

## Diné College Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting		Date: Friday, July 29, 2016
Present:	Greg H. Bigman, Teresa Hatathlie, Nelson S. BeGaye, Johnson Dennison, Aaron Lee, Anderson Hoskie (Quorum of <u>5</u> is met) <u>6</u> Regents are in attendance.	Location: Large Conference Room Shiprock, NM Time: 9:00 AM
Absent:	Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr.	

Agenda		
<i>July 29, 2016 Minutes approval motioned by Regent Lee, seconded by Regent Dennison; Vote 5/0/1.</i>		
<b>I. Call to Order:</b> Regent Greg Bigman called the meeting to order at 9:25 AM.		
<b>II. Roll Call:</b> Regent Aaron Lee.		
<b>III. Invocation:</b> Regent Nelson S. BeGaye.		
<b>IV. Introduction of Guest and Staff</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priscilla Weaver, Shiprock Campus Director</li> <li>• Librarian From South Campus</li> <li>• Michael Redhouse, Gym Manger</li> <li>• Kerry Lowell, New Mexico Highlands University</li> <li>• Jim Alarid, New Mexico Highlands University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meryl Dayzie, Interim Director of Human Resources</li> <li>• Eugene Glasses, Project Manager</li> <li>• Mr. Delmar, Community Member</li> <li>• Rose Mark Dennison, Community Member</li> <li>• Gladys Lewis, Custodian</li> </ul>	
<b>V. Public Comments:</b>	<b>Follow-Up Action:</b>	<b>Responsible POC:</b>
<b>1. Mr. Delmar, Navajo Language Instructor/Professor of NAU</b> Mr. Delmar toured the Shiprock south and north campuses. He noticed and observed numerous grammatical mistakes of the Navajo Language in the written portion of the signage and descriptors. The north side of the campus had mistakes in the mission statement. He has taught at Diné College and it is the primer College. He asked where the scholarship lies within the institution. The mistakes need to be corrected. He grew up in a boarding school era, but he was able to learn to read and write in the Navajo Language, therefore anyone call learn the Navajo Language.		

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<p><b>VI. Announcements:</b></p> <p><b>1. Lisa Eutsey</b>          She announced Althea Kinlahcheeny, Executive Assistant is leaving the College to pursue her higher education at NMHU. The Executive Team wished her well.</p>		
<p><b>2. Regent Bigman</b>          Introduced the Diné College Board of Regents to the public.</p>		
<p><b>VII. Approval of Board of Regents Meeting Minutes</b>          Friday, June 17, 2016          Tuba City, AZ</p> <p><b>Motion by Regent Dennison.</b>  <b>Second by Regent BeGaye.</b>  <b>No Discussion of the item.</b>  <b>Vote: 5/0/0.</b></p>		
<p><b>VIII. Reports:</b></p> <p><b><u>Oral Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>1. Acct Presidential Update – Narcisa Polonio and Tamarie Adams</b>          The Acct team is excited because they got feedback from the Regents. They have been activity recruiting a very targeted search by reaching out to highly qualified candidates. They were pleased with Meryl Dayzie from the College for being very responsive. He provided a list of recommended candidates. Regent Bigman emailed the presidential search timeline and profile to the Regents. Regent Dr. Lewis and Regent Dennison will serve on the committee.</p>		

<p>They will be spear heading the initiative. Regent Dennison appreciates their services. The timeline is to receive the applications by August 30, 2016 with an October 2016 hire. Regent Hatathlie had a concern regarding the timeline. Normally colleges have contracts signed by July 2016. What are the opportunities of a late contract? Are we losing some of the candidates? They are consonantly searching for presidential candidates today. The timing is not tampering with the application pool at this time. Regent BeGaye would like to get a new College President hired as soon as possible. The Navajo Nation is looking at how the College is going to move forward. Acct is focusing on tradition and members of the Navajo Nation for potential presidential candidates.</p>	<p><b>REQUEST:</b> The College will need a transition process plan for the next President for a smooth transition. The transition is not going to be abrupt.</p>	<p><b>PERSONS:</b> College Executive Team</p>
<p><b>2. Office the President - Dr. Martin Ahumada, Interim President</b> Dr. Ahumada recently made a relationship with New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU). He begins the day with gratitude to make his job honorable. The College needs to have a connection to the youth and elderly. Mr. Delmar spoke of the miss spelling of the Navajo words, so the College will correct those items because quality matters. The Navajo Nation Police Chief will be confirmed in early August 2016; therefore Dr. Guy from NTU and Diné College will draft a MOU to offer training for reading and writing. Through the Government Affairs Office, Utah Valley University has been identified for a potential Diné College site. The</p>		

