

Diné College Board of Regents Special Meeting Minutes

Diné College Board of Regents Special Meeting		Date: Friday, May 3, 2018
Present:	Greg Bigman, Dr. Tommy Lewis Jr., Anderson Hoskie, Felisha Adams, Nelson S. BeGaye, Johnson Dennison, Sharon Toadecheenie (Quorum of <u>5</u> is met) <u>7</u> Regents in attendance.	Location: Diné College Tsaile Main Campus, Room 620C Tsaile, AZ Time: 2:00 p.m.
Absent:	Theresa Hatathlie	

Agenda

May 3, 2018 minutes approved on August 10, 2018. Motion by Regent Dennison, Second by Regent Toadecheenie. Vote: 6-0-0.

I. Call to Order: Regent Bigman called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call: Regent Dr. Lewis.

III. Invocation: An acknowledgement that Regent Dennison conducted prayer in earlier work session.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Regent Dr. Lewis. Second by Regent Hoskie.

Motion to amend agenda by Regent Adams remove “approving” Item # 2 and add item #6 full title: Approval of a Diné College resolution reaffirming the college participation in the Achieve the Dream program for year five & strike “resolution forthcoming”, add Item #7: Approving a Proposal to the Navajo Nation Council in the amount of \$14.3 million to assist in funding the construction of student and faculty housing and wellness center for Diné College at the Tsaile, Arizona campus as part of an overall project of \$28,000,000. Seconded by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Vote on amending motion: 7-0-0.

Vote on approving motion: 7-0-0.

Follow-Up Action:

- Update agenda with noted amendment.

Responsible POC:

BOR Executive Assistant

V. Approved Items:

1. **Action Item “A”** - Approving and Authorizing Diné College to enter into an agreement with Navajo Preparatory School. Subject: Dual Credit.

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Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Motion to approve resolution by Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Dennison.

Discussion:

- + Regent Toadecheenie questions wording under agreement under Part #2 Specific Provisions of Agreement, A. 2. “Responsibility of Funding Dual Credit” items “a-c” and requests presenter to clarify the return investment.
 - o The pathway to Navajo Preparatory School (NPS) designed to help students take NIS courses and it aligns with NPS motto & mission. Navajo Leadership Certificate and offered online. The section regarding the books
- + Regent Bigman asks if the MOA is standard template.
 - o Ms. Jumbo confirms is the approved template for state of New Mexico and Diné College dual credit guide book.
- + Regent Dr. Lewis questions the waiving of fees to determine which entity would be responsible for paying the fees (Part 2, “A” Agreement). *Dr. Roessel clarified with Ms. Jumbo in agreeance that the fees are paid by the State. Ms. Jumbo advises the MOA is State approved and no other agreements can be used.*
- + Regent BeGaye- requests publicizing and highlighting efforts of the college preparing high school students for their higher education. This will help with overall reporting of Diné College.
 - o Dr. Roessel reports the dual credit program was realigned to optimize students fully utilizing those credits toward degrees. The changes align with HLC Requirements and meet the needs of participating high schools.

Vote for approving motion: 7-0-0.

