

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting		Friday, May 10, 2019				
Present:	Greg Bigman, Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr., Sharon Toadecheenie (arrived at 7:14 a.m.), Theresa Hatathlie (arrived at 7:28 a.m.), Devon Begay, Johnson Dennison, Anderson Hoskie (arrived at 7:15 a.m.), Daniel E. Tso (Quorum of <u>5</u> is met) <u>8</u> Regents in attendance.	Location: Diné College Tsaile Campus, BOR Conference Room 620C.				
Absence:		Tsaile, AZ Time: 7:00 a.m.				
Agenda						
May 10, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes approved on September 13, 2019. Motion: Regent Toadecheenie, Second: Regent Dennison. Vote: 6-0-0.						
I. Call to Order: Regent Bigman called the meeting to order at 7:11 a.m.						
II. Roll Call: Regent Tso appointed to conducts secretary duties for the beginning of the meeting. Regent Toadecheenie resumed responsibilities upon her arrival.						
III. Invocation: Regent Dr. Lewis provided the prayer for the meeting.						
IV. Approval of Agenda Motioned by Regent Dennison to amend and adopt the agenda, Seconded by Regent Begay. Discussion: Regent Bigman verbally identifies changes to the presented agenda from the version included in the board packet. Those changes include addition onto oral reports, “Navajo Nation Council Delegate Report – Honorable Delegate Crotty & Honorable Delegate Brown” and New Business Item “L”, “Approving the Extension of the Attorney Contract with Michael Upshaw, Attorney at Law, for an Additional Term of One Year. Vote on approving motion: 6-0-0.		<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr style="background-color: #d3d3d3;"> <th style="text-align: left;">Follow-Up Action:</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Responsible POC:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No changes needed, as the presented agenda had the updates already included. </td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Follow-Up Action:	Responsible POC:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No changes needed, as the presented agenda had the updates already included. 	
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V. Introduction of Guest and Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greg Bigman, BOR President • Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr., Vice President • Sharon Toadecheenie, Secretary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost • Barsine Benally, Faculty Association President • Janeen Tapaha, Staff Association Vice President • Velveena Davis, Executive Director OIPR 					

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theresa Hatathlie, Treasurer • Devon Begay, BOR Member • Johnson Dennison, BOR Member • Anderson Hoskie, BOR Member • Daniel Tso, BOR Member • Dr. Monty Roessel, Diné College President • Honorable Nathaniel Brown, Navajo Nation Council Delegate • Honorable Amber Crotty, Navajo Nation Council Delegate • Bo Lewis, Vice President of Finance & Administration • Joy Thompson, IT Director • Cortasha Upshaw, NTEC Representative • Chris Balzano, NM Legislative Lobbyist • Glennita Haskey, Vice President of Student Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marie Nez, Vice President of External Affairs • Delbert Paquin, Projects and Operations Director • Paul Willeto, Dean of Arts, Humanities, & English • Benita Litson, Director of Land Grant Office • Aaron Begay, Community Member • Fred Boyd, Faculty • Nathan Tohtsoni, NTEC Representative • Rosemary Dennison, Community Member • Treva Carrou, Community Member • Weston Carnell, Community Member • Rosalind Smith, Faculty Association Secretary • Jesse Maloney, Faculty Association President • Delbert Paquin, Director of Projects and Operations 	
<p>VI. Public Comments Fred Boyd expressed his concern of discussion on increase of housing rental rates increase.</p>		
<p>VII. Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2019 Employee Appreciation – May 14, 2019 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., to be held in Shiprock, NM at the North Campus Gym. ▪ Navajo Technical University (NTU) Commencement – May 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Crownpoint, NM, NTU Crownpoint Campus. ▪ Diné College Foundation Meeting – Friday, June 7, 2019 from 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. & Saturday June 8, 2019 from 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. ▪ AIHEC Summer Conference 2019 – June 24-26, 2019 in Santa Fe, NM ▪ New Trustee Governance Leadership Institute 2019 – August 8-10, 2019 in Washington, D.C. 		
VIII. Approval of Meeting Minutes & Work Session Minutes	Follow-Up Action	Responsible POC
<p>Work Session March 3-4, 2019 Durango, CO</p> <p>Regular Meeting March 8, 2019 Shiprock, NM</p>	<p>- Revise March 4th minutes as amended</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant</p>

