

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

SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 03, 2026

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Navajo Nation Council Chambers, Window Rock, NN (AZ)

Meeting Call to Order at: 9:07 AM Adjourned at: 3:25 PM

HEHSC MEMBERS	TIME IN	TIME OUT	SIGNATURES
Vince R. James (C)	<u>8:50 AM</u>	<u>3:25 PM</u>	<u>Vince James</u>
Germaine Simonson (VC)	<u>9:12 AM</u>	<u>12:33 PM</u>	<u>Via Zoom</u>
Helena Nez-Begay, Member	<u>8:53 AM</u>	<u>3:25 PM</u>	<u>Helena Nez-Begay</u>
Dr. Andy Nez, Member	<u>8:50 AM</u>	<u>3:25 PM</u>	<u>Dr. Andy Nez</u>
George H. Tolth, Member	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>3:25 PM</u>	<u>George H. Tolth</u>
Curtis Yanito, Member	<u>9:05 AM</u>	<u>3:25 PM</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			
Jason John, Legislative Staff Asst.			
Mary J. Nez, Executive Assistant-OOS			
Delegates Office			<u>Elisashia Benally (OOS)</u>

OTHER 25th NAVAJO NATION DELEGATE(S) :

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SIGNATURES	TIME IN	TIME OUT	SIGNATURES
1. <u>9:00</u>	<u>12:50 PM</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	6.		
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	<u>VISITORS/GUESTS</u>	<u>TITLE/DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>
1.	Willie Becenti	Baiko Commander	—
2.	Henri Long	Kayatch	—
3.	Jay Long	Isyatch	—
4.	hon Antonia	Orono point CVO	—
5.	Willie Norton	Pmedals	—
6.	Hulet Spink	Mameto	—
7.	Mike Kelly	LSALOUS	—
8.	Ryan Benally	Nal Veteran Advisory	—
9.	Ericson Mann	Kim Dah Lichir CVO CMDR	—
10.	Karen Shirley	" " Spunking	—
11.	Raymond Smith Jr.	NNVAC	—
12.	Leann Roy	NNVA	—
13.	Tanya Tsosie	SBA/OMB	—
14.	AARON LONG	OPVP/NNVA	—
15.	Demetria Sinner	NNVO	—
16.	Lesfer Newman	TCVO Thoreau	—
17.	Quita Baily	TCVO "	—
18.	Heia L Becenti	TCVO Thoreau	—
19.	Fore Marie Jim	TCVS Thoreau	—
20.	Loferro Curley	DOJ	—

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21.	Russell Smallcanyon	Navajo Ntn Commander	
22.	Janet McCabe	DMB	
23.	Louise Smallcanyon	Navajo Mtn.	
24.	Rachel Smallcanyon	Navajo Mtn.	
25.	Marty Ashley	NTVA	
26.	Vivian Bennett	Thoreau Chapter	
27.	Tommy Tesul	LDA/OLS	
28.	Joe Ramona	CMR- Little Water	
29.	NICOLE LANSING	COO/OLS	ce
30.	Wilbur Smith	CVU.	
31.	Joe Tsinnjinnit	COVO - Chuk, 12x	
32.	Thomas Walker, Jr.	BHCAIH/SNTEPP	
33.	Peter Nez	CHAWA.ORG	
34.	Cash Harvey	OLS/LDA-NMIDeputy	
35.	Debbie May Marmel	Klagotah	
36.	Johnny Johnson	Stanley Park	
37.	Cassandra Morgan	Wide Ruins CVU Cmdr.	
38.	Richard Claw	CVU-Black Mesa	
39.	Jeannette Vice	LDA-G. Taltah	
40.	Jarvis Williams	Kayenta Township	

AGENDA

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE and the BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

September 3, 2026

9:00 AM

PRESIDING: Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson (HEHSC)
Honorable Germaine Simonson, Vice-Chairperson (HEHSC)
Honorable Shaandiin Parrish, Chairperson (BFC)
Honorable Carl Slater, Vice-Chairperson (BFC)

PLACE: Navajo Nation Council Chambers
<https://navajonationcouncil-org.zoom.us/j/84072500332>
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Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)

☐ Vince R. James	☐ Shaandiin Parrish
☐ Germaine Simonson	☐ Carl Slater
☐ Helena Nez-Begay	☐ Norman M. Begay
☐ Dr. Andy Nez	☐ Amber K. Crotty
☐ George Tolth	☐ Cherilyn Yazzie
☐ Curtis Yanito	☐ Lester Yazzie

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): *None*

5. REPORT(S):

A. BFC Directive to HEHSC and BFC Committees.

Legislation No. 0179-26: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee and Budget and Finance Committee; Approving and Recommending the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration and Related Matters.

