



Board of Trustees

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Date: December 16, 2021 @ 1:00 PM

Location: Farmington Civic Center, Anasazi Board Room and 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 1:16 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 Thursday, December 16th, was approved with no changes

NPS Motion/Second: Sherrick Roanhorse/ Charley Long, Sr. Motion carried 4-0-0

V. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November 16th, 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.

Head of School announced that Navajo Prep is on the agenda for reauthorization for the Western Agency Council meeting on December 18th. Head of School announced that performance incentives will be presented to the Board of Trustees.

VII. Reports

- A. Head of School,** Shawna A. Becenti gave a quick update on current projects such as the rebranding project, there has been a survey sent to the community to pick a new logo which will be presented in the January meeting. Head of School gave an update on the recent walk thru by the Master Planning group.
- B. Dean of Instruction,** Keith Neil gave an update that the recent robotics competition. He announced that he is doing walk thru cycles with teachers, Senior student contract meetings with their parents, and ordering bleachers for the gym.
- C. Director of Finance,** Malinda Fowler gave a presentation on investments. She updated the group on the audit for SY 2020-21. She agreed that she will invite the Board of Trustees to any upcoming investment meetings.
- D. Director of the Dine Institute,** Kevin Belin updated the group on the Hogan timeline, the Hogan should be complete by early April. He is currently working on landscaping plans for the Hogan area which a grant was received. He gave an update on the Navajo language app that he has been working on.
- E. Dean of Student and Community Engagement,** Darah Tabrum announced that the surveillance testing is going well. Ms. Tabrum gave an admissions update.
- F. Director of Foods Services,** Austin Petersen gave an update on recent grants that the Food Services program has applied for and announced that the program is getting a new ice machine. He mentioned that the food services program is using a new vendor, SYSCO.

VIII. Unfinished Business

A. Discussion: Return to School Updates

Ms. Darah Tabrum announced a few significant changes to the Return to School Plan.

1 **IX. New Business**

2 **A. Resolution Approval:** The Navajo Preparatory School Oral History Project, Dr. Wendy Greyeyes.
3 Head of School, Shawna A. Becenti presented the resolution requesting that Navajo Preparatory School
4 will approve and support "The Navajo Preparatory Oral History Project" lead by Dr. Wendy S. Greyeyes,
5 Assistant Professor, University of New Mexico for both the Navajo Nation Human Research Review
6 Board and the University of New Mexico's Institutional Review Board.
7 NPS Motion/Second: Sherrick Roanhorse/Charley Long, Sr. Motion carried 4-0-0
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9 **X. Personnel**

10 **A. Approval: New Hires**
11 Director of Human Resources, Manuel Watchman requested approval for a listing of new hires which
12 included a full time groundskeeper, head baseball coach, and substitute positions.
13 The Board of Trustees.
14 NPS Motion/Second: Sherrick Roanhorse/Anderson Yazzie, Jr. Motion carried 4-0-0
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16 **XI. Travel**

17 **A. Approval:** Tyler Connect 2022 Conference, May 14-19, 2022, Indianapolis, IN
18 The Director of Finance gave the details for travel for the Director of Finance and two other employees
19 in the Business Office to attend the Tyler Connect training. Tyler Connect is the vendor for our
20 accounting software
21 NPS Motion by Charley Long, Sr./Anderson Yazzie, Jr. Motion Carried 4-0-0

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

23 The next regular meeting for the Board will take place on January 18th at 5:30 PM.
24 The meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M. Motion Carried 4-0-0

25 **Minutes approved on** _____

Matthew Tso, President

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