

# Diné College Board of Regents Special Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Special Meeting		Date: Saturday, September 22, 2018
Present:	Greg Bigman (arrived at 2:42 p.m.), Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr., Johnson Dennison, Sharon Toadecheenie, Theresa Hatathlie (Quorum of <u>4</u> is met) <u>5</u> Regents in attendance.	Location: Apache I Conference Room. Scottsdale, AZ Time: 2:00 p.m.
Absent:	Anderson Hoskie, Nelson BeGaye	

## Agenda

**September 22, 2018 Special minutes approved on February 15, 2019. Motion by Regent Begay, second by Regent Dennison. Vote: 5-0-0.**

**I. Call to Order:** Regent Hatathlie called the meeting to order at 2:36 p.m.

**II. Roll Call:** Regent Dr. Lewis conducted the roll call.

**III. Invocation:** Regent Dennison conducted prayer for this meeting.

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda by Regent Dr. Lewis, second by Regent Toadecheenie.

**Vote on approving motion: 5-0-0.**

**Follow-Up Action:**

**Responsible POC:**

**V. Approved Items:**

1. **Action Item “A”** – Approving an Unrestricted General Fund Operating Budget for dine College for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 in the Amount of Twenty Two Million, Eight Hundred Twenty Six Thousand, and Four Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$22,826,452).

Motion by Regent Toadecheenie to recall, seconded by Regent Hatathlie. The items was previously read into record.

**Discussion:** Vice President Lewis reports in 2017-2018 that the budget was 22 million. There was an increase of 2.8 million \$761,137 to overall budget distributed 33% Academics, 11% President, 11% Public Relations/ Marketing, 25% Student Affairs, and 20% Finance & Administration.

✚ Regent Bigman thanked VP Lewis for showing the general fund alongside the restricted funds.

**Directive to identify projects, scholarship costs, and fundraising initiatives.**

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- Dr. Roessel mentions the work session held yesterday revealed a Title III increase of \$417,000 this year.
- ✚ Regent Bigman questioned if the indirect costs is distributed to other areas. VP Lewis advised the policy is in process for standardizing how the funds can be spent and aligning with the grants restrictions.

**Regent Bigman motions for a directive to identify projects, scholarship costs, and fundraising initiatives. Second by Regent Dr. Lewis. Vote: 5-0-0.**

**Vote for approving motion: 5-0-0.**

2. **Action Item “A” – Approving updates and revisions to the Dine College Charter [10 NNC § 2003 (2005)] for consideration and approval by the Navajo Nation Council.**

Motion by Regent Dennison to recall item, seconded by Regent Hatathlie. The items were previously read into records.

**Discussion:** The legal edits provided by College attorney were read into record by the Board of Regents’ executive assistant.

**Amendment 1**, Subsection 2003. Section C. 1, D2. Striking foundation chairperson and including Higher-Ed background with experience. (Misabeled on blue line edit as “6”), adding “d.” to include Higher Ed Background with experience.

**Amendment 2**, Subsection 2003. Section C4, referencing *special interest appointments and NN President*. #4, “Upon presentation of demonstrated need and at the request of a Board of Regents member through a resolution.

**Amendment 3**, Subsection 2003. Section C4, *striking “member”.*

**Directive to have finalize written on-boarding procedures, evaluation disclosure and transparency of board members, and solidify regent mentorship through governance committee.**

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<p>#4, "Upon presentation of demonstrated need and at the request of the Board of Regents <del>member</del> through a resolution.</p> <p>✚ Regent Dr. Lewis requests an update on the previous meeting on the Charter revisions, as he had an excused absence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Regent Bigman recounts prior discussion: the voting privileges are with the appointed regents that are confirmed by the Navajo Nation Council. The non-voting board members would support the college's needs and appointed by Board of Regents resolution. Regents reopened the question the student voting privileges.</li> <li>○ Regent Toadecheenie states there may be a perceived conflict of interest with student voting privileges. The perception of having power over staff and faculty may be a liability. Regent Toadecheenie states her concerns with executive session and recommends removal for confidential personnel information.</li> <li>○ Ms. Felisha Adams shared her personal experience would support continuation of the student's voting privileges within the board.</li> <li>○ A consensus was reached by all members to continue voting privileges for student representative and the student voice is valued.</li> </ul> <p><b>Regent Hatathlie motions for directive to have finalize written on-boarding procedures, evaluation disclosure and transparency of board members, and solidify regent mentorship through governance committee, second by Regent Dennison. Vote: 5-0-0.</b></p> <p><b>Vote for amending motion: 5-0-0.</b>  <b>Vote for approving motion: 5-0-0.</b></p>		
<p><b>VI. Executive Session:</b>  This meeting did not require an executive session.</p>		

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<p><b>VII. Next Meeting:</b>          Board of Regents Annual Meeting          Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 10 a.m.          Proposed Location: Dine College Tsaile Campus, Student Union Building, Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)</p> <p>Board of Regents Regular Meeting          Friday, October 12, 2018, 9:00 a.m.          Proposed Location: Dine College Tsaile Campus, 620C Conference Room, Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)</p>		
<p><b>VIII. Adjournment:</b>          Motion to adjourn by Regent Toadecheenie. Seconded by Regent Hatathlie.  <b>Vote: 5-0-0.</b>  <b>Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.</b></p>		

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