

# AGENDA

## HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

### REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2024

10:00 AM

**PRESIDING** : Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson  
Honorable Germaine Simonson, Vice Chairperson

**PLACE** : Budget and Finance Conference Room (In-Person)  
Via Telecommunications:

**Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833 MTG ID: 979-985-0956 Passcode: 86515**  
Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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Helena Nez Begay

Vince R. James

Dr. Andy Nez

Germaine Simonson

George Tolth

Curtis Yanito

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1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2. **RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS**

3. **REVIEW AND ADOPT AGENDA**

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4. **REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):** *None*

5. **RECEIVING REPORT:**

**A. Report:**

❖ Richfield Residential Hall; Richfield, Utah

➤ Navajo Student Enrollment at Richfield Residential Hall

• Navajo Student Data 2018 - 2024

✓ Enrollment

✓ Navajo Chapter Representation

✓ Grade level

✓ Graduation Rate

✓ Drop-out Rate

✓ College bound enrollment rate

- ✓ College graduation data
- Educational Benefits for Navajo Students
- Current building structure
  - Meeting State or Federal building codes
- New building construction process and costs
- Application process for BIE new construction funding
- Letter or resolution of support from Navajo Nation

**Presenters:** Dennis Tsosie, Vice-President, Governing Board, Richfield Residential Hall  
 Brent Gubler, Executive Director, Richfield Residential Hall  
 Rick Brunson, Facility Manager, Richfield Residential Hall  
 Wes Christensen, Owner, KMA Architects

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**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Legislation No. 0084-24:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Approving and Adopting the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Housing Program Policy as the Eligibility Criteria for Receiving Services Under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan.

**Sponsor:** Delegate Andy Nez

**Legislative History:**

HEHSC passed a Tabling Motion on April 29, 2024: *Tabled until May 13, 2024 or until the next HEHSC meeting for the Navajo Veteran’s Administration to present the reported and referenced Advisory Council Resolutions.*

**Main Motion:**

Motion:            Honorable Andy Nez  
 Second:            Honorable Curtis Yanito

**Tabling Motion:**

Motion:            Honorable George Tolth  
 Second:            Honorable Curtis Yanito  
 Yea:                Honorable George Tolth; Honorable Curtis Yanito  
 Nay:                Honorable Andy Nez  
 Not Voting:        Honorable Vince R. James (Presiding)  
 Excused:            Honorable Helena Nez Begay; Honorable Germaine Simonson  
 Vote:                2-1-3

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**B. Legislation No. 0087-24:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Amending and Approving the Navajo Department of Health Division of Behavioral and Mental Health Comprehensive Policies and Procedures

**Sponsor:** Delegate Andy Nez

**Legislative History:**

HEHSC passed a Tabling Motion on April 29, 2024: *Tabled until May 13, 2024 or until the next HEHSC meeting, for the Navajo Department of Health, Division of Behavioral and Mental Health to present requested amendment(s) to the legislation; and an amendment to page 2, line 11 of the legislation to finish an incomplete sentence.*

**Main Motion:**

Motion: Honorable George Tolth  
Second: Honorable Curtis Yanito

**Tabling Motion:**

Motion: Honorable George Tolth  
Second: Honorable Curtis Yanito  
Yea: Honorable Andy Nez; Honorable Germaine Simonson; Honorable George Tolth; Honorable Curtis Yanito  
Nay:  
Not Voting: Honorable Vince R. James (Presiding)  
Excused: Honorable Helena Nez Begay  
Vote: 4-0-2

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**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Legislation No. 0091-24:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee: Approving the Navajo Nation Johnson O’Malley Program (JOM) Standard Operating Procedure for Monitoring Visits  
**Sponsor:** Delegate Andy Nez

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- B. Legislation No. 0095-24:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee; Approving a Budget Revision Request from the Department of Diné Education to Fund Oversight Activities for Projected Expenditures and Grants for Diné College and Navajo Technical University  
**Co-Sponsor(s):** Delegate Carl R. Slater  
Delegate Andy Nez

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- C. Reschedule Regular Meeting of Monday, May 27, 2024:**
- HEHSC regular meeting on Monday, May 27, 2024 occurs on a Federal and Navajo Nation observed holiday.
  - Reschedule HEHSC’s in-lieu of meeting.

**Presenter:** Angelita Benally, Legislative Advisor, Office of Legislative Services  
Health, Education and Human Services Committee membership

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**D. Request to reschedule the HEHSC mandatory training for the Navajo Nation Board of Education (NNBOE) originally scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, 2024.**

➤ Consider rescheduling the NNBOE training date.

**Presenter:** Roy Tracy, Acting Superintendent of Schools; Department of Diné Education  
Matthew Tso, Legislative Analyst; Administrative Assistant to NNBOE; Delegated  
Program Manger ODAC

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**8. CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT  
NEXT MEETING(S) / TRAVEL:**

- Saturday, May 18, 2024                    10:00 am                    Navajo Preparatory School Spring Graduation  
Navajo Preparatory School Campus  
Farmington, NM
- Monday, May 20, 2024                    10:00 am                    HEHSC Regular Meeting  
Budget and Finance Conference Room
- Wednesday, May 22, 2024                    10:00 am                    HEHSC Special Meeting  
NHA Overview and Updates
- Wednesday, May 29, 2024                    9:00 am                    HEHSC Work Session-Training by DOJ for  
NNBOE
- **Reschedule:** Monday, May 27, 2024                    Memorial Day - Observed Federal Holiday

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*THIS AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committees at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§163 and 183, Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7, and Standing Rule of Order No. 8.*