

SIX DIRECTIONS INDIGENOUS SCHOOL

SDIS – Regular Governing Council Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2022

6:00 pm

IMPORTANT: In response to COVID-19, this meeting will be held remotely. The public may attend and listen only via link:

MISSION STATEMENT

The Six Directions Indigenous School, through a commitment to culturally relevant indigenous education and interdisciplinary project-based learning, will develop critically conscious students who are engaged in their communities, demonstrate holistic well-being, and have a personal plan for succeeding in post-secondary opportunities.

- I. Call to Order - Chair Malone @6:03 PM
- II. Roll Call - Chair Malone
 - a. Present Members: Chair Karen Malone, Adeline June, Zowie Banteah, Dr. Henderson; Absent: Wilhemina Yazzie
 - b. Others Present: Dr. Allison, Head Administrator; Abby Lewis, School Attorney; Amber Pena, School Business Manager; Nate Rios, School Business Manager attending with Amber
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Dr. Henderson made a motion to approve the agenda. Zowie Banteah seconded.
 - b. Roll call vote: Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson-yes, Adilene June – yes, Karen Malone-yes, (4 yes, 0 opposed and 0 abstained).
- IV. Approval of December 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - a. Dr. Henderson made a motion to approve the agenda; Adeline June seconded.
 - b. Roll call vote: Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson-yes, Adeline June – yes, Karen Malone-yes, (4 yes, 0 opposed and 0 abstained).
- V. Public Comment – none at this time
- VI. Informational
 - a. Finance Committee Report- Karen Malone
 - i. Met 1/19/22 at 5:00 PM – Only change noted was school trip to Colorado post-poned due to COVID surge.
 - ii. Karen reports that our budget looks healthy; inquired student count and how budget may change
 - b. Finance Report - Business Manager Amber Peña
 - i. Ms. Peña reported school budget
 - ii. The Activity Account has negative balance but will have BAR Adjustment next month
 - iii. Large available balances were shared with HA on where to spend monies
 - c. Head Administrator’s Report – Dr. Tamara Allison
 - i. Dr. Allison shared highlights

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1. Impact Aide Application for 2022-23 being worked on
2. ESSER III Application submitted
3. Food Service needs shared – Special Meeting requested
4. Personnel and Support status shared – new hires
5. College visit postponed due to COVID Surge
6. Tutoring will be made available 3 days out of the week for 2 hours provided by 3 teachers
7. Remote Instruction January 11-13th; cases high among students at SDIS; seeking for continued Remote Learning
8. Venue for graduation June 10, 2022 is 5:30 PM at El Morro Theater
9. Seniors did a fundraising activity in December 2021; another one is scheduled. Monies will be used towards graduation day expenses.
10. Office hours were built into the schedule on Hybrid Days

VII. Action Items

- a. Budget Adjustment Requests
 - i. Carry over funds from CARES ACT BAR 568-000-2122-24-Ib; new fiscal year award FY22 Capital Funds BAR 568-000-2122-25-I
 - ii. Motion to accept the BARS as presented made by Dr. Henderson, Second by Zowie Banteah
 - iii. Roll Call of Approval – Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Henderson – yes, Adeline June - yes, Karen Malone – yes (Vote 4-0-0)
- b. Updated Return to School Policy
 - i. Changes PED made in alignment with CDC – for 5 Days Quarantine; definition of fully vaccinated for 18-year-old and older; Vaccinated Minors; Test to Stay changes
 - ii. Motion to accept the changes in the Return to School Policy as read by Abby Lewis made by Dr. Henderson, Second by Zowie Banteah
 - iii. Roll Call of Approval – Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Henderson – yes, Adeline June - yes, Karen Malone – yes (Vote 4-0-0)
- c. Updated Covid19 Safe Policies and Procedures
 - i. Changes to public health order - provide an overview of the requirements of all persons for being on school campus. Testing required only if person is on site. Clarification on school worker is asymptomatic vs symptomatic
 - ii. Motion to accept the Approval for Covid-19 Safe Policies & Procedures as presented by Abby Lewis made by Dr. Henderson, Second by Zowie Banteah
 - iii. Roll Call of Approval – Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Henderson – yes, Adeline June - yes, Karen Malone – yes (Vote 4-0-0)
- d. Remote Learning
 - i. Concerns presented by HA Dr. Allison on the surge of COVID-19 and asking for remote learning till February 4th.

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- ii. Board Concerns/Comments shared – Gallup IHS facility updates and concerns due to the surge; Suggested use of Navajo Nation Health Order – color red.
 - iii. Motion to approve Remote Learning till February 16th at the next scheduled Governance Council meeting made by Dr. Henderson, Second by Adeline June
 - iv. Roll Call of Approval – Zowie Banteah – yes, Dr. Henderson – yes, Adeline June - yes, Karen Malone – yes (Vote 4-0-0)
- VIII. Discussion items
 - a. Teacher Action Plans
 - i. NWEA test data and teacher action plans presented by two teachers Myko Cagalitan, ELA and Cris Rabino, Math
 - b. Special Meeting requested – scheduled for January 26th at 5:00 PM
- I. Adjourn- Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.