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<p>Special Meeting April 10, 2019 Window Rock, AZ</p> <p>Motioned by Regent Toadecheenie to approve minutes, Seconded by Regent Begay</p> <p>Discussion: March 4th minutes to strike “executive session” and update discussions to “approved items” by Regent Bigman, seconded by Regent Dennison.</p> <p>Vote for amending motion: 5-0-1 Vote on approving motioned: 5-0-1 <i>[Regent Tso abstains, as he was not present for the meeting.]</i></p>		
<p>IX. Consent Items</p> <p>A. Action Items</p> <p>Regent Toadecheenie motioned to approve consent items, Items “A” through “G” and Written Reports, seconded by Regent Dr. Lewis.</p> <p>Vote on approving motion: 7-0-0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item “A” - <u>Amending the Diné College Master Investment Policy and Appendices.</u> • Action Item “B” - <u>Approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the Diné College School of Arts, Humanities, English and the Navajo Nation Museum to Work Together on Student Success.</u> • Action Item “C” - <u>Approving Fall and Spring Semesters and Summer Sessions Adjunct Budget Plan proposal.</u> 		

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- Action Item “D” - Approving Two Additions to the Existing Bachelor of Fine Arts Emphasis Offerings: BFA with an Emphasis in Navajo Silversmithing and BFA with an Emphasis in Navajo Weaving.
- Action Item “E” – Approving the revised Diné College Employee Housing Policy, dated and effective May 10, 2019.
- Action Item “F” – Diné College Board of Regents hereby approves the revisions of Faculty Association Bylaws.
- Action Item “G” - Accepting and Approving Diné College Land Grant Office (DC LGO) partnership with the Tsaille Wheatfields Dineh Water Users (TW DWU) a 501 c12 non-profit organization. DC LGO and TW DWU is in collaboration to sustain community agricultural projects by building permanent infrastructures: 150’ X 80’ Barn; 32’ X 60’ Hay Barn; and a secure Farm Equipment Storage location on Diné College land track – Tsaille, Arizona.

B. Written Reports

1. Office of the Provost – Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost
2. Office of Finance and Accounting – Bo Lewis, Vice President
3. Office of Student Affairs – Glennita Haskey, Vice President
4. Office of External Affairs – Marie Nez, Vice President
5. Staff Association- Calvin Dominguez, SA President
6. Faculty Association- Barsine Benally, FA President

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X. Oral Reports	Follow-Up Action	Responsible POC
<p>1. Navajo Nation Council Delegate Report – Honorable Delegate Crotty & Honorable Delegate Brown.</p> <p>The Navajo Nation Council Delegates Crotty and Brown present a check donation to the college.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regent Bigman expressed his appreciation and recognizes this as a beginning step in relationship building. 		
<p>2. Office of the President – Dr. Roessel, President</p> <p>The 2019 graduating class is 206 students. The first floor of the NHC is being renovated to become a training center. Dr. Roessel reports he spoke with Chief Justice, to create a Judicial College and training program for staff and attorneys with focuses on Navajo Fundamental Law and Navajo Sovereignty. In addition, there is work toward a partnership with probation services to develop a re-entry program assisting in skill development, pre-college, including our Navajo Philosophy. Dr. Roessel mentions discussion taking place and planning of a Navajo Sovereignty Institute. The college is engaged with Navajo Nation President Nez and Council Delegate Crotty in developing an initiative that addresses Murdered and Missing Diné Relatives. A preliminary date of June 26-27 as a forum at Diné College. The Diné College President is working to set up another meeting with NHA, Council Delegate Tso, and former Síhasin Committee Vice Chair in continued efforts for faculty housing. Dr. Roessel mentioned meetings with BIE and BIA officials discussing the O&M request. The budget process will result in some changes to the organization to be more efficient and effective.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regent Tso suggests that requests mentioned are in writing to the Navajo Nation Council. • Regent Bigman recommends a dashboard for reports that includes cost, outcomes, goals, and projects. Pipeline for BA/BS need to be shared with Student Success & Governance Committee. Professionalism in the Committee reports. Master Plan reviewed by Academic & Student Success Committee. Regent Bigman also inquired of the mold issues. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Roessel informs the mold concern is being addressed with maintenance. 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regent Dr. Lewis informs the Board of Regent of outreach to NAU Foundation and shares IUPUI Foundation book for upcoming foundation meeting. <p>Balzano Government Relations Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Scholarships in lottery • Provided a report of 36 legislations being tracked. Handouts included a Legislative Time and Tracking Report. 		
<p>3. NTEC Update to Diné College Board of Regents – Nathan Tohtsoni, Education Coordinator.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report provided on donations contributed by NTEC to Diné College and Community Projects and Partnerships. A handout with details was provided to the Board of Regents. 		
<p>4. Faculty Association – Barsine Benally, Faculty Association President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Academic Standing Committee will issue certificates to members identifying hours served in committee. • FA General meetings have resulted in revisions to the bylaws to improve decision making, communications, establish voting requirements, and outline meeting requirements • FA President makes recommendation for incremental housing rental increase. • FA President Reports on ranking updates: 14 members of faculty ranked, 15 members pending, and portfolios are still being accepted. • The FA association still in support of the Shared Governance Training. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Regent Bigman expressed appreciation to the Faculty Association. ✚ Regent Hatathlie states thank you to faculty association. Would like to see accomplishments and challenges within their report. 		
<p>5. Associated Students of Diné College – Devon Begay, Associated Students of Diné College President</p>		

