

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting		Friday, September 13, 2019
Present:	Greg Bigman, Sharon Toadecheenie, Theresa Hatathlie, Johnson Dennison, Anderson Hoskie (arrived 10:20 a.m.), Daniel E. Tso, LeTanya Thinn (Quorum of <u>5</u> is met) <u>7</u> Regents in attendance.	Location: Diné College Tsaile Campus, BOR Conference Room 620C.
Excused Absence:	Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr.	Tsaile, AZ Time: 9:00 a.m.
Agenda		
September 13, 2019 Minutes were approved on November 12, 2019. Motion: Regent Toadecheenie, Second: Regent: Thinn. Vote 7-0-0.		
I. Call to Order: Regent Bigman called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.		
II. Roll Call: Regent Toadecheenie conducted the roll call.		
III. Invocation: Regent Hatathlie provided the prayer for the meeting.		
IV. Oath of Office: LeTanya Thinn, ASDC President, sworn in by Board President.		
V. Approval of Agenda	Follow-Up Action:	Responsible POC:
Motioned by Regent Toadecheenie to adopt the agenda, Seconded by Regent Dennison. Discussion: There was no discussion to approve the agenda. Vote on approving motion: 5-0-0.		
VI. Introduction of Guest and Staff		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greg Bigman, BOR President • Sharon Toadecheenie, Secretary • Johnson Dennison, BOR Member • Daniel Tso, BOR Member • LeTanya Thinn, BOR Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharonna Yazzie-John, Staff • Marie Nez, Vice President of External Affairs • Delbert Paquin, Project Manager • Leon Jackson, Projects and Operations Director • Adrian Lerma, Development Officer • Merle Dayzie, Director of Human Resources 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Monty Roessel, Diné College President • Bo Lewis, Vice President of Finance & Administration • Joy Thompson, IT Director • Glennita Haskey, Vice President of Student Affairs • Chris Balzano, NM Lobbyist • Benita Litson, LGO Director • Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost • Adrian Lerma, Development Officer • Velveena Davis, Executive Director OIPR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leander Tsosie, Student • Crystal Cree, Legislative Affairs Director • Marvin Hood, IT Operations Manager • David Delmar, Community Member • Leon Kangogo, Student • Earlson Manson, Student • Charmayne Begay, Student • Jessica Denetdeal, Student • Frank Lujan, Student 	
<p>VII. Public Comments There were no public comments during the meeting.</p>		
<p>VIII. Announcements</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Diné College Rodeo starting 8 a.m. with performance at 1 p.m. at the DC Rodeo Grounds on September 14, 2019 at Tsaile Campus, Tsaile, AZ. 2. Beauty Way- Music and Arts Festival from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. at the Student Union Building on September 14, 2019 at Tsaile Campus, Tsaile, AZ. 3. Diné College Foundation Meeting from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Classroom 2, Diné College on September 16, 2019 at the Window Rock Center, Window Rock, AZ. 4. Diné College Annual Meeting, October 2, 2019 at 10 a.m., in Tsaile, AZ, Student Union Building. 5. Navajo Nation Council Fall Session, October 14-18, 2019. 6. 2nd Annual Diné College Scholarship Golf Tournament, March 14, 2020. 		
IX. Approval of Meeting Minutes & Work Session Minutes	Follow-Up Action	Responsible POC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 10, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, Tsaile, AZ. • May 24, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes, Flagstaff, AZ. 	Amend the minutes as	BOR Executive Assistant

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- June 28, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes, Window Rock, AZ.

Motion to approve by Regent Toadecheenie, and second by Regent Dennison.

Regent Bigman motions to amend May 10th minutes, under oral report #2 by removing “BOR” and correcting to “brown”; June 28th minutes, correct typo showing “recalls suggestion that changes are communicated concerning the organization structure”, seconded by Regent Toadecheenie.

Vote on approving motion: 6-0-0.

Vote on amending motion: 6-0-0.

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<p>X. Consent Items</p> <p>A. Action Items</p> <p>B. Written Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monty Roessel, President 2. Office of the Provost – Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost 2. Office of Finance and Accounting – Bo Lewis, Vice President 3. Office of External Affairs – Marie Nez, Vice President 4. Office of Student Affairs – Glennita Haskey, Vice President 5. Staff Association- Calvin Dominguez, SA President 6. Faculty Association- Jeannie Lewis, FA President <p>Regent Toadecheenie motions to approve the consent agenda items, second by Regent Thinn.</p> <p>Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.</p>		
<p>XI. Oral Reports</p>	<p>Follow-Up Action</p>	<p>Responsible POC</p>

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Office of the President – Dr. Roessel, President




Diné College President Dr. Roessel expressed appreciation to the students for their attendance. Dr. Roessel congratulates ASDC President, LeTanya Thinn, and her student representation on the board.

