

Tsaile/Wheatifields Chapter Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2014

I. Order of Business:

- a). Meeting called to order at 9:36 am by Zane James, Chapter President, Community Member
- b). Pledge of Allegiance
- c). Review and Accept Agenda
Motion by Lorena Eldridge, second by Dorothea Litson
ADD:
Becky : Resolution Language consistence
Lorena Eldridge: Farm Board Supporting restolution Trust Settlement Funds 2.3 million DRAFT
Ivn Jones: Canyon De Chelly Health Center Resolution
LDavis: CLUPC Meeting on December 15,
Votes: 08/00/06
- e). Announcements:
 - December 1, 2014
 - ADD:
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II. Business Action Items:

1. Accepting the November 28, 2014 Chapter Financial Reporting

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Angie Brown

Concerns:

Willis Becenti:

Votes: 16/00/05 Defer to the chapter meeting

2. Resolution: Supporting the Reauthorization of the Many Farms Community School –Sponsor: Jay R. Nez.

The Draft resolution presented by Margie Begay on behalf of Mr. Nez who will be at the regular meeting.

SKedely: Grant School reauthorization status, BIE involving new standards should not interfere with the grant school operation.

Office of the President and Vice President

Votes: 17/00/05 (Supporting the continued operation of the Many Farms Community School, Inc. Under P.L. 100-297 for a period of three years commencing July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2018.)

3. Resolution: Requesting the NN President, NN Vice-President, NN Council, Law & Order Committee and Navajo Election Administration to enact “Judicial Reform” to have all judges in the Navajo Nation to be elected into office and not be appointed.

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Willis Becenti

Present by Paula Begay, CSC: the resolution with item surfaced at the Regional Council and discussed with the great concern. In a discussion with Tom Tso agrees that the sponsor should be the people.

Questions, Comments, Recommendations:

WBcenti: Is this on the website somewhere for review?

DRAFT read to the people.

Add the Navajo Nation Election might have a say. Or the Office of the Appeal.

This resolution should be directed to the Navajo Nation Council to act on this item and its process to the Navajo Nation President.

Maybe direct the Department of Justice to draft language to enact Policy and Procedures on the item with following another resolution with Judges.

Judges elevation needs to be included.

NJames: My understanding is for only the top judges and not the District Judges. Now are we talking about ALL judges?

Becky: we have to be careful in making legislation. Council Delegate has a lot of power but now they are only concern on their personal agenda. With this resolution 60% of chapters need to support. Understanding is that the President should not even veto this resolution.

SYazzie: at the last meeting there are a lot of supported resolutions and will be amended.

SKedelty: We are only directing reform for this resolution to start its process.

Votes: 21/00/04

4. Resolution: Requesting the Navajo Nation Council to change the Language qualification for the Navajo Nation President and Vice-President to be consistence and same as the Navajo Nation Council Delegate Language qualification.

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Stanley Kedelty

Presented by Becky Nave, there are agency coalition throughout the Navajo Nation. This resolution is to have the Navajo Nation President be same as the Navajo Nation Council qualification.

Questions, Comments, Recommendations:

DLitson: you still have in resolution stating and/or.

SKedelty: Who is the resolution address to? Navajo Nation Council.

This resolution can both ways (qualification of the Council or the President)

LDavis: There are a lot of ways this can be understood. Elderly preserved our Navajo Nation language for future. We still have elderly who only understand the Dine' language. Yes there might be interpreter but it can never be understood. A position you understand.

Becky: He was qualified to run

Our kids are getting a hold of material to study and learn

Votes: 22/00/04

5. Resolution: Requesting Trust Settlement Funds in the amount of \$2.3million Sponsor: Farm Board Committee

Motion by Sarah James, second by Willis Becenti

Presentation with outlined budget for the Farm Board wants for their community of funds identifying the proposing funds with presented priority of 6 items in amount of \$2.3million.

Tomorrow will be presenting before the Budget and Finance Committee with what we have projected, worked on and what new plans will be.

Questions, Comments, Recommendations:

Mrs. Gene: Will this proposal be identified for the Blackrock dam too. If not to include in the proposal.

RESP: Earth and Dam repairs are included within 5 areas. 2 has been repaired with outlined budget.

WGene: Farm Equipment will this be utilized for the Farms request?

RESP: Yes that is in the plans.

SKedelty: In the past have seen proposal for farm equipment but don't know if the farms equipment were really utilized for the farmers. In this proposal what type of equipment are included? Idea of suggestions.

Votes: 16/00/09

6. Resolution: Canyon DeChelly Comprehensive
Motion by Lucinda Davis, second by Willis Becenti
Out of 16 chapters 14 has supported. Slowly the Indian Health Services is converting to 638. Before this happen we want to keep this service all together.

Questions, Comments, Recommendations:

WBecenti: where is the monies going to the tribe or the Indian Health Services?

SYazzie: We have only requested additional information which never was answered.

RMKayonni: Services are very poor with too many staff. You need to expand the clinic for the many people that need the services.

SKedely: We need to hear from the Administration/CEO of what the plans are with the budget.

SYazzie: the services is very poor and we continue to have our people be transferred to Phoenix and other locations. There are a lot of questions and yet we are not given time to question and we are very concern.

Votes: 19/00/07

- III. Reports: Move to the Chapter Meeting due to the time that our Elderly need to use the facility for lunch.

SKedely: update on

1. Chinle Unified School District #24
2. Council Delegate:
3. Chapter Resources:

- IV. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

December 8, 2014 at 1:00pm

- V. Adjournment:

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Lucinda Davis at 12:00pm

Votes: all in favor.

Submitted by Margie R.S. Begay