

# Diné College Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Meeting		Friday, February 15, 2019
Present:	Greg Bigman, Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr. (arrived 9:59 a.m.), Devon Begay, Nelson S. BeGaye, Johnson Dennison, Anderson Hoskie (arrived 10:30 a.m.) (Quorum of <u>5</u> is met) <u>6</u> Regents in attendance.	Location: Diné College Tsaile Main Campus, BOR Conference Room 620C. Tsaile, AZ Time: 9:00 a.m.
Excused Absence:	Sharon Toadecheenie	
Absent:	Theresa Hatathlie	
Agenda		
February minutes approved on March 8, 2019. Motion: Regent Toadecheenie, Second: Regent Dr. Lewis. Vote: 6-0-0.		
<b>I. Call to Order:</b> Regent Bigman called the meeting to order at 9:57 a.m.		
<b>II. Roll Call:</b> Regent Begay conducts roll call.		
<b>III. Invocation:</b> Regent BeGaye provided the prayer for the meeting.		
<b>IV. Approval of Agenda</b>		<b>Follow-Up Action:</b>
<p>Motioned by Regent Dennison to amend and adopt the agenda, Seconded by Regent Begay.</p> <p>Discussion: Regent Bigman motioned to amend the agenda to add action items A-D as new business items, Seconded by Regent BeGaye.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item “A” - <u>Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the Arizona State Legislature to provide Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in funds for developmental education to help Arizona Navajo students become college ready.</u></li> <li>• Action Item “B” – <u>“Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the United States Congress to reauthorize the Diné College Act.”</u></li> <li>• Action Item “C” – <u>“Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the New Mexico State Legislature to fund Two Million Five Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$2,529,000) in capital projects for the Shiprock and Crownpoint</u></li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Revised agenda as noted.</b></li> </ul>
		<b>Responsible POC:</b>
		<b>BOR Executive Assistant</b>

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<p><u>campuses.”</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item “D” – <u>“Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the Department of Interior Indian Affairs Division of Facilities, Management and Construction to provide Diné College operation and maintenance costs as stipulated in the Diné College Act.”</u></li> </ul> <p><b>Vote on amending motion: 5-0-0.</b>  <b>Vote on approving motion: 5-0-0.</b></p>		
<p><b>V. Introduction of Guest and Staff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greg Bigman, BOR President</li> <li>• Johnson Dennison, BOR Member</li> <li>• Anderson Hoskie, BOR Member</li> <li>• Devon Begay, BOR Member</li> <li>• Nelson S. BeGaye, BOR Member</li> <li>• Dr. Monty Roessel, Diné College President</li> <li>• Michael Upshaw, Diné College Legal Representative</li> <li>• Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost</li> <li>• Marie Nez, Vice President of External Affairs</li> <li>• Audre Etsitty, Staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raquel Chee, Navajo Nation Judicial Branch- Grants Administrator</li> <li>• Barsine Benally, Faculty Association President</li> <li>• Jeannie M. Lewis, Faculty</li> <li>• Trisha Roy, Staff Association Secretary</li> <li>• Lorencita Willie, Student Intern</li> <li>• Merle Dayzie, Director of Human Resources</li> <li>• George Joe, Director of Marketing &amp; Communications</li> <li>• Velveena Davis, Executive Director OIPR</li> <li>• Crystal Cree, Policy Analyst</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VI. Public Comments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raquel Chee, Navajo Nation Judicial Branch Grants Administrator interested in partnership with Dine College and present today to initiate the process.</li> <li>• Barsine Benally states sacred ceremony announced publicly and should not be in the future.</li> <li>• Regent Dr. Lewis informs the importance of the Yazzie/Martinez vs. State of New Mexico decision.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>VII. Announcements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Achieving the Dream 2019 TCU’s, February 19-22, 2019, Long Beach, CA.</li> <li>▪ Board Retreat, Sunday-Monday, March 3-4, 2019, Fort Lewis College- Durango, CO.</li> <li>▪ Intercampus Day, March 8, 2019, Shiprock South Campus, Senator John Pinto Library, Shiprock, NM.</li> </ul>		

