

The Learning Cornerstone  
Community Advisory Committee Meeting  
August 11, 2005

**Attending:**

Sonya Banyacya  
Willie Begay  
Helen Billy  
Roxanne Dean  
Geneva Durkee  
Claude Endfield  
Heidi Fulcher  
Sharon Macedo  
Gail Sadler  
Tomie Zamora

Minutes of May 2, 2005 meeting were approved.

**NPC Report:**

Heidi Fulcher – Director, Division of Developmental Services, Winslow:

NPC is ready for fall. The format has changed on the new schedules. TLC schedule is starting on page 40, and it now lists all section numbers for each class. Fall registration starts tomorrow. Ft. Defiance, and Dilkon are not scheduled this semester due to MOU not being signed yet. Seba and Whitecone are possible alternate sites for classrooms. Greasewood classes are delayed. A possible schedule is September 19 to December 9 making it a 12-week session. Willie Begay is now coordinator for Northern Navajo and Apache counties. Final report to the state is due Monday. This year we have 187 students. Educational gains are the same as last year at 42.7%. Adult Education Coordination and Planning Project (AECAP) is a national project for teachers, four full time instructors, data collector Dawn Johnson and Heidi are on the team for NPC. Wal-Mart is giving TLC two grants, one \$1,000 for Winslow which will be used for text books and tests and one \$2,000-\$3,000 for Show Low which will be used to set up class at McNary and test fees. Another pending special project involves Learning Assistants helping students with retention.

**WIA Report:**

Navajo County- Gail Sadler

Transportation is still a problem to get clients to the GED testing. The GED Plus classes in Show Low and Winslow are waiting on funding for another class later this year. Program took a big hit. Will do a summer youth program next year.

**Member Reports:**

Claude Endfield–N.P.C., Holbrook:

Has student in her program that received a GED 2 years ago and received the 6 credit free from NPC. She is now just 1 class short of her degree. Have scholarships available for non-head start people (for 3 credits and 3 books) who do childcare in their homes. Call 1-800-266-7845 x 7335 for more information.

Helen Billy- Chinle Dine' Empowerment Center TANF, Chinle:

Has MOA back with corrections for Chinle. Chinle TANF GED class started today. Thanks to Gail for the idea on the GED Plus classes. Working to get sub-office in Pinon by end of month.

Sonia Banyacya-EOC/NAU, Holbrook:

Writing grant this year and would like a support letter from NPC. New changes on the GI bill for veterans are going into effect the end of August. Has been going to Ft. Defiance every Tuesday.

Sharon Macedo-Navajo County WIA:Winslow:

Our program is giving clients (GED testers) lunch money. Show Low had 8 clients in the GED Plus class. Out of the class 3 clients did not take the GED test due to personal problems, 5 clients tested with 2 clients passing the GED. In Winslow 7 clients in class, 6 clients tested, 2 will retest within a month, 4 passed. Patty Steiner is a great instructor.

Geneva Durkee-Navajo County Library District, Holbrook: *access to Learn-Test speed*

Library has reading tests at 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade level. There are also 14 laptops available which could be used at McNary as long as they have a high link. Tutors need to let students know literacy collections are available. Have free tests available on [learningexpress.com](http://learningexpress.com) go to [www.navajoco.lib.az.us](http://www.navajoco.lib.az.us) to get link.

Roxanne Dean-Arizona Affiliation of Indian Centers, Winslow:

Program has money available for part time work experience. Referring clients to NPC.

Willie Begay- ABE Special Sites Coordinator for Apache and Navajo Counties, Chinle:

Received call from Ft Defiance regarding MOA; will meet with them on Monday. Will be covering 9 sites now. Chinle TANF has 2 labs, Chinle High School has 4 labs (might change site to Jr. High). Ganado has 2 labs (might need 2 more labs). Shonto is a go; registration is tomorrow. Pinon has 2 labs (looking for another instructor). Round Rock is pending right now. Greasewood will be delayed till September. Dilkon will be canceled. Ft. Defiance is still pending.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next meeting:

November 2, 2005  
CEC Holbrook  
11:30-1:30