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

REGULAR MEETING

SIGN-IN SHEET/ROLL CALL SHEET

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026 @ 10:00 A.M.
DATE/TIME

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

Meeting Call to Order at: 10:19 AM Adjourned at: 5:42pm

MEMBERS	TIME IN	TIME OUT	SIGNATURES
Vince R. James (C)	10:04 AM	5:42pm	
Germaine Simonson (VC)	9:59 AM	5:42pm	VIA ZOOM
Helena Nez-Begay, Member	10:11 AM	5:42pm	
Dr. Andy Nez, Member	10:06 AM	5:42pm	
George H. Tolth, Member	9:41 AM	5:42pm	
Curtis Yanito, Member	10:14 AM	5:42pm	
Angelita Benally, Legislative Advisor			
Karen J. Thompson, Legislative Assistant			
MacArthur Stant, Legislative Counsel			
Jason John, Legislative Staff Asst.			
Mary J. Nez, Executive Assistant-OOS			
Delegates Office			

OTHER DELEGATE(S):

	TIME IN	TIME OUT	SIGNATURES
1.	3:40pm	4:30pm	
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	VISITORS/GUESTS	TITLE/DEPARTMENT	EMAIL ADDRESS
1.	Marlene Hobson	SASI Sch Board Pres.	
2.	Lula Jackson	Dzil/Hanaadli Community Sch./Dorm	
3.	Joe Ramone	Commander - Little Water Chapter Veterans	
4.	Jessie Valdez	Dz Sch.	
5.	Lawrence Plateau	TCS Sch Bd	
6.	Janet Slowman	SASI	
7.	William Kly Sr	NNVA.	
8.	Erum Chavez	DZUHS GS-SIB	
9.	Cynthia Preston	HS/NNVHP	
10.	Francina Yazzie		
11.	Judy S. Francis	RRCS School Bd	
12.	Leann Roy	Deputy Exec. Dir.	
13.	Terlyn Sherlock	RRCS School Bd	
14.	Jonathan Terry	DBUSBA	
15.	Veronica Garnenez	Community Member.	
16.	Bertha Bruce	School Brd	

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17.	Ben Woody Jr.	school Brd	
18.	Ryan Benally	Navajo Nation Veterans Advisory	
19.	Judy Chavez	NTUA	
20.	Rajni Nelson	NTUA	
21.	Shannon Burnette	NTUA	
22.	Deannah Neswood-Gishey	Dept of Child Care	
23.	Thomas Cody	NDCFS	
24.	Corraine Lee	NDCFS-FAU	
25.	Jazlyn Lane	CCSI, Inc	
26.	Karen Frances	NDCFS	
27.	Carolyn Ben	SB-PCS	
28.	Gerard Bare		
29.	Randy Begay		
30.	Della A. Begay	Sch Brd Member	
31.	Jason Curley	DDCFS-ICWA	
32.	Crescentia TSO	NDCFS	
33.	LEE B. Roy S.	Cove Sch Board	

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34.	Marlinda Littleman	SPDS/NDCES	
35.	GABRIEL A FREELAND	LDA - Curley	
36.	Raymond Smith J-	Retired CO NAVAC member	
37.		Dzilth School	
38.		Ghoshgal School	
39.	Aaron Long	ED/ NNA	
40.	Dr. Deborah Belone	Program Manager - DZDE-ODAC	
41.	Marty Ashley	Gov't Liaison / NTVA	
42.		Legislative Analyst / DODE	
43.	Dr J Kahbah Begay	DODE	
44.	verified by: Karen J Thompson		
45.	Honorable Helena Nez Begay		
46.	Honorable Andy Nez		
47.	Honorable Germaine Simonson		
48.	Honorable Curtis Yanito		
49.	Candace French, Attorney		
50.	Sean McCabe Controller		

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ON-LINE PARTICIPANTS

54. DJB
55. Amanda (AZ)
56. Cheryl Walters
57. Clarinda Begay
58. Cotillion Sneddy
59. Dr. Deborah Begay
60. Ipad Pro (5th Generation 61.
62. Jalen Woody
63. Jancita Paddock
64. Lene Bitsui
65. Marcarlo Roanhorse
66. Matthew Devore
67. Matthew Tso
68. Michelle Wilson
69. NNVA
70. Notah Silversmith
71. Rhonda Herbert
72. Samsung-SM- S9484
73. Shannon Tewanema
74. Tatyana Billy
75. Treva Roanhorse
76. 928****361
77. 928****693
78. 505****341
79. 505****650

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

AGENDA

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

REGULAR MEETING
November 16, 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/878 6906 5593
Webinar ID: 878 6906 5593
Join via Audio: +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma); +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
Passcode: 496534
Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)

[ ] Helena Nez Begay	[ ] Germaine Simonson
[ ] Vince R. James	[ ] George Tolth
[ ] Dr. Andy Nez	[ ] 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 THE AGENDA:

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4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):

- October 26, 2026 Regular Meeting

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5. REPORT(S):

A. Report: Division of Children and Family Services

- October 29, 2026 Memoranda to the Navajo Nation Controller:
  NDCFS Response and Clarification Regarding the Office of the Controller's October 22, 2026 Memorandum on the Division's Internal Financial Management System.

Presenters: **Division of Children and Family Services:**
Thomas Cody, Executive Director, DCFS
Sonlatsa Jim, Deputy Director, DCFS
Brenda Tsosie, Principal Accountant, DCFS

Laura Johnson, 477 Program Manager II

Office of the Controller:

Sean McCabe, Controller; OOC

Robert Willie, Assistant Controller, OOC

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B. Report: Update by Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA)

- Update on the Navajo Veterans Administration Veteran housing utility connections.
- Follow-up on: Mr. Johns Franklin – Shiprock
  Mr. Dee (daughter Raquel Dee spokesperson)

Presenters: NTUA Administration

Martin Ashley, NTUA Government Liaison

Rayni Nelson, Associate Deputy General Manager, NTUA Administration

Judy Chavez, Assistant Manager (Water Connection); NTUA Administration

Shannon Burnette, Assistant Manager (Electrical Power Connection); NTUA Administration

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C. Report: Navajo Veterans Administration

- Update on NVA
- Ms. Veronica Garninez, Mexican Springs, NN (NM) – Home Renovation and Improvement
- Navajo Veterans Advisory Council

Presenters: **Navajo Veterans Administration:**

Aaron Long, Executive Director, NVA

Leann Roy, Deputy Director, NVA

Veterans' Services Recipient:

Veronica Garninez, Veterans' Spouse – Mexican Springs, NN (NM)

Navajo Veterans Advisory Council:

Ryan Benally, Commander, NVAC

Hubert Smith, Vice-Commander, NVAC

Joe Ramone, NVAC

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6. OLD BUSINESS: *None*

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Legislation No. 0237-26: An Act Relating to Law and Order, Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Enacting the Diné Government Accountability Restoration Act; Establishing the Office of the Attorney General as an Independent Elected Office and Providing for the Election of the Attorney General Counsel for Executive Branch Legal Services; and Amending and Repealing Certain Sections of Title 2, and Title 11 of the Navajo Nation Code

Sponsor: Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty; **Co-Sponsor:** Delegate Crystalyne Curley

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B. **Legislation No. 0259-26:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Amending the 2010 Uniform Stipend Policy for Navajo Local Community School Boards
Sponsor: Delegate George H. Tolth;
Co-Sponsors: Delegate Danny Simpson; Delegate Helena Nez Begay

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

- Monday, November 23, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, November 30, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)

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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.