

# SIX DIRECTIONS INDIGENOUS SCHOOL

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The <u>Six Directions Indigenous School</u> (SDIS) mission is to empower students through culturally relevant Indigenous education and interdisciplinary project-based learning, fostering critically conscious, engaged, and well-rounded individuals prepared for post-secondary success, according to their website. This involves developing students who are critically aware of societal issues, have a strong sense of well-being, and are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in higher education and beyond.

Six Directions Indigenous School Governing Council Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 29, 2025 | 5:30 PM Student Council Room & via Zoom Zoom Link:

https://zoom.us/j/97822280570?pwd=xnuwUbWDCXv3aYoYFLWoIMbMsjBvcf.1

Meeting ID: 978 2228 0570

Passcode: 7292025

#### I. Call to Order and Roll Call

• Chair Wilhelmina Yazzie called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

#### • Attendance:

- Wilhelmina Yazzie (Chair) Present
- o Louella Poblano (Secretary) Present
- Mato Present
- Ky George Present
- Diana Kostelecky Absent

Quorum: Yes

Guests Present: Dr. Becenti (NISN), Rebecca Niiha (Head Administrator), community

members: Natalie Valadez, Renee Cleveland

**Public Comment:** None.

## II. Approval Items

| Item                               | Motion By  | Second<br>By   | Vote Summary                                  | Notes                   |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------|---|-------------------------|
| May 27, 2025<br>Minutes            | Louella    | Mato           | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Approved                |
| July 29, 2025 Agenda               | Mato       | Ky             | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Approved                |
| MOU – NISN Navajo<br>Language      | Wilhelmina | Louella        | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Abstain, D: Absent | Dr. Becenti presented   |
| BARS (42–47)                       | Ку         | Mato           | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | List included in packet |
| UNM-G CCTE<br>MOU                  | Louella    | Wilhel<br>mina | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Approved                |
| Ashiwi Transit MOU                 | Mato       | Ky             | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Approved                |
| Acceptance of<br>Resignation – Daw | Wilhelmina | Louella        | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Formal acceptance       |
| Removal –<br>Kallestewa            | Ky         | Mato           | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Pursuant to bylaws      |
| Committee<br>Appointments          | Louella    | Wilhel<br>mina | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Committees updated      |
| Outreach Sign-Up                   | Mato       | Ky             | W: Yes, L: Yes, M: Yes, K: Yes, D: Absent     | Confirmed commitments   |

#### **IV. Discussion Item**

#### **Scheduling of Facilities Committee and Stakeholder Invitations**

- Date to be finalized.
- Invitations to parents, staff, and chapter officials discussed.

## V. Reports

## Head Administrator Report (Rebecca Niiha):

- Enrollment updates provided.
- Staffing needs and upcoming professional development shared.
- Legislative updates discussed.

## VI. Adjournment

• Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

#### **Certification:**

I certify that the above minutes are a true and accurate record of the Six Directions Indigenous School Governing Council meeting held on July 29, 2025.

Wilhelmina Yazzie, Chair