Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock
Chapter

CHAPTER OFFICIALS: Zane James, President, David Kedelty, Vice-President & Margie R.S. Begay, Secretary/Treasurer
Council Delegate: Nelson S. Begaye

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2015

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:
   a. Meeting called to order by Zane James, Chapter President at 9:23 am
   b. Pledge of Allegiance provided by Stanley Kedelty,
   c. Invocation provided by
   d. Review and Accept Agenda
      Motion by Leana
      ADD:
      Announcements:
      May 13, 2015: 5:00pm Farm Board Meeting
      May 12, 2015: Farm Board Releasing the Dam Irrigation Water
      May 14, 2015: 9:00am Regional water study
      May 17, 2015: 1:00pm Farm Board meeting with entities of conversation plan
      May 7, 2015: 1:00pm N12 Plan in Hand Meeting.
      Expenditure: Allocate funds for the July 11, 2015 Chinle Agency Council Meeting

      Votes: 12/00/02
   e. Announcements:
      1. May 2, 2015: 9:00am YARD SALE Wheatfields Chapter Parking Lot (Open for Vendors to sell)
      2. May 3, 2015: CLUPC to use chapter to start plotting maps
      3. May 7, 2015: 9:00am Chuska Regional Council Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
      4. May 8, 2015: Dine’ College Graduation
      5. May 11, 2015: 10:00am District 11 Grazing Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
      6. May 12, 2015: 5:00pm Veterans Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
      7. May 14, 2015: 9:00am 6th Annual Parent Conference at the Tsaile Public School
      8. May 14, 2015: 10:00am Food Handlers Training at the Wheatfields Chapter House
      9. May 15, 2015: 10:00am Many Farms High School Graduation
     10. May 17, 2015: 10:00am CLUPC Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
     11. May 23, 2015: 10:00am Chinle High School Graduation
     12. May 25, 2015: Chapter Office CLOSED – Memorial Holiday
     13. June 1, 2015: Chapter Office CLOSED – Navajo Nation Memorial Holiday
     14. June 16-18, 2015: Traditional Healing Summit at Wheatfields Lake by the NN Department of Behavioral Health
     15. July 11, 2015: 9:00am Chinle Agency Council Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
     17. September 16-18, 2015: Navajo Nation Safety Conference in Albuquerque, NM
     18. CSC: Announced the PEP Workers has done many minor repairs to the chapter house with tearing down the storage and other work around the area.
     19. Old American Day Senior Citizen Coordinator on her way to provide report

II. BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS: All Business items are discussed and forward to the next Regular Chapter meeting for final approval by chapter membership quorum:
A. Ratifications:
   1. $100.00 Burial assistance for the late Paul C. Begay. **Sponsor: Chapter Administration**
      Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Max Benally
      Votes: 13/03/01

B. Expenditures:
   1. Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health requesting assistance for food be provided to the scheduled Traditional Healing Summit on June 16, 2015. **Sponsor: Daryl Joe**
      Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Lorena Eldridge
      Presented by Mr. Daryl Joe who provided requesting letter of the chapter to assist with providing lunch for the about 250 people of participate. The goal of sharing and instilling traditional teaching of healing purposes.

   **Questions/Comments/Recommendations:**
   - Our chapter monitory donation is only $50.00. And we support this effort.
   - Is there an agenda with an outlined presentation in place?
   - How is the food to be assisted with,
   - The nature of the event is a need and the majority of our community will possibly attend and favor every much to have our chapter assist and view what line item can be utilized.
   - Will our chapter be part of the sponsor and be advertised
   - If our chapter is to sponsor and when we say" traditional" are we going to provide our own menu?
   - In the past years we have hosted the Life Preservation Summit we have provided lunch. Funds is according to availability and this chapter knows what goes in place. We can do partnership.
   - We have catering services within the line item of Land Claims Funds for benefiting the whole community.
   - Need to Advertise as soon as possible and it would be good to have a poster/charter signing for our chapter.
   - Be visionat at the presentation with an outlined budget and to provide. We need to purchase a visual camera.
   - Develop a Committee: To plan in identifying budget and preparation with the assisting being requested.
     - Mr. Stanley Kedelty
     - Ms. Margie R.S. Begay
     - Sarah James
     - Paula Begay, CSC
     - Zane James
     - Representative of Department of Behavioral Health

   Votes: 17/00/01

2. Requesting a Strategic Work session with the Chapter Officials, Chapter Committees and Staff. **Sponsor: Zane James**
   Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Nelson E. James
   Due to the recent N12 Plan in Hand has shown us that we need to review and identify projects again. Recommend to have a day of discussion with the Chapter Farm Board, CLUPC, and so forth. Are we able to afford this work session.

