

TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS CHAPTERMEETING

January 15, 2012

PROPOSING AGENDA

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- a. Call meeting to order/Invocation
- b. Review/Accept Agenda:
- c. Review/Accept Previous Meeting Minutes:
 1. December 18, 2011 – Regular meeting
 2. January 6, 2012 – Chapter planning
- d. Announcements:
 1. January 16, 2012: Region Four Council Meeting 9:00AM at Rock Point Chapter House
 2. January 26, 2012: Local Senior Council at 10:00AM
 3. January 29, 2012: NAC District 11 meeting at 10:00AM
 4. January 23-27, 2012: Navajo Nation Winter Council Session

II. BUSINESS ITEMS:

- a. RESOLUTIONS:
 1. Supporting the N12 to the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan as priority listing.
 2. Supporting the N12 Camel back area for rehabilitation project as soon as possible.
 3. Recommending to amend the Tsaile/Wheatfields chapter meeting quorum status with 4 options: decreasing quorum number to: 15, 18, 20 or keeping at 25.
 4. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute to establish a Farmers Market at Dine College.
 5. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute for Language Master Plan at the Dine College.
- b. Chapter Financial Report
- c. Others:
 - 1.
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III. REPORTS:

- a. University of Arizona: Shandiin Wood
- b. Indian Education Parent Representative: Janie Henderson
- c. Lukachukai Community School Board Member: Margie R.S. Begay
- d. Agency Roads Committee Member: David Kedelty
- e. Health Board Representative:
- f. Council Delegate: Nelson S. Begaye
- g. Community Service Coordinator: Paula S. Begay
- h. Grazing Representative
- i. Local Senior Council
- j. Farm Board
- k. Community Land Use Committee

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

February _____, 2012 @ _____ am/pm

V. ADJOURNMENT:

**TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS CHAPTER
MEETING MINUTES**

January 15, 2012

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Call meeting to order at 10:47am by Zane James, Chapter President
Invocation provided by Mr. Bennie Litson

Review/Accept Agenda: (reviewed by Margie R.S. Begay)
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Dorothea Litson
Keep agenda open as Health Resentative might be leaving to another meeting.
Votes: 27/02/00

Review/Accept Previous Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Nleson James, second by Dorothea Litson
December 18, 2011 – Regular meeting - none
January 6, 2012 – Chapter planning - none

Concerns/Questions/Recommendations:

Water sample need to be assess due to the
Votes: 28/00/05

Announcements:

- January 16, 2012: Region Four Council Meeting 9:00AM at Rock Point Chapter House
- January 26, 2012: Local Senior Council at 10:00AM (dedication plan in April)
- January 29, 2012: Azee' Bee Nahaghi District 11 meeting at 10:00AM
- January 23-27, 2012: Navajo Nation Winter Council Session
- January 16, 2012: National Holiday with Chapter Closed and business office ie. Schools.
- January 23-24, 2012: Indian Self Determination Act Educational Training at Chinle Community Center
- Letter from Annie Waunkea Health Corporation extend appreciation of
- January 22, 2012 Farm Board Meeting at 10:00AM
- January 17, 2012: Nabeyata meeting
- January 16, 2012: Dine Policy Institute Farmers Market Meeting at 5:00PM.
- Concern of gravel hauling from C-321
- January 17, 2012: Dine Policy Institute on Language Master Planning at 5:00PM Student Union

BUSINESS ITEMS:

a. RESOLUTIONS:

1. Supporting the N12 to the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan as priority listing.
Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Sarah James

Concerns/Questions/Recommendations:

- N12 was constructed around 1964 or so therefore the road has gotten old. Support the request resolution and to keep in mind the fencing project be inclusive.
- The importance of supporting to leverage resolutions.
- Resolution reviewed.
- NDOT Chinle Office took out the politics and shared list.
- N12 across from Dine College turnout is a turnout to a residential area that is closed off by the new construction who informed to include the N12 construction.

Votes: 34/00/00

2. Supporting the N12 Camel back area for rehabilitation project as soon as possible.

Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Nelson James

Concerns/Questions/Recommendations:

- Tsaile Public School concern of the safety issue. Supporting the resolution.