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- Higher Education Human Services (HEHSC) Committee meeting, Tuesday, February 19, 2019.
- NABI, Thursday,

VIII. Approval of Meeting Minutes & Work Session Minutes	Follow-Up Action	Responsible POC
<p>Work Session August 30, 2018 Tuba City, AZ</p> <p>Regular Meeting December 14, 2018 Tsaile, AZ</p> <p>Work Session &amp; Special September 21-22, 2018 Scottsdale, AZ</p> <p>Regular Meeting January 11, 2019 Tsaile, AZ</p> <p>Work Session &amp; Special November 16-17, 2018 Flagstaff, AZ</p> <p>Motioned by Regent Begay to approve minutes, Seconded by Regent Dennison. Discussion: There was no additional discussion held to approve the minutes.</p> <p><b>Vote on approving motioned: 5-0-0.</b></p>		
IX. Reports	Follow-Up Action	Responsible POC
Oral Reports		
<p><b>1. Office of the President – Dr. Roessel, President</b></p> <p>The Office of the President is making efforts to seek \$2 million for an agriculture center &amp; AgriHub in Shiprock. The initiative will provide classrooms at the farm. Yazzie/ Martinez Bill identifies that UNM and New Mexico State University specifically. Diné College was contacted to assist with the college’s existing programs to meet their grant requirements. The college is focusing on meeting that need. The College is looking at the Diné College Act to focus on O&amp;M reports. The college is working to seek the funds based on those updated detailed reports. The remedial education bill SB-1266 moved</p>		

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<p>through the Higher Education and Workforce Committee by a vote of 7-0-0. Regent Hatathlie was present and discussed the need for remedial education. Dr. Roessel acknowledges the Regent BeGaye in the Health and Education Human Services Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Regent Dr. Lewis affirms the impact of NM Lobbyist, Chris Balzano and acknowledges Dr Roessel in enlisting him for the college.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>2. Faculty Association – Barsine Benally, Faculty Association President</b></p> <p>Faculty representation per standing committee is back to two representatives per school according to standing committee officers.</p> <p>Faculty Association President provides update on faculty ranking. She advises a meeting held in December with the Association, Provost and HR. There is a change from multitier review process and exclude the primary review team from the process. The portfolio will go directly to Dean of Schools where they will make the review of the portfolios and recommend rank.</p> <p>Faculty Association President Ms. Benally acknowledges Dr. Kien and Dr. Wolf in providing professional development training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Regent Bigman requests for action items at faculty association meetings to be included within their written report.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>3. Associated Students of Diné College Report - Devon Begay, Associated Students of Diné College President</b></p> <p>Associated Students of Diné College President reports the first meeting was held yesterday, February 14, 2019. The approval of \$250 for each of the listed clubs: Green Club, American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Club, Azee’ Bee Nahaghá Club, Archery Club was the first action item that was on the agenda and approved. A mention of list of clubs that have turned in applications that submitted applications but lacked minutes and bylaws. The approval pends on those requested documents.</p>		