2. **Action Item “B”** - Approving and Authorizing Diné College to enter

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<p><u>into an agreement with Los Lunas Schools. Subject: Dual Credit.</u></p> <p>Motion to approve resolution by Regent BeGaye, seconded by Regent Dennison.</p> <p>Discussion: Regent Toadecheenie notes the agreement does not have the Los Lunas authorized signature. Ms. Jumbo notes after the board approves the necessary signatures will be provided.</p> <p>Vote for approving motion: 7-0-0.</p> <p>3. Action Item “C” - <u>Approving and Authorizing Diné College to enter into an agreement with Central Consolidated School District. Subject: Dual Credit.</u></p> <p>Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis.</p> <p>Motion to approve resolution by Regent BeGaye, seconded by Regent Adams.</p> <p>Discussion: Ms. Jumbo worked with high school faculty in developing pathway specific to CCSD. It includes first and second year tracks. The courses offered are within the health education program. The location of the south campus is favorable to the students and instructions. Foresees, the challenge of providing equal opportunities across the Navajo Nation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Regent Bigman recommends considering internship opportunities and directive ensuring preference of dual credit students to those internships. ✚ Regent Bigman motions for directive to provide students participating to the pathway program preference to the Public Health Internship with Diné College. Second by Regent BeGaye. Vote: 7-0-0. <p>4. Action Item “D” - <u>Approving Diné College Land Grant Office proposal submission to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Community Facility Grant Program- Tribal</u></p>	<p>DIRECTIVE: Provide students participating to the pathway program preference to the Public Health Internship with Diné College.</p> <p>Tabled resolution so it can be submitted with the proposal.</p>	<p>Resolution Sponsor and President</p> <p>Resolution Sponsor</p>
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<p><u>College Initiative Grants to conduct Phase I of Tsaile Campus Demonstration Farm to establish livestock handling and informal community outreach facility.</u></p> <p>Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis.</p> <p>Motion to approve resolution by Regent BeGaye, seconded by Regent Toadecheenie.</p> <p>Discussion: The resolution is required for part of the submission process. The grant has been in-progress and originally allocated for Shiprock site. Due to delay of Shiprock water-line repairs resulted in site relocation for the grant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Regent BeGaye inquired of title including “conduct” versus proposing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson advised the resolution request for the approval of the submission. + Regent Adams and Bigman questioned the proposal. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson handed a summary and informed the Regent that she is still working on the proposal. + Regent Bigman inquired if there is an animal care protocol. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson advised she can and would be willing to create one. + Regent Hoskie asked if there is insurance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson informs of the Navajo Nation Risk Management coverage. + Regent Toadecheenie asks of the current grant process. Also, requests details for the matching funds of 5%. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson reports initial discussion and next week will be a formal meeting to complete the application. The use of United States Endowment for matching funds. + Regent Adams inquires if any job creation from this grant initiative. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ms. Litson report that the grant can support intern support, construction, and facilities. + Regent Bigman motions for directive the College President to 	<p>DIRECTIVE: College President to evaluation of fees for services provided. Seconded by Regent Adams.</p> <p>Tabled resolution to resubmit with proposal and revise from “conduct” to propose.</p>	<p>Resolution Sponsor and President</p> <p>Resolution Sponsor</p>
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<p>evaluation of fees for services provided. Seconded by Regent Adams.</p> <p>✚ Regent Bigman motions to table resolution. Second by Regent Adams.</p> <p>Vote for amending motion: 7-0-0. Vote tabling motion: 7-0-0.</p> <p>5. Action Item “E” - <u>Approval of a Professoriate for faculty of Diné College and a faculty ranking process that values all faculty at the college.</u></p> <p>Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis. Motion to approve resolution by Regent Adams, seconded by Regent BeGaye.</p> <p>Discussion: Dr. Roessel request to table and reports due to no quorum at the Faculty Association meeting. The vote was 9 in favor and 1 opposed. The discussion can occur today and request for approval at the May 11th Board Meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Willetto advised the work has been completed by the taskforce . The task force consists of two faculty members, one staff member, and an administrator. It is currently under the faculty association review and approval. The taskforce is seeking FA resolution to support resolution. He does recognize there are questions and is focused to respond to obtain buy-in. • Dr. Roessel confirms the resolution approves the system and then the process is separate. <p>✚ Regent Bigman request committee structure and composition details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Willetto responds. The process will require applying for the status. The criteria and structure will be based on the specific schools. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Tabled resolution to obtain Faculty Association vote to be included as an attachment.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Resolution Sponsor</p>
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- FA President, Ms. Barsine Benally, confirms majority support and will have meeting held tomorrow for official vote. The questions held were primarily cultural from non-Navajo faculty. Time was dedicated in explaining cultural information.

Motion to table resolution by Regent Dr. Lewis. Second by Regent Toadecheenie. Vote: 7-0-0.

6. **Action Item “F”** - Approval of a Diné College resolution reaffirming the college participation in the Achieve the Dream (ATD) program for its fifth year.

Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Motion to approve resolution by Regent Toadecheenie, seconded by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Discussion: Regent Bigman informs the regents of the college request for board support on this initiative. An acknowledgment was given to the prior Board of Regents for starting this program.

Regent Bigman motions to amend resolution title to reflect “it’s fifth year”, Item #4 revise to “utilized”, Item #3, spell out “4” to “four”. Reference the abbreviation ATD, Therefore #1, wording to match title revision. Second by Regent Adams.

Vote for approving resolution: 7-0-0.

Vote for amending motion: 7-0-0.

7. **Action Item “G”** - Approving a Proposal to the Navajo Nation Council in the amount of \$14.3 million to assist in funding the construction of student and faculty housing and wellness center for Diné College at the Tsaile, Arizona campus as part of an overall project of \$28,000,000

Tabled resolution to revise resolution to clearly outlining the cost for each phases.

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Read into record by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Motion to approve resolution by Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Dr. Lewis.

Discussion: Dr. Lewis requested clarification of the amounts noted within the title. *Dr. Roessel confirms the total building cost would be 28 million with 14.3 from Síhasin, 9.3 million from NHA, with 4 million from Diné College. The proposal includes revision after work session discussions.*

- Ms. Cree, Policy Analyst, working on this proposal and provided an update to the Board of Regents. The College made a presentation to the Síhasin committee and increased the proposed amount based the meeting. A recommendation to submit an application was shared during a meeting with NHA. Ms. Cree makes her recommendation to work directly with NHA board for our request for an opportunity of expediting. The O&M costs have been included in the proposal.

✚ Regent BeGaye concerned of Phase 1 within title and #13. The title should match in Therefore be it Resolved section. The sources of the funds clearly noted. A request to clearly outlining the cost for each phases.

- Dr. Roessel will prepare for the next Síhasin meeting.
- Ms. Cree refers to page 5-6 for breakdown details.
 - Regent BeGaye suggest page 6, could be identified as drawdown schedule.

Motion to table resolution by Regent BeGaye. Second by Regent Toadecheenie. Vote: 7-0-0.

The Gala date has been selected as September 22, 2018 at Scottsdale Resort.

Regent Bigman motions for directive for president to work with Board President in formulation of committees. Second by Regent

DIRECTIVE: College President to work with Board President in formulation of committees.

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BeGaye. Vote for directive: 7-0-0.		
VI. Executive Session: This meeting did not require an executive session.		
VII. Next Meeting: Board of Regents Regular Meeting Friday, May 11, 2018, 7:00 a.m. Proposed Location: Tsaile Campus, 620C Conference Room Tsaile, Navajo Nation (AZ)		
VIII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Regent Dr. Lewis. Seconded by Regent Adams. Vote: 7-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.		

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