Votes: 30/00/04

3. Recommending to amend the Tsaile/Wheatfields chapter meeting quorum status with 4 options: decreasing quorum number to: 15, 18, 20 or keeping at 25.

Motion by Paula Begay, second by Dorothea Litson

Concerns/Questions/Recommendations:

- Keep at 25 due to acknowledge and participation with encouragement within our family. If increased to 50 would be a problem. We can blame the elected people but it is the people that make the discussions and support.
- Issues that need support for improvement of community projects, or is that we don't support the Officials maybe we did not vote them in? or are we the community people the problem. Many things that are in the works would not have happen if it was not a chapter meeting item. Many of our regular chapter people are now encountering health problems.
- We need to discuss this issue and to work with respect. The 15 quorum count is good. If you respect your elected official(s) you should be here to support early. As a young elected person you cannot assume that we know the whole Government. During acceptance of scholarship application we should have power point presentation as many the youth will sit and question what the motions or votes are for. If the consistence is to keep at 25 them we put on the time wait only at 45minutes then to cancel or reschedule. Have respect both ways.
- Revise the sign-in sheet to add the other elected officials and chapter resources.
- To start the meeting with 18 members was discussed also. As recommending at 25 is good. Votes are held high and honored.
- Back in the 70's when vehicles were limited this chapter never had problem with making quorum. We need to educate ourselves as it looks to remain at 25 quorum count. We need to agree on wait time.
- At the Window Rock level it is with honor and leverage with high counts of votes to our chapter documents. Recommendation to announce the chapter agenda with technology for off reservation comments. Written report is really not necessary as we have our elderly who want verbal reports and to keep quorum number at 25.
- The recommendation of 25 quorum with adding chapter resources/committee with time of arrival. The other issue is food but only a few donate. The quorum status has been discussed during different chapter administration.
- One concern is that we start the meeting too early and should start at maybe at 12:00PM or 1:00PM. Sign-in sheet with recommended blanket lines for chapter resources to determine who arrives.

Votes: 32/01/04 Reaffirming to keep the quorum status at 25 count and to include wait time of 45miutes from schedule time. (i.e. 10:00AM schedule with wait time to 10:45AM)

4. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute to establish a Farmers Market at Dine College.

Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Bennie Litson

Grant proposal for social economic for 4 chapters, Tsaile, Lukachukai, Chinle and Many Farms. Main target is education on natural foods lets restore selling of the community grown to market. Create assess at point at Tsaile Junction FINA. August 14, 2012 to start selling as target date. Establish a region policy for growers and policy issue to start getting natural grown food into schools and markets. Proposal will cover \$4,000.00 each year if awarded of 1.2million for 4 communities. Involving the community is very important.

Concerns/Questions/Recommendations:

- Supporting the idea as one shared the practice at home and has fresh produce on the table daily. Believe prayer is the main base to planting and eating for better health preservation.

- What are the tools you would be assisting with as some people are in need of for plantation and the maintenance of it as in example a tractor.

Votes: 32/00/03

5. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute for Language Master Plan at the Dine College. Motion by Sarah James, second by Dorothea Litson
James Mckenize – will report in English with apology. Navajo Language proposal with a reach out into the communities surrounding the Dine College with everybody in different generation. Have worked with many organizations. Dine College students with 1 out of 10 will talk Navajo. A commitment to partner with Dine Policy Institute. Next meeting on Tuesday
Votes: 25/00/03

- b. Chapter Financial Report: Attached

Motion by Dorothea Litson, second by Lorena Eldridge to accept and approve the hard copy reviewed.

Votes: 27/00/00

- c. Others:

1. Powerline extension in amount of **\$2,690.00** for Roy Anagal at 50% of total estimated cost \$5,381.85. Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Bennie Litson

Votes: 25/00/02

2. Requesting travel approval with cost for Chapter President January 16-18, 2012 with estimate at **\$847.00** Motion by Bennie Litson, second by Orlando Charley

Votes: 24/00/03

3. RESOLUTIONS:

- i. Requesting

- ii. Respectfully requesting 2012 Arizona State Legislature to include \$5,000,000.00 funding for the Planning, Designing and Construction Development of the Wheatfields Lake in their legislative session.