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<p>Associated Students of Diné College (ASDC) President Devon Begay reports difficulty in holding an ASDC meeting due to her illness. She is making efforts to work on student handbook to reduce to 6 pages from original 18 pages.</p>		
<p>XI. Old Business There was no items for Old Business presented for this meeting.</p>		
<p>XII. New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item “H” - <u>Authorizing the continued Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement (Exhibit A) between Diné College and Tepeyac Consortium, Inc., supporting the existing collaborative partnership (Exhibit B: Resolution DC-APR-2237-17) which has been helping individuals earn their high school credentials so they can seek employment or enroll into college.</u> <p>Regent Hatathlie motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Begay. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: The presented resolution is the same as previous years and is requesting continued support.</p> <p>Vote for amending motion: 8-0-0. Vote for approving motion: 8-0-0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item “I” - <u>Bestowing Diné College Degrees and Certificates Upon 207 Degree, Certificate, Bachelor Candidates Who Will Fulfill Program Requirements by the end of the Spring 2019 Semester.</u> <p>Regent Hatathlie motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Begay. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p>	<p>Amend the resolution as noted.</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant.</p>

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<p>Discussion: There was no discussion for this action item.</p> <p>Vote for approving motion: 8-0-0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item “J” - <u>Diné College North Campus Roadway and Site Improvement Contract Amendment Resolution.</u> <p>Regent Dennison motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Toadecheenie. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: - Regent Tso motions to table for requested items and resolution to be brought back for approval at next meeting, seconded by Regent Begay.</p> <p>Vote for tabling motion: 8-0-0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item “K” - <u>Authorizing and Approving the expenditure of One Hundred Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirteen Dollars and sixty nine cents (\$109,913.69) to plan, design and construct and install access lane lighting at the Diné College South Campus to LAM Corporation.</u> <p>Regent Tso motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Toadecheenie. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: - The resolution was pending attorney review and legal opinion. Mr.</p>	<p>Directive: Provide letter to support/ justify sole sourcing.</p>		
<p>XII. Executive Session: There were no executive session held during this meeting.</p>			
<p>XIII. Next Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board of Regents Special Meeting Friday, May 24, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Proposed Location: VIP Board Conference Room, Twin Arrows Casino Report Flagstaff, AZ 			

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board of Regents Special Meeting Friday, June 14, 2019, 9 a.m. Proposed Location: 620C BOR Conference Room, Tsaille Main Campus Tsaille, AZ 		
<p>XIV. Adjournment: Motioned to adjourn by Regent Hoskie, seconded by Regent Toadecheenie. Vote: 7-0-1. Discussion: N/A. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.</p>		
<i>Respectfully submitted by: Michelle Cury, Diné College Board of Regents Executive Assistant</i>		