   **Questions/Comments/Recommendations:**
   - Propose to go forward with some specific plan to the chapter meeting with the chapter officials, committee plans with outlined to discuss for the people to view and support.
   - Zane James will take lead with assistance by:
     - Mrs. Dorothea Litson
     - Mrs. Lorena Eldridge
Ms. Margie R.S. Begay
Mr. David Kedelty
Mrs. Paula Begay, CSC

- In the discussion with the upcoming Regional Council Meeting to make the N12 a priority.
- Need to keep the Council Delegate involved
- N12 Priority starts from Navajo, NM to Round Rock. We have lost funds to the Chinle judicial complex.

Votes: 18/00/01

3. Requesting to allocate funds for the upcoming July 11, 2015 Chinle Agency Council Meeting:
   Motion by Sarah James, second by Orlando Charley
   What can we do to host the next meeting?

   **Questions/Comments/Recommendations:**
   - Recommend to have the Farm Board Committee to spearhead the upcoming meeting with a presentative from chapter committee member be part.
   - As an Agency Council Vice President I want to be part of this.
   - Grazing wants to do a presentation at this Agency Council Meeting

   Votes: 20/00/01

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Requesting the Chapter to identify and allocate funds for the Water Master Summer Project.
   **Sponsor: Farm Board Committee**
   Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Thomas Litson
   Presented by Farm Board Lorena Eldrige; with a requesting resolution in the amount of $23,520.00 and a supporting 2 Personnel Water Master at 21 weeks (7days x 8hours x $10.00 per hours x 2)

   **Questions/Comments/Recommendations:**
   - What is the qualification for this project?
   - Chapter office has all this on file and this position will be advertised
   - $10.00 an hour is too much and it should be $7.00 as they only drive around
   - This position has a job description, with overseeing and fixing 3 reservoirs and attend the Farm Board meetings. The Farmers are responsible for their lines within the farm plots. These workers have to have and use their own vehicle. This Water Master can turn off the irrigation water and then the Farmers complain.
   - Is this position at $10.00 an hour? YES. Okay another question as a PEP the wage is less why is that set that way. In addition, we are qualified worker with our work showing good quality. However, as of last week we had a visit from Navajo Nation OSHA. With the safety awareness and the work done we need to upgrade our salary within the qualified standing.
   - Chapter around us are higher in pay except us. The Navajo Labor Relations has set and the State.
   - This is a good discussion and what will it take to amend this?
   - The chapter will need to provide the needs document and move to the chapter meeting for amending cost.
   - The chapter sets a Budget every year and can we propose budge increase?
   - PEP monies are temporary and set. If we start to propose different salary wage it can't work out. SYTEP is also different according to youth wages. We also have deduction according to set state amount and go into the set the set budget. Explained further into workman's comp and etc.
   - Yes, the OSHA did visit last week. We were saved by Ryan who is OSHA certified and we were just given a warning.
• We need to orientate the workers. And the Supervisor need to be and practice the safety needs.

Votes: 19/00/02

2. Requesting support and approval of Samuel Yazzie’s resignation as Peace Making Representative.  
   **Sponsor: Samuel Yazzie**  
   Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Orlando Charley  
   Presented by Samuel Yazzie regarding his Representative as a Peace Maker.  1979 it started with many names changed. With the many changes and the weight work increased and can’t handle it any more. It is no longer in his favor due to his health issue and etc.  Do not have a resolution and asked Margie to assist.

Votes: 19/00/03

III. REPORTS:

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: May 18, 2015 at 3:00pm

V. ADJOURNMENT:
   Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Max Benally  
   Votes: All in favor