

# AGENDA

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

### REGULAR MEETING

May 20, 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:  
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Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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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):**

- April 22, 2024
- April 29, 2024
- May 13, 2024

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**5. RECEIVING REPORT:**

**A. Report – Update:**

- ❖ Dine College Policy Institute
  - Update

**Presenters:** Michael Lerma, Policy Analyst; Dine College Policy Institute  
Emery Denny, Research Assistant; Dine College Policy Institute

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**B. Report:**

- ❖ **Indian Health Services**
- ❖ **Navajo Nation Special Diabetes Program**

- Overview  
Power Point presentation

**Presenters:** Bernadine John, MsP Diabetes Nurse Consultant; IHS  
Sherylene Yazzie, Program Manager III; NN Special Diabetes Program

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**C. Report:**

- ❖ **Navajo Veterans Administration**

- HEHSCS-15-21 amending HEHSCAP-04-21
  - NNVA Housing Program Policy
  - NNVA Housing Action Plan
  - NNVA Home Improvement Policy

**Presenters:** Bobbie Baldwin, Executive Director, Navajo Veterans Administration  
**HEHSC Assigned Attorney:** Kristen Lowell, Attorney, Office of Legislative Counsel

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**D. Report:**

- ❖ **Indian Health Services**  
**Addressing Barriers to Accessing Heart Care in the Gallup Service Unit**

**Presenters:** Dr. Mericruz Merino, Physician - Internal Medicine; Indian Health Services, GIMC  
Teresa Galvan, Special Assistant to the CEO, Health System Specialist; Indian Health Services; GIMC

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**E. Report:**

- ❖ **Lybrook Elementary School**
- Community Concerns

**Presenters:** Billton Werito, Lybrook Parent Action Committee and JOM President  
Jeanette Vice, LDA for Delegate George Tolth

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**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Follow-up Report:**

*Note: An Executive Session may be requested since it relates to a personnel issue.*

- ❖ Navajo Veterans Administration
- Copy of the current employment contract of the Director of the Office of Veterans Administration
- Meeting the terms and intent of the contract requirements.

**Presenters:** Bobbie Baldwin, Executive Director, Navajo Veterans Administration  
Patrick Sandoval, Chief of Staff, Office of the President and Vice-President  
Bitah Becker, General Counsel, Office of the President and Vice-President

\*Initially placed on the Monday, April 22, 2024 approved HEHSC Regular Meeting agenda. The presenters were not present.

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**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. HEHSC Work Session:**

- ❖ Navajo Department of Health Division of Behavioral Health and Mental Health Comprehensive Policies and Procedures.
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**B. Travel:** To attend the 2024 Semi-Annual New Mexico Government to Government Indian Education Summit. Monday, June 17, 2024 at the Navajo Preparatory School; Farmington, NM.

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**C. Reschedule** the HEHSC regular meeting on Monday, June 17, 2024 due to HEHSC travel.

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