



**Board of Trustees**  
**MINUTES – Special Meeting**  
October 30, 2020 @ 2:30 P.M.

4 **Board Members Present:** Sherrick Roanhorse, Matthew Tso, Anderson Yazzie, Jr., Charley Long, Sr.  
5 Student Ad Hoc: Cade Allison

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

7 The meeting was called to order at 2:33PM by the Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse. All elected board  
8 members were present for a quorum. Recording Secretary, Yvette Escojeda announced roll call in which the  
9 majority of the board members were present. The invocation was provided by Anderson Yazzie, Jr.  
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11 **IV. Approval of Agenda**

12 The proposed agenda for Friday, October 30th was approved with no changes.  
13 NPS Motion/Second: Matthew Tso/Anderson Yazzie, Jr. **Motion carried 4-0-0**  
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15 **V. Approval of Minutes – N/A**

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

17 Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti announced that our school’s legal counsel Ms. Patty Williams will join  
18 us. We also had a parent join our meeting along with our cafeteria staff.  
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21 **VII. Reports – N/A**

22 **VII. Unfinished Business – N/A**

23 **IX. New Business**

24 **A. Discussion: Navajo Nation School Board Elections**

25 School Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse announced that the Navajo Nation court system has put the  
26 November 3<sup>rd</sup>, School Board Elections on hold due to a recent court filing. Our legal counsel gave some  
27 background regarding the situation and asked Navajo Preparatory School what is our stance on the issue.  
28 Ms. Williams mentioned that because NPS is named in the court filing, NPS has three options: (1) No stand,  
29 just stay neutral, (2) Support the Navajo Nation, (3) or support the plaintiff in the case. The case is  
30 summarized as the plaintiff states the recent School Board Reapportionment plan was not just.  
31 The Board of Trustees agreed to move forward and support the Navajo Nation, and requested legal  
32 counsel to file the proper Writ.  
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34 NPS Motion/Second: Charley Long, Sr./ Anderson Yazzie, Jr. **Motion carried 4-0-0**  
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38 **X. Personnel – N/A**

39 **XI. Travel – N/A**

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

41 The next regular meeting for the Board will continue as the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM, which  
42 will be November 17, 2020. The School Board meetings will continue to be held virtually in accordance with  
43 the State and Navajo Nation stay at home ordinances.  
44 The meeting adjourned at 4:07P.M.  
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48 Minutes approved on 11/17/2020.

  
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49 **M/S:** Anderson Yazzie, Jr./ Matthew Tso

**Sherrick Roanhorse, President**

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51 **Minutes prepared by:** Yvette Escojeda  
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