



- 1 Date of Meeting: 06/13/2024 | 2:00 PM MST
2 Location of Meeting: Mountain Lodge Telluride, Telluride, CO
3 Present at the Meeting: Attendees (32): Anderson Yazzie Jr., Board President; Sherrick
4 Roanhorse, Vice President; Dr. Bernadette Todacheene,
5 Secretary; Craig Lee Sandoval, Member At Large; Haylei
6 Redhouse, Student Ad Hoc; Shawna A. Becenti, Head of School;
7 Keith Neil, Associate Head of School for Academics and
8 Operations; Darah Tabrum, Associate Head of School for
9 Advancement and Outreach; Roderick Denetso, Division Director
10 of Student Life and Wellness; Manuel Watchman, Division Director
11 of Business and Human Services; Kevin Belin, Director of the Diné
12 Bizaad Institute; Rainy Crisp, Dean of Students/Athletic Director;
13 Kandice Duvall, School Nurse; Sean Bekis, Director of
14 Technology; April Chee, Executive Assistant to the Head of
15 School; Desmon Tippeconnie, Navajo Language Teacher; Terri
16 Yazzie-Bochinlonny, Senior Accountant; Mario Bekis; Antoinette
17 Jaramillo; Cheryl Parrish; Rianna Melvin; Karlena Tso; Shawn
18 Clitso; Odale Wilson; Yuenika W; Stephanie Begaye; George Joy;
19 Xavier Nez; Wauneka Woody; Andrea Thomas; Jude Thomas;
20 Delano Yazzie

21 The regular June board meeting of Navajo Preparatory School, Inc. was convened at 2:05 pm
22 on June 13, 2024, with the board president, Anderson Yazzie, Jr. presiding. All four elected
23 board members were present, establishing a quorum, and the recording secretary announced
24 the roll call.

25 **INVOCATION**

26 Craig Sandoval provided the invocation.

27 **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

28 The Land Acknowledgement was read by Student Ad-Hoc Haylei Redhouse.

29 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

30 The proposed agenda for June 13, 2024, was modified with request from Sherrick Roanhorse
31 to defer Item B under New Business to June Special Session. Additionally, Mr. Roanhorse
32 requested for Executive Session under XI. Personnel.

33 Motion to approve agenda made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Dr. Bernadette
34 Todacheene. Vote: 4-0-0

35 **REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

36 The May Board Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with no edits or modifications.

37 Motion to approve previous minutes made by Dr. Bernadette Todacheene and seconded by
38 Craig Sandoval. Vote: 4-0-0

39 **CONSIDERATION OF OPEN ISSUES**

40 **INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS, PUBLIC COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

41 Head of School, Shawna Becenti, introduced members of Navajo Prep staff and faculty
42 present for the board meeting. Virtual guests present for the board meeting introduced
43 themselves. All presiding Board of Trustees members introduced themselves. Public
44 comments were made by guests regarding the Navajo Preparatory School Boy's Basketball
45 program. No further public comments were made and Anderson Yazzie Jr., Board President,
46 noted that the Board of Trustees heard all comments and no discussion followed. Shawna
47 Becenti announced that the New Student Home Grand Opening would take place on August



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1 5, 2024 and final details would be made available soon. Keith Neil, Associate Head of School
2 for Academics and Operations, announced that Tuesday, June 11, the Farmington City
3 Council Chamber invited Navajo Prep valedictorian, salutatorians, and state champions to
4 receive a special recognition. Shawna Becenti shared that Navajo Prep is excited to host the
5 upcoming Government to Government Summit on campus beginning Monday, June 17th.

6 **REPORTS**

7 A. Board Reports, Board of Trustees

8 Sherrick Roanhorse, Vice President, thanked the Leadership and Admin team for their
9 work at the Summer Work Session. Mr. Roanhorse noted that this is a time to reflect
10 and plan for the upcoming school year and that he is excited to look forward. Mr.
11 Roanhorse shared that the Leadership and Admin team will work on next steps to
12 share with the community and view the Navajo Prep Strategic Plan as a working
13 document.

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15 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

16 A. Resolution Approval: 24-25 SY Community Handbook

17 Shawna Becenti, Head of School, reviewed the 24-25 SY Community Handbook
18 revisions and noted that the school lawyer saw no legal issues.

19 B. Resolution Approval: 24-25 SY Personnel Handbook

20 Shawna Becenti, Head of School, reviewed the 24-25 SY Personnel Handbook
21 revisions and noted that the school lawyer saw no legal issues.

22 Motion to approve Items A-B made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Craig

23 Sandoval.

Vote: 4-0-0

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CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

25 A. Resolution Approval: 24-25 SY Board of Trustees By-Laws

26 Motion to table Item A made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Craig Sandoval

27 Vote: 4-0-0

28 B. Resolution Approval: Collaborative Agreement with Navajo Area Indian Health Service –
29 Shiprock

30 Shawna Becenti, Head of School, reviewed the annual collaborative agreement with
31 Navajo Area Indian Health Service – Shiprock.

32 C. Resolution Approval: International Baccalaureate Statement of Acceptance

33 Keith Neil, Associate Head of School for Academics and Operations, reviewed the
34 International Baccalaureate Statement of Acceptance.

35 Motion to approve Items B-C made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Dr. Bernadette

36 Todacheene.

Vote 4-0-0

37 **PERSONNEL**

38 Motion to move to Executive Session for personnel and legal related items made by Dr.
39 Bernadette Todacheene and seconded by Craig Sandoval.

40 The Board of Trustees entered Executive Session at 2:57 pm and concluded at 3:46 pm. No
41 decisions or approvals were made during the Executive Session.

42 A. Approval Memo: Resignations

43 B. Approval Memo: New Hires



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1 C. Approval Memo: Job Description Amendment

2 D. Approval Memo: Contract Renewals

3 E. Approval Memo: Summer Stipends

4 Head of School, Shawna Becenti, reviewed Items A-E.

5 Motion to approved Items A-E made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Dr. Bernadette
6 Todacheene. Vote 4-0-0

7 **TRAVEL**

8 A. Approval: 2024 Tribal and School Leadership Summit: Rapid City, SD, July 8-12, 2024.
9 Division Director for Student Life and Wellness, Roderick Denetso, reviewed travel
10 to the Tribal and School Leadership Summit.

11 B. Approval: National Association for College Admission Counseling Guiding the Way to
12 Inclusion: New Orleans, LA, July 29 – August 1, 2024

13 Associate Head of School for Academics and Operations, Keith Neil, reviewed travel
14 to the National Associate for College Admission Counseling Guiding the Way to
15 Inclusion.

16 C. Approval: National Indian Education Association Convention & Trade Show: Palm
17 Springs, CA, October 8-23, 2024.

18 Associate Head of School for Advancement and Outreach, Dr. Darah Tabrum,
19 reviewed travel to the National Indian Education Association Convention & Trade
20 Show.

21 Motion to approve Items A-C made by Sherrick Roanhorse and seconded by Craig
22 Sandoval. Vote 4-0-0

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24 **AGENDA AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

25 The next Special Session Board Meeting will be held on June 26, 2024 at Navajo Preparatory
26 School. Board President, Anderson Yazzie Jr., determined that a July Board Meeting would
27 be at the discretion of the Head of School

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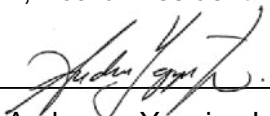
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31 **ADJOURNMENT**

32 The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m. by Anderson Yazzie Jr., Board President.

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34 M/S: none taken


Anderson Yazzie, Jr.,

President

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Dr. Bernadette Todacheene,
Secretary/Treasurer

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