

**Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2016**

PROPOSED AGENDA

I. Order of Business:

- a. Meeting called to order at 11054m. by Chapter President
- b. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Vice-Chapter President
- c. Invocation provided by Chapter President

- d. Review/Accept Agenda: Presented by Chapter Secretary/Treasurer
Motion by Lorena Eldridge, second by Sarah James
ADD: Supporting the Dine' College to develop a fast track academic remedial program for Police Cadets.
Move: Report item #1 to Business

Votes: 18/00/14

- e. Review/Accept Minutes: Presented by Secretary/Treasurer
Motion by Emma Yoe, second by Melvin Gatewood
Comments: NONE
Votes: 22/00/08

- f. Announcements:
 1. August 15, 2016 Holiday - NN Code Talker Day (Office Closed)
 2. August 17, 2016 Campaign Rally – Alton J. Shepard, Apache County Supervisor
 3. August 30, 2016 Primary Election (Office Closed)
 4. Council Delegate, August 19, 2016 Dedication of Police Facility in Chinle
 5. Council Delegate, August 20, 2016 Honoring Sgt. Sophie Yazzie with Gore Dancing at Dine' College
 6. September 12, CLUPC Meeting
 7. CLUPC August 26, 2016 Joint Meeting with Farm Board
 8. September 13, 2016 Veterans Meeting
 9. Grazing still in process with Branding, September 22, 2016 next Grazing meeting in Round Rock with presentation. Grazing permits closing for update end of September. Forestry Department not responding on issues.
 10. TPS: September 8, First PTO Meeting.

REPORT:

Principal, Tsaile Public School: Power Point Presentation on student Nelson Claw, Quincy Natay, Superintendent; Shelia Beck; Aryiah Mitchell, Data Analysis; Dr. Sorden, Principal; Jennifer Pendae and Sharon Murray.
Presenting: District of choice – 4th Grade Team, 5th Grade Team Math, 6th Grade Team, Awards received and presented to Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter.
Achievement Graph presented, SY2015-2016 (graph in comparison with the Tsaile, District an AZ State. Math wise in this community is doing better. The school will continue to work on. Traditional classes with language will continue. Lexile level will be encouraged. Students will be sent home with homework to read and parents please have them read and acknowledge. Hard work pays off. Encouraging to be a Class A in the State.
Will gear up on afterschool with dinner. Have your kids take advance of this offer.

Question/Comments:

Will there be transportation (bus run) provided for this new program? Yes, buses will be running all the regular routes.

Would like to see Tsaille Elementary School take a lead in what's working best for schools. There are a lot of work that needs to be done in this community and would like to sit down with Mr. Natay soon. This chapter is establishing a N12 Road Improvement Commitment and will need a presentative from your school.

There has been road crossing identification done for improvement. However there is a questions with Tsaille Elementary School road ownership?

We want Tsaille Elementary school to be part of our community. At the end of the day it's about the students. Not once a year.

II. Business Items

a. Ratifications:

1. \$100.00 Burial Assistance for the late Titus Deschine of Tsaille community.
Motion by Devin Begay, second by Sarah James
Comments: None
Votes: 22/00/04

b. Resolutions

1. Supporting the Dissertation Research at Dine College for the Academic Persistence Decisions. Sponsor: Gerald Shorty
Motion by Melvin Gatewood, second by Thomas Litson

Presenter Gerald Shorty dissertation on studying the Navajo at Dine' College of how they are staying on or out of college involving on line, in classroom, etc. at Shiprock campus and now at Tsaille campus for approval. This study will become a Navajo Nation Data. Need chapter support of approval first and Dine' College waiting for approval.

Questions/Comments: NONE

Votes: 22/00/08

2. Appointing Janie Henderson as a Parent Representative of the Tsaille/Wheatfields Chapter on the Chinle Unified School District, Indian Education Committee.
Motion by Bennie Litson, second Melvin Gatewood
Presenter: Not available

Questions/Comments:

Kathy John voiced interest and her wants to get involved in the school.

NOTE: In July Janie Henderson shared her interest to continue as a presentative which we will consider even though she's not here.

NOTE: Kathy John was asked to leave the room for voting.

NOTE: Voting of showing of hand took place for Janie Henderson and Kathy John.

NOTE: Kathy John was informed to return back in and was informed as a new representative with higher votes.

Votes: 17/00/09 – "Supporting to Appoint **Kathy Johns** as a Parent Representative of the Tsaille/Wheatfields Chapter to the Chinle Unified School District, Indian Education Committee".

3. Requesting the Office of the President/Vice President to schedule a Town Hall within the Tsaille/Wheatfields Chapter.
Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Nelson James

Questions/Comments:

In July Farm Board meeting it was stated and discussed the bad condition of roads when it rains or snowed. In addition road identification, to homes, illegal dumping, tree thinning need, illegal alcohol sale, land use fund allocation increase need, and much more. Recommend to put in writing.

Navajo Nation Council in discussion of budget allocation. So this Town Hall meeting might go into September. We can discuss this further in September Chapter Planning Meeting and develop a position paper. This will be emailed to everyone.

