

SIX DIRECTIONS INDIGENOUS SCHOOL

Regular Governing Council Meeting

September 15, 2021

6:00pm,

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

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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.

Call to Order - Chair Malone

- I. Roll Call - Chair Malone
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chair Malone
 - b. Roll Call led by Chair Malone Present members: Zowie Banteah, Dr. Sharon Henderson, Wilhemina Yazzie, Adilene June, Chair Malone. Others present: Dr. Tamara Allison (Head Administrator), Amber Pena (Business Manager)

- II. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion to accept the agenda – Dr. Henderson, 2nd by Wilhemina Yazzie
 - b. Roll Call of Approval of Minutes; Wilhemina Yazzie-yes, Zowie Banteah-yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson – yes, Adeline June – yes Chair Malone-yes (Vote 5-0- 0).

- III.
 - a. August 18, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes – Wilhemina motions to accept the minutes; 2nd motion by Zowie Banteah
 - b. Wilhemina Yazzie-yes, Zowie Banteah-yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson – yes, Adeline June – yes Chair Malone-yes (Vote 5-0- 0).

- IV. Public Comment
 - a. No public comment

- V. Informational
 - a. Finance Committee Report- Karen Malone
 - i. EA hires were discussed as monies are available
 - b. Finance Report - Amber Peña
 - i. Ms. Pena reported school budget balance
 - ii. No outstanding RFRs
 - c. Head Administrator’s Report – Dr. Tamara Allison

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- i. In – person learning reflections
- ii. October 1st deadline for funding of ESSER III – requesting a special board meeting for this new fund by next week September 29 or 30
- iii. Adding 4 days to the calendar – will need adjustments on new calendar
- iv. SDIS hired a federal grants consultant effective September 14th
- v. EA personnel needed – job description will be sent out soon
- vi. 3 AmeriCorps Volunteers will be onboard within the next month
- vii. Arrival of Math teacher – learning experience with foreign hires
- viii. Curriculum & Instruction – audits were done for high school students so they know what courses were needed for graduation
- ix. Developing Quarter 1 Course Mapping
- x. Cottonwood Gulch will be resuming the Wilderness Aid Program
- xi. Zuni Language & Culture Teacher and PE teacher will be trained in the Outride Biking Program
- xii. NIYL will be able to provide Project Venture for middle school students
- xiii. Seniors are working on applying to the Davis Scholarship during their Honors Thesis class
- xiv. Hybrid Schedule – middle school are in twice a week Monday and Wednesday; high school on other days Tuesday and Thursday. It is a 4 Day schedule – no school Friday.

VI. Action Items

- a. Addition of New Members
 - i. Need to reach out to possible member
- b. Updated Return to School Policy was approved Vote 5-0- 0
 - i. Most recently the language was updated in this policy according to law
 - ii. Motion by Adeline, Second motion by Dr. Sharon Henderson. Wilhemina Yazzie-yes, Zowie Banteah-yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson – yes, Adeline June – yes Chair Malone-yes (Vote 5-0- 0).
- c. Coronavirus Emergency Paid Sick Leave Policy was approved Vote 5-0- 0
 - i. Motion by Dr. Henderson, Second by Wilhemina Yazzie
 - ii. Wilhemina Yazzie-yes, Zowie Banteah-yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson – yes, Adeline June – yes Chair Malone-yes (Vote 5-0- 0).
- d. Budget Adjustment Requests
 - i. No action taken
- e. Selection of Board Committees Members
 - i. Family Advisory Committee – parent of student, Adeline June, Wilhemina Yazzie
 - ii. Finance Committee – Keeper of Finance Karen Malone, Zowie Banteah
 - iii. Facilities Committee – not needed at the moment
 - iv. Audit Committee – Chair Karen Malone, community volunteer, Keeper of Finance, Head Administrator, Dr. Henderson

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- v. Indigenous Education Committee – Wilhemina Yazzie, Dr. Henderson, Zowie Banteah
- vi. Motion by Dr. Henderson, Second by Wilhemina Yazzie
- vii. Wilhemina Yazzie-yes, Zowie Banteah-yes, Dr. Sharon Henderson – yes, Adeline June – yes Chair Malone-yes (Vote 5-0- 0).

VII. Discussion items

- a. October Meeting Agenda
- b. Special Meeting at 5:30 on September 22, 2021

IV. Meeting Adjourned at 7:26 PM