

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
OF THE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
SIGN IN SHEET /ROLL CALL

REGULAR MEETING
MAY 11, 2026

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Budget & Finance Conference Room, Window Rock, (NN), AZ

Meeting Call to Order at: 10:08AM Adjourned at: 12:59pm

<u>HEHSC MEMBERS</u>	<u>TIME IN</u>	<u>TIME OUT</u>	<u>SIGNATURES</u>
Vince R. James (C)	<u>10:07AM</u>	<u>12:59pm</u>	<u>Vince James</u>
Germaine Simonson (VC)	<u>10:00AM</u>	<u>12:59pm</u>	<u>Via Zoom</u>
Helena Nez-Begay, Member	<u>10:16AM</u>	<u>12:59pm</u>	<u>Helena Nez-Begay</u>
Dr. Andy Nez, Member	<u>9:01AM</u>	<u>12:59pm</u>	<u>Dr. Andy Nez</u>
George H. Tolth, Member	<u>9:50AM</u>	<u>12:59pm</u>	<u>George H. Tolth</u>
Curtis Yanito, Member	<u>10:35AM</u>	<u>11:50AM</u>	<u>Via Zoom</u>
Angelita Benally, Legislative Advisor			<u>Angelita Benally</u>
Karen J. Thompson, Legislative Assistant			<u>Karen J. Thompson</u>
MacArthur Stant, Legislative Counsel			<u>Via Zoom</u>
Candace D. French, Legislative Counsel			<u>Via Zoom</u>
Jason John, Legislative Staff Asst.			<u>Jason John</u>
Mary J. Nez, Executive Assistant-OOS			<u>Mary J. Nez</u>
Nicole Lansing, Delegates Office			<u>Nicole Lansing</u>

OTHER 25th NAVAJO NATION DELEGATE(S) :

<u>TIME IN</u>	<u>TIME OUT</u>	<u>SIGNATURES</u>	<u>TIME IN</u>	<u>TIME OUT</u>	<u>SIGNATURES</u>
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<u>VISITORS/GUESTS</u>	<u>TITLE/DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>
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17. =====	<u>ZOOM PARTICIPANTS</u>	=====
18. <u>HEHSC REPORTER</u>	<u>HEHSC ADMIN</u>	<u>505***278</u>
19. <u>Honorable Germaine Simonson</u>	<u>Honorable Curtis Yanito</u>	<u>928***225</u>
20. <u>Mac Stant</u>	<u>Candace French</u>	

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21. Art's Notetaker	Mac's Notetaker	Marcarlo's Noteaker
22. Tatyanna's Notetaker	Fireflies Notetaker Tatyanna	Jamie Vandever
23. Jacquelyn F. Morgan	Leslie Tsosie	Clarinda Begay
24. ADeal	Zedi1	Dr. Begay COGINA/DODE
25. Debora Belone	Zoom User	Julia Mitchell
26. Matthew Tso	Richard Edwards	Jordan E.
27. Yvette	MBecenti	Samsung SM-A166HT
28. Lisa Hubbard	Janice Filfred	Tsaipi
29. Charles Sherman	Tanya Tsosie	
30. =====verified by Karen J. Thompson, Legislative Assistant (HEHSC)=====		
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AGENDA

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

May 11, 2026

10:00 AM

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

PLACE: Budget and Finance conference room
<https://navajonationcouncil-org.zoom.us/j/81865815031>
Join via Audio:
+1 719 359 4580 US
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Webinar ID: 818 6581 5031
Passcode: 908590
Window Rock, NN (AZ)

<input type="checkbox"/> Helena Nez Begay	<input type="checkbox"/> Germaine Simonson
<input type="checkbox"/> Vince R. James	<input type="checkbox"/> George Tolth
<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Andy Nez	<input type="checkbox"/> Curtis Yanito

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

2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS

3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA

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4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):

- April 6, 2026 Special Meeting
- April 13, 2026 Regular Meeting

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5. REPORT(S):

A. Report: Navajo Preparatory School

- Request for sponsorship of a Navajo Nation Legislation supporting Navajo Preparatory School's participation in ISDEEA Section 105(l) Facility Lease Program.
- Request for sponsorship of a Navajo Nation Council Legislation for Matching Funds for the Construction of the Indigenous STEAM Facility.

Presenters: Shawna Allison Becenti, Head of School; Navajo Preparatory School

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6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Legislation No. 0087-25:** An Act Relating to the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Law and Order Committee, and the Naabik'iyati' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council: Amending the Navajo Preference in Employment Act, at 15 N.N.C. §607, to Establish a Navajo Nation Government Minimum Wage.

Sponsor: Delegate Vince R. James

Legislative History:

May 19, 2025	HEHSC	<u>Action:</u> <i>Do Pass</i> – No Amendments
August 26, 2025	B&FC	<u>Action:</u> <i>Do Not Pass</i> - No Amendments <i>Tabled.</i>
November 17, 2025	LOC	<u>Action:</u> <i>Do Pass</i> – No Amendments
November 25, 2025	Naabik'iyati Cmte	<u>Action:</u> <i>Tabled</i> with one (1) pending amendment. Naabik'iyati Work Session and Return before Winter Session 2026.
April 13, 2026	Naabik'iyati Cmte Work Session (7 members of the Naabik'iyati Cmte attending.)	
April 22, 2026	Navajo Nation Council Spring Session	<u>Action:</u> Referred to HEHSC within 90 days for further consideration and discussion on proposed amendments and financial impacts, and recommendations to the personnel costs by the Three (3) Branches, Chapters, and Political Subdivisions. One (1) pending amendment.

Presenter(s): Delegate Vince R. James, Sponsor of Legislation
HEHSC Membership

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7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A.** Schedule a meeting with Departments and Divisions that HEHSC serves as oversight for to discuss the FY27 Budget process including required forms, baseline budgets, timeline, and etc.

➤ Select a meeting date to meet with the following:

- Division of General Services
- Division of Children and Family Services
- Division of Human Resources
- Department of Dine' Education
- Department of Health
- Office of Veterans Administration

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B. Schedule a meeting with Navajo Community Schools requesting a meeting.

Select a date to meet with the following:

- Chooshgai Community School
- Teec Nos Pos Community School
- Wide Ruins Community School
- Shonto Preparatory School

Invite to the meeting: Department of Dine Education
Navajo Bureau of Indian Education

Presenters: HEHSC Membership

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C. Schedule a HEHSC in-lieu of meeting for Monday, May 25, 2026 – Memorial Day Observed Federal and Navajo Nation Holiday.

- Select an in-lieu of meeting date.

Presenters: HEHSC Membership

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

- Monday, May 11, 2026 Approx. 2:00 pm HEHSC Leadership Mtg; B&F conf. rm., Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Friday, May 15, 2026 10:00 am NTU Spring Commencement/Graduation; NTU Wellness Center; Crownpoint, NN (NM)
- Saturday, May 16, 2026 10:00 am Navajo Preparatory School Spring Graduation; Navajo Preparatory School Football Field; Farmington, NM.
- Monday, May 18, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ).
- Monday, May 25, 2026 Memorial Day -Observed Federal and Navajo Nation 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.*