



Diné College Board of Regents Regular Meeting

Diné College

Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 9:00 AM MDT

Ned Hatathli Building, 6th floor, BOR Conference room 620C, Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

1. Regent Dr. Janet Slowman, Chair, Appointed Member
2. Regent Dr. Maggie George, Vice Chair, Appointed Member
3. Regent Kimberlee Williams, Treasurer, Appointed Member
4. Regent Dr. Dolly Manson, Secretary, Appointed Member
5. Regent Ashleigh Chee, Associated Students of Diné College, Ex-Officio Member
6. Regent Dr. Andy Nez, Navajo Nation Council member, Ex-Officio Member
7. Regent Lorenzo Max, Faculty Association President, Designated Member

III. Invocation

IV. Moment of Silence: In honor and remembrance of Dr. Harry Walters (1943–2026), founding director of the Hatathli Museum at Diné College and revered Navajo historian.

V. Approval of Agenda

VI. Introduction of Guests and Staff

VII. Public Comments (Time Limit of 3 Minutes)

VIII. Announcements

- A. October 7, 2026, 10:00 AM MDT Diné College Annual Meeting
- B. October 12, 2026, Indigenous Peoples' Day
- C. November 11, 2026, Veterans Day

IX. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- A. July 10, 2026, Regular Meeting

X. Board Reports

A. Written Reports

1. Office of the President - Dr. Deborah Jackson-Dennison, President
 - a. Office of External Campuses
 - b. Office of Institutional Planning Reporting
 - c. Office of Legislative & Government Affairs
 - d. New Section

2. Office of Finance & Administration - Sharonna Yazzie-John, Vice President
3. Office of the Provost - Patrick Blackwater, Provost
4. Office of Institutional Advancement - Serena Denetsosie, Vice President
 - a. Development Office
 - b. Marketing & Communications
5. Chief Operating Officer Board Report
6. Office of Student Affairs - Glennita Haskey, Vice President
7. Faculty Association - Lorenzo Max, Faculty Association President

A report will be provided during the next scheduled board meeting as the onboarding for the new officers concludes.

B. Oral Reports

1. Office of the President

Presenter: Dr. Deborah Jackson-Dennison, Diné College President

2. Office of Finance & Administration

Presenter: Sharonna Yazzie-John, Vice President

- a. Board of Regents Budget Update
3. Associated Students of Diné College -Ashleigh Chee, President of Associated Students of Diné College
4. Faculty Association Reports - Lorenzo Max, Faculty Association President

XI. Consent - There are no items for this section.

XII. Old Business -

A. Action Item - "Approving the Schwab One Account Application For Incorporated Organizations Between Diné College and Charles Schwab Co. for Diné College Endowment Funds and Operating Cash Management Accounts."

B. Action Item - "Approval to increase the Diné College Board of Regent's approval limits thresholds from \$65,000 to \$150,000 and adjusting the amounts for each level of approval under the Procurement and Contract Administration section of the Diné College's Finance Policy and Procedures."

XIII. New Business

A. Ratification of the Board of Regents' Email Vote Approving Diné College's Participation in the American Indian College Fund (AICF) TCU Futures Project.

B. Action Item - "Authorization of Sharonna Yazzie-John, Vice President of Finance and Administration on Diné College Signatory for all funds and Diné College on deposit on Wells Fargo Bank of Arizona, N.A. of Window Rock, Arizona"

C. Action Item - Accepting and Approving the Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025, Prepared by KPMG.

D. Action Item - "Approving the Unrestricted General Fund Operating Budget for Diné College for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 in the Amount of Twenty-Five Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars (\$25,764,474)."

E. Action Item - "To Authorize and Approve the Submission of Diné College's School of STEM Grant Application for USDA Rural Development Funding, Including USDA Form RD 1942-8."

F. Action Item - "Approving Payment in the Matter of Thomas v. Diné College (NNLC-2024-009/ SC-CV-29-25)."

G. Action Item - "Approving Payment in the Matter of Bollinger v. Diné College (NNLC-2020-020/ SC-CV-28-25)."

XIV. Executive Session (If Deemed Necessary)

XV. Next Meeting Dates

A. Board of Regents Annual Meeting & Special Meeting

Date: October 7, 2026 (Wednesday)

Time: 10:00 AM MDT & 1 PM MDT *Respectively

Location: Tsaile Campus, Gymnasium, Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)

B. Board of Regents Regular Meeting

Date: November 13, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM MST

Location: Tsaile Campus, Ned Hatathli Building, 6th floor, Room 620C BOR Conference Room, Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)

XVI. Adjournment