Motion by Sarah James to combine resolution to the state legislature, second by Evelyn Ahidley

Votes: 25/00/02

REPORTS:

Motion by Nelson James, second by Evelyn Ahidley

- a. University of Arizona: Shandiin Wood – NO SHOW

- b. Indian Education Parent Representative: Janie Henderson: No parent meeting yet. Student early release happens due to weather condition. If that should happen and you are on travel prepare for children. Every second Tuesday of the month PTO meeting.

- Dismissal at the spare of the moment what happens on road such as lower Wheatfields area. RESP: make the necessary arrangement as the bus will stay on the main road.

- School has all parent information and the school should be able to utilize that for contact of the parents.

- Drivers will not drop off the students just anywhere as if that is the situation someone will drive the students home.

- Cellular towers are a need for these type of situation.

- Kids can get away with things and we won't know and the NTUA will be

- c. Lukachukai Community School Board Member: Margie R.S. Begay update on the congressional budget cuts forthcoming. LCS in the talking stage of preparing budget for the school year 2012/13.

- Teachers are in front line and suggest informing the staff from the get go and involve them from the bottom not to create animosity.

- d. Agency Roads Committee Member: David Kedelty expressed the support of the resolutions and to address concern to Katherine Benally.
- e. Health Board Representative: Rosita Tsosie update on January 20th at 1:00pm at Dine College conference room with a few people as a start and awareness. Same information will be shared with the Tsaile Clinic. The training schedule location at the Chinle will be January 23-24 for the Delegate and Chapter President with January 20th at Lukachukai Chapter House public hearing you are welcome as announcement:
- f. Council Delegate: Nelson S. Begaye will be going to Lukachukai Chapter for meeting that is in process. January 16th, the Waterflow casino will open. 30million dollars to loan to open this casino. Twin Arrows will be opening within the year. We have much saving into banks and maybe plan to open our own in the future. Veterans at the chapter level unspent funds will be included with the agency funds as re-distribution. Current this chapter has 39 male and 6 female veterans recorded. Scholarship receipt ants are large here and next spring scholarship amount is not passed by congress yet totaling at 6million. The Window Rock office has only forward letters to the students. Roads FET of .18 is a concern and yet the roads are not fixed. Met with the Navajo DOT, County and BIA. Parking lot paving project was awarded in 2004 but not done yet. BIA Harold Riley with concern to work on the major thoroughfare. Blackrock road is scheduled within the next 5 years. Casino monies of 6.4 million from road funds. Budget and Finance Committee voiced to obtain all unused funds. There are funds in Force Account. Bond Financing at Tsaile Junction with 1.3million to develop and Edison at \$600,000.00 but lacking approval for business site lease.
- g. Community Service Coordinator: Paula S. Begay reported on behalf of the police regarding the Toys and Tots. Staff assisted in the remote areas with some coming to the chapter for toys. Met with the Rural Addressing and CLUPC with training. Albuquerque end of the year reporting due to family ceremonial and did not attend the training. Land Corporation with Senior Citizen on interior fixtures of floor color. Regional Four Council meeting with collaboration of CSC as we will work with the Council Delegate. Cell tower by NTUA is doing this within their ROW network wireless. Here north of the chapter should receive services.
- h. Grazing Representative- LEFT
- i. Local Senior Council – just meeting date on January 26, 2012 discussion on facility dedication if you want to be involved say so.
- j. Farm Board – meeting on January 22, 2012 with main issue is the Plan of Operation to be booklet with Water Users Association. Others is the Upper Wheatfields and Tsaile Farmers how can we work together. Plan to work the irrigations on abandon plots. From now to Summer to fix the irrigation line as we did the Lower Wheatfields area with cost sharing.
To add with the different type of weather and to have the spring water be diverted into the lake.
- k. Community Land Use Committee – NO SHOW

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

February 3, 2012 @ 1:00pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Freddie Yazzie at 3:03PM, second by Evelyn Ahidley
All in favor

Community Concerns:

Water sampling by NTUA to newly waterline established with the discoloring of the water.

Community Roads:

Blackrock area – dirt road

Blackrock area – was informed of gravel application

N12 trees along the road – during road construction any trees removed be considered for community use.