by Regent Jim.
   ii. Vote: 6/0/0

2. Office of the President – President Dr. Maggie George
   a. The Wisdom of the People Grant is back on track. There is more money to pay for travel. There is now an external evaluator. Dr. George is in the process of finishing out the grant by March 30, 2012. There will be a completed project along with publications.
   b. Dr. George and Regent Atcitty both participated in the AHEIC meeting right before the INEA conference.
   c. One concern Diné College would like to address is media policy and that was given to the Leadership Team for discussion. The Leadership Team is going to come up with a draft and they will present it to the Administrative Team, which is the internal process.
   d. Shiprock Day Care is moving, but there are no updated details thus far. There is already an MOU in place for the day care and the grant for the married student housing needs to be processed as soon as possible.
   e. Daryl R. Begay was hired to prepare documents as a legislative consultant.
      i. Mr. Begay provided an introduction.
      i. Vote: 5/0/0

3. Office of Academic & Student Affairs – Ky Travis, Interim Vice President Academic and Student Programs
   a. The presentation was in the format of power point. They are building academics and standards with the use of data collections and making decisions off of the data they accumulated. April 2012 is approaching quickly and they need to provide a clear explanation on behalf Academic and Student Programs. Ky Travis stated she has the biggest department in the college; therefore there is a lot of data. Enrollment has been dropping and Pell grants don’t support summer enrollment and there are a lot of students whom are older and they don’t know what will happen.
   b. Regent Gishy asked if they are giving TRIO back. Ky stated TRIO has very strict terms and it was a duplication of services. Title III and TRIO were basically vying for the same services. There was no space and it had to be based in one central location, which would be Tsaile, AZ. TRIO said it was a
reasonable decision for Diné College because Diné College would have better chances in the future with TRIO considering the record. Ky addressed that too many grants is a problem, if you don't read between the lines and fine print. Title III is a pure grant and it is free money; Title III is a flexible tribal grant, so you can move money around and project deliverables.

c. Regent Gisheyle read the report regarding TRIO and it is very extensive. Regent Gisheyle felt that it was a very helpful and extensive report. Regent Gisheyle saw that the TRIO grant was very demanding and that the TRIO was using the same model as Title III. Regent Tah mentioned how many grants were returned. Ky stated that it is not her sole duty to report on grants and she is working really hard to clean up all the grants. Ky mentioned that grants need to be centralized and tracked.

d. One major goal is to produce quality education for the Diné College students. Advising is very important and it is more than filling out a checklist. 42% of the students are in residential halls and the rest are commuters. The college needs a way to stay occupied with more of a campus culture because there are a lot of students that come in with various issues. Tribal colleges face such odds and the bench marks are showing the positive trends. Faculty and advising could be enhanced, because there is an estimated 2,021 students that have been red flagged thus far. Ky assured there will be some changes made to benefit the students' learning opportunities.

e. Abraham Bitok was pleased that there are 56 Full Time Faculty, 33 Adjunct Faculty and 5 open positions within the Business and Science departments. The college is maximizing all the class rooms.

(Regent Tah left the room at 3:27 PM)

f. Maggie stated that right now there is an open rolling admission and a rolling placement test for Diné College. She suggested test taking strategies during the summer might prep the students' test taking skills for placement when they begin their first semester at Diné College.
   i. Motion by Regent Draper. Second by Regent Charley.
   ii. Vote: 5/0/0

IX. Approval of Meeting Minutes
   a. Sept 17, 2011-Regular Board of Regents Meeting
      i. Motion by Regent Gisheyle. Second by Regent Jim.
      ii. Vote: 5/0/0
   b. October 15, 2011-Annual Board of Regents Meeting
      i. Needs to be revised and presented at next Board of Regents Meeting.

X. Board of Regents
   1. Draft Bylaws
      a. On December 9, 2011 the Board of Regents will have an in-depth work session followed by a Board of Regents meeting on December 10th. This will serve as a time to settle by-laws and a mission statement.

XI. Next Meeting Date
   a. DATE: December 10, 2011 – Office of Administration and Finance
   b. TIME: 8:00 a.m.
   c. LOCATION: Radisson Woodlands Hotel
XII. Adjournment
   a. 4:01 PM
   b. Motion by Regent Gishey. Second by Regent Draper
      i. Vote: 5/0/0