



**Board of Trustees**  
**MINUTES – Regular Meeting**

Date: September 22, 2021, at 5:30P.M.

Location: Navajo Prep School (virtual)

**Board Members Present:** Matthew Tso, Anderson Yazzie, Jr., Charley Long, Sr., Sherrick Roanhorse,  
and Student Ad Hoc Board Member: Ajahrain Yellowhair

**I-III. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Invocation**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by the Board President, Matthew Tso. All four elected board members were present for a quorum and the Student Ad Hoc member Ajahrain Yellowhair was also present. Recording Secretary, Yvette Escojeda announced the roll call.

The invocation was provided by the Board of Trustees member, Mr. Charley Long, Sr.

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

The proposed agenda for Wednesday, September 22nd, was approved with one request from the Head of School to add an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

NPS Motion/Second: Anderson Yazzie, Jr./ Charley Long, Sr.

Motion carried 4-0-0

**V. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the August 24<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting were approved with no changes.

NPS Motion/Second: Anderson Yazzie, Jr./Charley Long, Sr.

Motion carried 4-0-0

**VI. Introduction of Guests, Public Comments & Announcements**

The Board of Trustees introduced themselves and the Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti introduced the Administration Team members, Community Member-Craig Sandoval, Camille White (employee) Rachel Brown (parent) was also in attendance.

Parent addressed a transportation request, and NPS responded that a cost analysis would need to be completed.

Announcements: Board Member Sherrick Roanhorse announced he was enjoying the AISES conference and enjoying seeing how involved our students are in the conference. Mr. Roanhorse mentioned that he will continue with the Residential School Discussion Meetings in October.

**VII. Reports**

**A. Head of School**, Shawna A. Becenti gave a quick update on current projects, and also gave an update on the resolutions that still need to go before the chapters of Chinle, and Crownpoint. Chinle's resolution will take place on October 9, 2021, for the five year Re-authorization.

**B. Dean of Student and Community Engagement**, Darah Tabrum gave an update with the School Based Health Centers student surveillance testing project.

**C. Student Senate President** gave an update on the September meetings and planning for Homecoming. The Student Ad Hoc board member also mentioned the student's feedback with the dining service's food. The Head of School suggested that the student Ad Hoc Member reach out to the Food Service's Director and come up with some options.

**VIII. Unfinished Business**

**A. Discussion: Return to School (RTS) Plan**

Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti and Darah Tabrum updated the group on some small additions to the July 2021 Return to School Plan.

**IX. New Business**

**A. Resolution Approval: MOU New Mexico MESA**

Head of School Shawna A. Becenti notified the Board of Trustees of the MOU with the NM MESA program. NPS has been affiliated with the NM MESA program for the last ten years and we would like to move forward with the continued partnership.



1 **XII. Future Business, Next Meeting Date & Adjournment**

2 The next regular meeting for the Board will take place on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM Central Standard Time  
3 and will continue to be held virtually for the public in accordance with the Navajo Nation stay-at-home  
4 ordinances.

5 The meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Motion Carried 4-0-0

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9 **Minutes approved on 10/14/2021.**

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12 M/S Charley Long, Sr./Anderson Yazzie, Jr.



**Matthew Tso, President**