August 12, 2026 BFC Special Meeting.

Budget and Finance Committee Directive to HEHSC and BFC:

“2. Directive to Committees: *The Budget and Finance Committee and the Health, Education and Human Services Committee shall meet with Navajo Veterans Advisory Council to discuss the Veterans Trust Fund Budget and its distribution for FY 2027. Replace Exhibit E with new Exhibit E with updated UNMET NEEDS so it includes the Executive Director position.*”

“3. Directive to the Program. *Provide updated budget forms consistent with the amendment above.*”

- Financial Status (balance) of the Navajo Veterans Trust Fund (NVTF) account.
 - Principal Balance of the NVTF.
 - Interest generated from the principal balance.
- Number of Veterans registered with the Navajo Veteran Administration And/Or the Navajo Veterans Advisory Council by Navajo Agency.
- Disbursements budgeted for the number of eligible Navajo Nation Veterans.
- Principal balance necessary to generate interest for annual disbursements to Navajo Veterans.

Presenters: Navajo Office of the Controller:

Sean McCabe, Controller, Office of the Controller
Robert Willie, Assistant Controller; Office of the Controller
Jeremy D. Jimmy, Investments, OOC
Adam C. Parker, Investments, OOC

Office of Management and Budget:

Dominic Beyal, Director, OMB
Tanya Tsosie, Senior Budget Analyst, OMB

Office of the President and Vice-President:

Aaron Long, Executive Assistant, OPVP
Tim Johnson, Veterans Affairs Liaison, OPVP

Navajo Veterans Administration:

Bobbie Baldwin, Executive Director – NVA
Leann Roy, Deputy Director; NVA
William Nez, Housing Program Manager; NVA

Navajo Veterans Advisory Council:

Ryan Benally, Commander, NVAC
Hubert Smith, Vice-Commander, NVAC

Eastern Agency:

Sherilynn Juan, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Hubert Smith, Vice Commander

Ft. Defiance Agency:

Raymond Smith, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Cody Neena, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Northern Agency:

Ryan Benally, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Amanda Sandoval, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Western Agency:

Latanya Williams, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Leslie Dele, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Central Agency:

Harrison Kee, Veterans Advisory Council Representative
Santana Yazzen, Veterans Advisory Council Representative

Invited: Chapter Veterans Organizations:

Veterans from Navajo Nation Chapters

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Not Voting:

6. OLD BUSINESS: *None*

7. NEW BUSINESS: *None*

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

- Friday, September 4, 2026 9:00 am Naabikiyati' Special Meeting; NN Council Chambers, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Tuesday/Wednesday, Sept. 8-9, 2026 NN Council Special Session (proposed); NN Council Chambers, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Thursday, September 10, 2026 10:00 am Naabikiyati' Committee Regular Meeting; NNC Council Chambers; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 14, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Wednesday - Friday, September 16 – 18, 2026 OLS Staff Development and Wellness (Mandatory)
- Monday, September 21, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 28, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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Not Voting:

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.

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41. <u>HEHSC Reporter</u>		
42. <u>HEHSC Admin</u>		
43. <u>Leonard F. Mose</u>		
44. <u>Shural Notah</u>		
45. <u>Lester Yazzie</u>		
46. <u>Norman M. Begay</u>		
47. <u>Andy Nez</u>		
48. <u>Cyanito</u>		
49. <u>Cherilyn Yazzie</u>		
50. <u>Amber K. Crotty</u>		
51. <u>Germaine Simonson</u>		
52. <u>Mac Stant</u>		
53. <u>Jacquelyn F. Morgan</u>		
54. <u>Jamie Vandever</u>		
55. <u>Karen Thompson</u>		
56. <u>NNCC Mic</u>		
57. <u>Nabi Amendments</u>		
58. <u>Manuel Rico</u>		
59. <u>Navajo Nation Council</u>		
60. <u>Crownpoint Chapter</u>		

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61.	Jeremy Jimmy		
62.	Latayna M Williams		
63.	Lois watts		
64.	Marcarlo's		
65.	inez		
66.	Mary		
67.	Richard		
68.	Tatyanaw Nole		
69.	rjohnson		
70.	CMDR Juan		
71.	Lene Bitsoi		
72.	OLC-KHardy		
73.	OLC-LT Singinnie		
74.	Vern R. Lee		
75.	Tommy Tsosie		
76.	Rose M. Gills		
77.	Verified by Karen J Thompson		
78.	Legislative Assistant (HEHSC)		
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