College is finalizing a MOA with the University of Arizona for research and community service. Regent Bigman is thankful for Diné College and NMHU for working together. The MOU was sent to legal review. There were little questions and concerns. The MOU has flexibility and it will benefit both Colleges.

**3. Student Regent Update – Aaron Lee, ASDC President**

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**Motion by Regent BeGaye to include a blessing for the “jish” by Johnson Dennison before the Shiprock Campus Director presents. Also, to include Office of Student Affairs under written reports as item number six.**

**Second by Regent Lee.**

**Vote: 5/0/0.**

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<p><b><u>Written Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>1. Priscilla Weaver, Shiprock Campus Director</b></p> <p>There are 21 feeder schools to the Shiprock campus with 8,319 students attending the feeder schools. The vision of the campus is to stay and remain comfortable. The Shiprock campus had 95 graduates from 2012-2016. Most graduates majored in Social and Behavioral Science and Business Administration. There are 50 plus staff members at the Shiprock campus. They need more security at the campus considering Shiprock is one of the largest towns on the Navajo Nation. The campus will be conducting a safety day and week. They have developed a Security Handbook. The Student Recruiter has</p>	<p><b>DIRECTIVE:</b></p> <p>Consider the following items for the Shiprock Campus, Tsaille Campus, and Tuba City Center:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Space Utilization</li> <li>2. Child Care</li> <li>3. Student Housing</li> </ol>	<p><b>PERSONS:</b></p> <p>Priscilla Weaver, Phyllis Begay and Executive Team</p>

<p><b>2. Office of the Provost – Dr. Henry Fowler, Interim Provost</b>  The Board of Regents would like a timeline in regards to the draft of the Faculty Manual/Handbook. The discussion of space utilization will be included in the Academic Master Plan (AMP). The handbook is more of a procedural manuscript. The College would like the manual to be as flexible as possible. The Provost is encouraging the College to do more outreach to the College centers. The College is trying to arrange a meeting with Dr. Hudson from Grey Hills Academy. They had a phone conference and eventually a MOU with be drafted for faculty housing.</p>	<p><b>DIRECTIVE:</b> The Office of the Provost and Student Affairs need to produce a report highlighting collaborations between academics and student success.</p> <p><b>Motion by Regent BeGaye.  Second by Regent Dennison.  Vote: 5/0/0.</b></p>	<p><b>PERSONS:</b>  Dr. Fowler and  VP Haskey</p>
<p><b>3. Office of Finance &amp; Accounting - Cheryl Thompson, VPFA</b>  Scott Mackenzie, Interim IT Director mentioned the College had three internet service providers: NTUA, Frontier and Cellular One. The College has drafted the contract for the IT study. The College is in need of a Procurement Officer at this time. The College was challenged to request for more than 4.2 million dollars from the Navajo Nation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion for Delegate Crotty to present her report by  Regent Hatathlie.  Second by Regent Dennison.  Vote: 5/0/0.</b></p>		
<p><b>4. Naa’bikiyati’ Sexual Assault Prevention – Amber Kanazbah Crotty, Council Delegate</b>  Delegate Crotty would like to know how Diné College could help reduce and prevent violence against women. She asked DPI to help research the subject. The entire Navajo Nation needs updated policies and research to prevent the issue. She is formulating a sub committee. She asked if a representative from Diné College could get involved in the tribal comprehensive plan. She will be drafting up a consultant work proposal.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion to suspend the floor and move to “New Business:  Action Item A” to the floor by Regent BeGaye.</b></p>	<p><b>DIRECTIVE:</b>  Consider a resolution for the next board meeting. Consider it a for a student project for AIEHC. Consider the next focus group meeting at the College. Assess the goals with the task force and provide a cost proposal.</p>	<p><b>PERSONS:</b>  Delegate  Crotty and  Winifred  Jumbo</p>

