



4 **Board Members Present:** Sherrick Roanhorse, Matthew Tso, Anderson Yazzie, Jr., Charley Long, Sr.

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

7 The meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM by the Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse. Three elected
8 board members were present for a quorum. Recording Secretary, Yvette Escojeda announced roll call in
9 which the majority of the board members were present. The fourth board member joined at 9:14 AM.

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11 **IV. Approval of Agenda**

12 The proposed agenda for Thursday, July 30th was approved with no changes.

13 NPS Motion/Second: Charley Long, Sr./Matthew Tso

Motion carried 3-0-1

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15 **V. Approval of Minutes**

16 The minutes for June 11th were approved with no changes. The minutes for July 10th were approved with a
17 request which included an error in the board secretary's notes in regards to the votes. The voting should be
18 changed from affirmative-negative-abstained (ex. 3-0-1). The board secretary will make necessary changes.

19 NPS Motion/Second: Charley Long, Sr./Matthew Tso

Motion carried 3-0-1

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21 **VI. Introduction of Guests, Public Comments and Announcements**

22 Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse expressed his appreciation for the teamwork the NPS Admin Team has
23 put forth hosting the Virtual Townhall, which boasted over 175 participants from the community who had
24 joined. Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse expressed his condolences for Mr. Charley Long, Sr.'s recent
25 loss of his sister. Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse announced that the 2020 Navajo Nation School Board
26 applications will be due August 10, 2020. Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti announced that the All Staff
27 Back to School Orientation will be held on August 12th. Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse requested wi-
28 fi hot spots for two of our board members. IB Coordinator, Donna Fernandez announced that an NPS alumni
29 had been recently featured in an MSN article.

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31 **VII. Reports**

32 **A. Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti**

33 Shawna A. Becenti gave updates on workshops she has been attending. Shawna has also been heavily
34 working on the two major grants: Native American Demonstration Grant and the Native American Language
35 grant which are due at the end of the month. Shawna has been coordinating the All Staff Back to School
36 Orientation and organizing the 2020-21 Core Team.

37 **B. Academic, Keith Neil**

38 Dean of Instruction, Keith Neil has been working with faculty learning about online teaching and has been
39 busy with professional development. Athletics Director, Rainy Crisp shared the details of the Athletics Return
40 to School Plan. Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse expressed his appreciation for the efforts of the Dean
41 of Student Life, Leland Becenti, and Rainy Crisp with their input during the virtual Townhall.

42 **C. Budget Report, Remick Rappleye**

43 Director of Finance, Remick Rappleye gave an update on the NPS investments portfolio, and the recent
44 Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) finances while also explaining the PPP Forgiveness Program. *Remick will*
45 *research the Navajo Nation Corporation Certification.*

46 **D. Food Services, Ty White**

47 Food Services Manager, Ty White gave an update on cafeteria practices.

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49 **VIII. Unfinished Business**

50 **A. Resolution Approval:** Amending the 2020-2021 Board of Trustees By-Laws and Policies

51 Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti updated the group on the review of the By-Laws by legal counsel. NPS
52 legal counsel only addressed small grammatical errors which were corrected.

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

Motion carried 4-0-0

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IX. New Business

A. Approval: Updated Academic Calendar SY 2020-21

Dean of Instruction, Keith Neil requested minor changes on the updated school calendar: (1) four (4) day school day schedule, (2) the transition of online classes, and the (3) current calendar shows a school start date of August 9th, changed to August 18th. Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse requested *adding language of “* subject to change per public health orders.”*

NPS Motion/Second: Anderson Yazzie, Jr./Matthew Tso

Motion carried 4-0-0

B. Approval Resolution: The CARES ACT BIE Direct Funds and The CARES Act. ESSR Funds Budget

Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti read the resolution requesting approval of the CARES ACT BIE Direct Funds and The CARES Act. ESSR Funds budget prepared by the Director of Finance. The total allocated amount is \$1,025,190. The documents will be uploaded to the BIE Native Star web portal.

NPS Motion/Second: Matthew Tso/Anderson Yazzie, Jr.

Motion carried 4-0-0

C. Approval Resolution: Certificate of Authority with Investment Account with Edward Jones

Director of Finance, Remick Rappleye read the resolution requesting approval from the Board of Trustees to add the Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti and the Director of Finance, Remick Rappleye as authorized representatives with full access to all accounts with Edward Jones.

NPS Motion/Second: Charly Long, Sr./Matthew Tso

Motion carried 4-0-0

X. Personnel

A. Approvals: New Hires

B. Temporary/Emergency Hires

C. Approvals: Temporary/Emergency Hires

D. Approval: Reclassification of position

E. Approval: Title Change and Request for Salary Increase

Director of Human Resources, Ada Wilson read a memo of HR Recommendations. Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti noted that item C was necessary to assist with upgrades throughout campus and item D was needed for additional assigned duties. The board agreed to group items A through E together for voting purposes.

NPS Motion by Charley Long, Sr./Matthew Tso

Motion Carried 4-0-0

XI. Travel - N/A


XII. Future Business, Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

The next regular meeting for the Board will be held on Thursday, August 27th, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. via Zoom in accordance with the State and Navajo Nation stay at home ordinances.

The meeting adjourned at 10:53 A.M.

Motion Carried 4-0-0

Minutes approved on 08/27/2020.



Sherrick Roanhorse, President

Minutes prepared by: Yvette Escojeda