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Written Reports		Follow-Up Action:	Responsible POC
<p><b>1. Office of the President – Dr. Roessel, President</b>  <b>a. Project and Operations Report</b></p>	<p>Motioned by Regent Hoskie to accept oral &amp; written reports, Seconded by Regent Dennison.  <b>Vote: 6-0-0.</b></p>		
<p><b>2. Office of the Provost – Dr. Geraldine Garrity, Provost</b></p>			
<p><b>3. Office of Finance and Accounting – Bo Lewis, VP</b></p>			
<p><b>4. Office of Student Affairs – Glennita Haskey, VP</b></p>			
<p><b>5. Office of External Affairs – Marie Nez, VP</b></p>			
<p><b>6. Staff Association- Calvin Dominguez, SA President</b></p>			
<p><b>7. Faculty Association- Barsine Benally, FA President</b></p>			
<p><b>X. Old Business</b>            There was no items for Old Business presented for this meeting.</p>			
<p><b>XI. New Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item 1 “A” - <u>Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the Arizona State Legislature to provide Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in funds for developmental education to help Arizona Navajo students become college ready.</u></li> </ul> <p><b>Regent Begay motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hoskie.</b>            Read into record by Regent Begay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Regent Bigman calls point of order acknowledging for the record arrival of Regent Hoskie’s at 10:30 a.m.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion: Dr. Roessel discussed the intent of the resolution is to engage the tribal leadership with the college’s initiatives. The college will seek a letter of support from the Navajo Nation Council and continue to pursue a resolution as supporting documentation for the state legislative request.</p> <p><b>Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.</b></p>		<p>Correct grammatical errors in listing amounts within resolution &amp; “n/a” in blank sections of authorization form.</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item 2 “B” – <u>“Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the United States Congress to reauthorize the Diné College Act.”</u></li> </ul> <p><b>Regent Lewis motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent BeGaye.</b>  Read into record by Regent Begay  Discussion: Regent Bigman inquires if the Diné College Act funding considered an entitlement. Dr. Roessel indicates the resolution will address a clause within stating pending on available funds.</p> <p><b>Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.</b></p>	<p>Correct grammatical errors in listing amounts within resolution &amp; “n/a” in blank sections of authorization form.</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item 3 “C” - <u>Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the New Mexico State Legislature to fund Two Million Five Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$2,529,000) in capital projects for the Shiprock and Crownpoint campuses.</u></li> </ul> <p><b>Regent Begay motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hoskie.</b>  Read into record by Regent Begay  Discussion: Regent Bigman recommends obtaining letter of support from the local chapter, eastern agency for supporting documentation.</p> <p><b>Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.</b></p>	<p>Correct grammatical errors in listing amounts within resolution &amp; “n/a” in blank sections of authorization form.</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action Item 4 “D” – <u>“Approval of a Resolution requesting the Navajo Nation Council support Diné College’s request to the Department of Interior Indian Affairs Division of Facilities, Management and Construction to provide Diné College operation and maintenance costs as stipulated in the Diné College Act.”</u></li> </ul> <p><b>Regent Dennison motioned to approve resolution, seconded by Regent Hoskie.</b></p>	<p>Correct grammatical errors in listing amounts within resolution &amp; “n/a” in blank sections of authorization form.</p>	<p>BOR Executive Assistant</p>

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<p>Read into record by Regent Begay          Discussion: There was discussion on whether Diné College facilities inventory would be added to the Navajo Nation inventory. There was consensus statements to remove from the resolution keeping options open. Regent Dr. Lewis motioned to strike Whereas #9, seconded by Regent BeGaye</p> <p><b>Vote for approving motion: 6-0-0.</b>  <b>Vote for amending motion: 6-0-0.</b></p>		
<p><b>XII. Executive Session:</b>          Regent BeGaye motioned to enter executive session, seconded by Regent Dennison. The Board of Regents entered executive session at 11:32 a.m.</p> <p>Regent Hoskie motioned to exit executive session, seconded by Regent Dennison. The Board of Regents exit executive session at 12:48 p.m.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">➤ There was no action items reported upon exiting the executive session.</p>		
<p><b>XIII. Next Meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board of Regents Retreat              Sunday-Monday, March 3-4, 2019.              Time: TBD.              Proposed Location: Vallecito Classroom, Student Union Building, Fort Lewis College Campus.              Durango, CO</li>   <li>▪ Board of Regents Regular Meeting              Friday, March 8, 2019, 9 a.m.              Proposed Location: Classroom 110, General Classroom Building, Shiprock South Campus.              Shiprock, NM</li> </ul>		

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### XIV. Adjournment:

**Motioned to adjourn by Regent Lewis, seconded by Regent Hoskie.**

**Vote: 6-0-0.**

Discussion: There was no additional discussion during adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by: Michelle Cury, Diné College Board of Regents Executive Assistant*