<p><b>Second by Regent Hatathlie. Vote: 5/0/0.</b></p>	<p><b>Motion by Regent Hatathlie. Second by Regent BeGaye.</b></p>	
<p><b>5. Office of Communications &amp; External Relations- Marie R. Etsitty Nez, Executive Director</b> There is a need for various positions within the respected departments. A Web Developer is greatly needed. There were various news articles published about the Police Academy. They did some goal setting within each department. The Marketing for the BA programs is an ongoing task and they are looking into options like getting the faculty involved and the radio station.</p>		
<p><b>6. Office of Student Affairs – Glennita Haskey, Vice President of Student Affairs</b> The Office of Student Affairs will meet with Aramark to look into the issues of food service to the students.</p> <p><b>Motion to accept reports by Regent BeGaye. Second by Regent Dennison. Vote: 5/0/1.</b></p>		
<p><b>IX. Old Business:</b></p> <p><b>1. Action Item “A” – Amending the Final Report of Forensic Accounting and Investigation Services Prepared by Veriti Consulting, LLC</b></p> <p><b>Read into record by Regent Lee. Motion by Regent BeGaye. Second by Regent Hoskie. Vote: 6/0/0.</b></p>		
<p><b>X. New Business:</b></p> <p><b>1. Action Item “A” – <u>Authorizing and Approving a \$173,220 Matching Funds</u></b></p>		

Investment by Diné College for a Partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Polycom, and New Mexico Highlands University for a Distance Education Technology Initiative- and a Memorandum of Understanding Guiding the Partnership

**Read into record by Regent Lee.  
Motion by Regent BeGaye. Second by Regent Lee.  
Fix grammatical mistakes.  
Vote: 5/0/0.**

**2. Action Item “B”** – Approving and Authorizing Diné College to enter into an agreement with Rock Point Community School, Rock Point, Arizona. Subject: Dual Credit (Attachment)

**Read into record by Regent Lee.  
Motion by Regent Lee. Second by Regent Hatathlie.  
Vote: 6/0/0.**

**3. Action Item “C”** – Supporting the Navajo Cultural Arts Program, Authorizing the Navajo Cultural Arts Program for Federal Financial Aid Status, and Sanctioning the Navajo Cultural Arts Program to Submit Grant Applications for Future Funding Opportunities

**Read into record by Regent Lee.  
Motion by Regent Dennison. Second by Regent Hatathlie.  
Vote: 6/0/0.**

**DIRECTIVE:**  
By December 2016 the Program will need to follow up with a budgetary timeline and analysis. Also, to begin a direct discussion with the Executive Team regarding the future of the Program.

**Motion Regent Lee.  
Second by Regent Hatathlie.  
Vote: 6/0/0.**

**PERSON:**  
Christine Ami,  
Grants  
Manager



<p><b>XI. Executive Session:</b>  <b>Motion to enter to discuss personnel matters by Regent Dennison.</b>  <b>Second by Regent Hatathlie.</b>  <b>Vote: 6/0/0.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Enter: 4:36 PM</b>  <b>Exit: 5:34 PM</b></p>		
<p><b>XII. Next Meeting:</b>  <b>Friday, August 12, 2016 at Chinle Center.</b></p>		
<p><b>XIII. Adjournment:</b>  <b>Motion by Regent BeGaye. Second by Regent Lee.</b>  <b>Adjourned at 5:45 PM.</b></p>		
<p>Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Winifred Jumbo, Interim Dine Board of Regents Liaison.</p>		