Provost Dr. Garrity reports she was invited to speak on current status of 4-year intuition at AZ Transfer Steering Committee meeting. The institutions present were Arizona State University (ASU), University of Arizona (UA) and Northern Arizona University (NAU) along with Diné College (DC). At the meeting the university level report they accept “D” grades as a passing level and accepts 32 credit degree levels.


Dr. Roessel expressed appreciation for Honorable Tso and Higher Education Human Services Committee (HEHSC) consideration on the endowment legislation oral report. A goal for next week to present the Diné College Charter amendments to the Navajo Nation Council for approval.

The Diné College President is seeking emergency funding of Title III funds. Work towards collaboration with ONNSFA in expanding scholarship opportunities for students. Chuska Initiative is looking at training modules for CLEPSY and expanding the influence of Diné College. Diné College hosted the Indian Affairs Committee Meeting and was allowed time with committee members. A business development position is to be hired with Title III funding.

A brief overview of the Gallup report includes graduates from National, Minority, and Alaskan Native students. Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU) institutions rank higher than other colleges in survey showing profession satisfaction of TCU graduates.

-  Regent Tso notes the order of the legislation requests have the 50 million then followed by 60 million request. Regent Tso states SIPI President reached out to Council members regarding her request to be included in the legislation.
-  Regent Thinn thanked the Dr. Roessel for sharing the Gallup report and states she identifies with the data, as a TCU student.
-  Regent Hatathlie asks about the identified challenges for online registration and

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<p>center registration. She expressed her concern on the percentage of student disbursements and charges. Regent Hatathlie notes there are some areas not submitting reports and that is noticed at board meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Director of IT, Ms. Thompson states she is working with Jenzabar to improve the online process. ○ VP Haskey recommends referring the students to Student Affairs when facing challenges. <p> Regent Bigman thanks the VP of External Affairs Ms. Nez and Marketing Director on the positive publicity and marketing of the college. The Board President, Regent Bigman supports Regent Hatathlie's mentioning of her concerns regarding reports. The governance committee is tasked to work on reports standards including a dashboard. A suggestion to consider having resource centers for students and navigating their educational goals and challenges.</p> <p>Regent Bigman motions for two directives prepare letter for endowment on impact of TCU's and consider moving forward with more faculty housing, second by Regent Hatathlie. Vote for directives: 6-0-1, Regent Hoskie abstains as he arrived after discussions therefore abstains from voting.</p>	<p>DIRECTIVES: Prepare letter for endowment on impact of TCU's and consider moving forward with more faculty housing, second by Regent Hatathlie.</p>	<p>Diné College President</p>
<p>1. Chris Balzano – NM Lobbyist</p> <p>Diné College hosted and presented before the Indian Affairs Committee with positive feedback from its members. Partnership with San Juan College to create a program to provide teacher certificate for northwestern region of New Mexico state. Other universities would assist their surrounding areas in addressing the Yazzie-Martinez lawsuit.</p> <p>Interest in the Horticulture Center and asked to work with Four Corners Economic Development in collaborating efforts made in the region. The college was invited to attend the legislative finance committee. Mr. Balzano mentions legislatures expressed</p>		

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<p>appreciation of work contributed to ensure tribal students would have access to NM Lottery Scholarships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ President Roessel advised changing the direction of the type of funding the college is targeting. ✚ Regent Tso recommends ensuring Diné College initiatives are included in the state taskforce. A recommendation for further outreach toward chapters and communities. <p>Regent Toadecheenie motions to accept the oral reports, seconded by Regent Hatathlie.</p> <p>Vote for approving motion 7-0-0.</p>		
<p>XII. Old Business There was no items for Old Business presented for this meeting.</p>		
<p>XIII. New Business</p> <p>Action Item “A” – <u>“Renewal of Memorandum of Agreement between Diné College and Navajo Nation Heritage and Historic Preservation Department effective January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021.”</u></p> <p>Regent Toadecheenie motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hatathlie. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: Regent Hatathlie motions to amend resolutions to include dates as January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021, second by Regent Dennison. Regent Bigman inquires of training noted within MOU. <i>Dr. Roessel affirms the NNHHPD does assist the college.</i></p> <p>Vote for amending motion: 7-0-0. Vote for approving motion: 7-0-0.</p>		

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- Action Item “B” – “Approving an Unrestricted General Fund Operating Budget for Diné College for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in the Amount of Twenty Three Million, Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-three Dollars (\$23,005,273).”

Regent Dennison motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hatathlie.
Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.