Votes: 23/00/06 – Resolution of request for Town Hall Meeting will be hand carried by Chapter President

4. Requesting to support with an in-kind contribution of for preparation of serving supplies, paper ware for 1,000 riders and decoration for Sgt. Sophie Yazzie, event on August 20, 2016.

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Melvin Gatewood

Presented by Lupita McClanahan, voiced on behalf of Sgt. Sophie Yazzie who is veteran at the age of 102 now. She also provided briefly on history Sgt. Sophie Yazzie. To date she continues to strive with family, community and surrounding. The event will take place August 20, 2016. Your support is need.

Motorcycle will be headed by Larry Noble. Requesting stew with fry bread for riders. Trail riding will also take place from Blackrock to Dine' College.

Questions/Comments:

Sophie Yazzie celebration is posted in Navajo Times. Tentative scheduled with bike ride escort with talks, gore dance, birthday party. Any donation is welcomed. This is her own plan.

Dine' College representative informed of a meeting regarding this celebration. This event will take at parking lot of west side with the college security, gore dance in the gym, feeding the bikers and horse riders in the snack bar area and the general public will be feed in the cafeteria.

Votes: 21/00/08

5. Requesting the NN RDC, NDOT, BIA to keep the N12 Rehabilitation Construction Plan/Funds on the 5 year TTIP.

Motion by Bennie Litson, second by Thomas Litson

Presented by Chapter President with allocated \$20million for N12 needs to be kept in the TTIP plan for N12 road work. It is recommended for chapter resolution in support with additional surrounding resources and entity of road users of support. Therefore, a recommended committee will be established. In October additional TTIP will be allocated so we need to move on this resolution.

Questions/Comments:

I have viewed the discussion for development and improvement which is very slow in getting it done. In the 50 states funds are allocated with inspectors. I always wonder why this does not happen here now some monies are taken back. As delegate you should propose funds for need road improvement to make this type of request move. I have said these resolution submitted go nowhere. Resolutions

should be followed and questioned. Some chapters say they encounter same. It seems Navajo Nation is not moving. Is it because we have people in Window Rock that don't move. As a child I have been told that a "Leader" is to do for people with need.

When the chapter passes a resolution to departments, we are never given a response. During the Regional Wide meeting I as chapter President questioned why we are not provided any information by BIA and other entities. BIA and NDOT said they don't move until at a certain percentage of project. But they want additional resolution and support letters from other entities.

I witnessed the meeting in Window Rock with our chapter president who speaks for us. We need to know and support the efforts our chapter. We need to support and be there to voice our need.

Is this project taking up the funds of the construction? No this is a separate funding project.

NEPA Clearance has hindered the project as will but this chapter was not informed.

Votes: 24/00/06

6. Supporting the Dine' College to develop a fast track academic remedial program for Police Cadets.

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Melvin Gatewood

Presented by Marie Etsitty-Nez who provided brief history of resolution need provided in July planning meeting for supporting resolution of an remedial academic program for coming police cadets. With former Dine' College director had supported the entire development of police academy but in review of the proposal there is not funds. So we pose to fast track only the academic part of the academy need. Read the resolution to the people.

Questions/Comments:

Are you trying to expand the security system? No this is for the Navajo Nation Police Cadets. We don't know how it will be offered or designed yet.

There was a real good question back in July that during the establishing of Dine College that there should be not armed be put into the grounds.

Council Delegate explained the finding and need of this effort further. The HEHS Committee has taken on this effort since there is education need in this.

Votes: 25/03/04

III. Reports:

- a. *Principal, Tsaille Public School: Moved after announcement item and done.*
- b. Senior Center Supervisors: No show
- c. Indian Education Policy Representative:
- d. Community Health Representative: Staff Holiday
- e. Community Land Use Plan Committee: None
- f. Farm Board: brief upcoming joint meeting and stressed for attendance.
- g. Council Delegate: chairmanship status, now 3 branch government, research ongoing for a differ government even down to chapters of alterative form of government, uncertified chapters are lessening the quorum. Lukachukai down to 17 members for

quorum. At this chapter it's still 25 members. Way back Joe Shirley put upon himself to less the council delegate from 88 to 24 this people supported. Now a committee is selected for searching to see the chapters officials should be combined. Now this will be voted on without community involvement.

Comments:

This regionalization still has questions. This legislation is still in question. But the Council Delegates has misused a lot of money. There is a public hearing in Chinle tomorrow on this issue. The Council Delegates move and approve many things without people notice.

When did the Council approve this? Last Monday.

There are many people who do not know of this we need to be educated.

August 9, 2016 Farm Board had a reservation wide meeting at Twin Arrows with a lady who had a petition to this item.

- h. Chapter Officials: N12 update with resolution
- i. Community Service Coordinator: Staff Holiday

Kathy John motioned to amend agenda to entertain a resolution to oppose the Regionalization of Chapter to the Navajo Nation President, second by Willis Becenti.

Question:

How did our Council Delegate vote at the council floor on this item?

REPLY by Delegate: Voted against it.

Votes: 25/00/01

Requesting the Navajo Nation President to VETO the Legislation # 0220-16

Votes: 24/00/03

IV. Date and Time of Next Meeting: September 1, 2016 at 3:00p.m.

V. Adjournment: Motion by Della Begay, second by David Tsosie. All in favored