Discussion: An overall presentation from the OIPR staff demonstrating the budget aligns with the strategic objectives and goals; efficiency review and reinvestment discussions; and Vice President Bo Lewis on 2018-2019 year end and proposed budget. The Vice Presidents provided a briefing on their individual budgets.

- ✚ Regent Tso inquires if the reported data is self-study analysis. Sharonna advised yes. Regent Tso inquires of the transparency and communication completion rate. Director Velveena Davis shares the information is a performance measurement that covers completion of strategic goals and is focused on the identified projects.
- ✚ Regent Bigman comments on the culture of the organization. The development of employees will overall improve the environment that will directly impact students .
- ✚ Regent Toadecheenie request status of PassiveDom housing. *Bo advised still in progress and anticipates delivery in January 2020. Regent Toadecheenie inquires of overage percentage for the college. VP Lewis advises there is no overage with excess in departments covering any shortages.*
- ✚ Regent Hoskie asks about specifically about department budget cuts. *Dr. Roessel advised the funds are being reinvested in Tsaille Library renovation and replacing furniture in student dorms. In addition, the student worker salary increased to \$10 per hour and higher percentage for faculty entering professoriate status.* Regent Hoskie shares his prior experience as an adjunct faculty with classroom capacity not being met.
- ✚ Regent Bigman questions the expenditure of Indirect Cost (IDC) for grants. The college is in compliance but would like more information on the effectiveness of the funds. Regent Bigman asks if a prior analysis has been completed.

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- VP Lewis advises there are annual reports provided to the funding agencies.
- *Dr. Roessel advised the aligning of grants to the institutional goals, budget, and strategic planning. This effort is being made in advance of the focus and emphasis on an upcoming increase in institutional research.*
- *VP Nez states the recommendation for the IDC be under the Institutional Grants Office. The Grants committee works on policy, makes determination if the costs is allowable, and aligned to the institution. There is a Grants account that reviews PR and determines if the cost is allowable.*

Faculty Association President, Jeannie Lewis provided an introduction of Vice President, Angel DeSoto.

Lunch recess from 12:26 p.m. – 1:12 p.m.

Roll Call after lunch at 1:12 p.m.- Present: Regents Thinn, Hoskie, Dennison, Toadecheenie, and Bigman.

- ✚ Regent Dennison states concerning the Faculty Association (FA) states the budget is not communicated. *Provost Garrity advises the FA was in attendance at Provost meetings where budget was discussed.* Regent Bigman recommends being proactive in communicating with faculty by reaching out to them.

Regent Bigman motions for two (2) directives a revised budget with budget associated to initiatives; and clarification of IDC policies regarding expenditures, second by Regent Tso.

Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.

Vote for directives: 6-0-0.

- Action Item “C” – “Approving and Authorizing the Expenditure of \$221,820 (Two hundred twenty-one thousand eight hundred twenty dollars) for the Purchase and Implementation of the Virtual Systems and Disaster Recovery Equipment as the Diné

Directives: A revised budget with budget associated to initiatives. Clarification of IDC policies regarding expenditures.

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<p><u>College Enterprise Servers and Storage Environment.”</u></p> <p>Regent Dennison motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hoskie. Read into record by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: Director Thompson reports Sun State Technology provides backup services. The whole college was impacted for 14 hours and attempts to recover failed. A request for proposal was sent for the services requested. The benefits include lower operating costs, software driven, and virtual recovery managers available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Regent Toadecheenie asks if the disaster recovery plan is included in the purchase request. <i>Director Thompson advised the plan process is internalized and the department will be responsible for the backup, images, and replications to be performed.</i> ✚ Regent Tso inquires of any warranty of services and staff support available. <i>Director Thompson advised 3 year maintenance, support and training is provided including migration services.</i> <p>Vote for approving motion: 7-0-0.</p>		
<p>XII. Executive Session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regent Tso motions to enter executive, seconded by Regent Hatathlie entered at 2:13 p.m. Vote: 7-0-0. ▪ Regent Tso motions to exit executive session, seconded by Regent Dennison exited at 2:51 p.m. Vote: 7-0-0. 		
<p>XIII. Next Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board of Regents Annual Meeting Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 10 a.m. Proposed Location: TBA Tsaille, AZ ▪ Board of Regents Regular Meetings 		

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<p>Friday, November 8, 2019, 9 a.m. Proposed Location: 620C BOR Conference Room, NHC Building Tsaile, AZ</p>		
<p>XIV. Adjournment: Motioned to adjourn by Regent Toadecheenie, seconded by Regent Thinn. Vote: 7-0-0. Discussion: None. Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.</p>		
<p><i>Respectfully submitted by: Michelle Cury, Diné College Board of Regents Executive Assistant</i></p>		