

Navajo County Community College District Special Board Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2024 – 10:08a.m.

Painted Desert Campus, Tiponi Community Center
2251 East Navajo Boulevard, Holbrook, Arizona

Governing Board Member Present: Chair Everett Robinson; Ms. Kristine Laughter; Mr. Frank Lucero; Mr. Derrick Leslie; Ms. Rosie Sekayumtewa.

Governing Board Member Absent:

Others Present: President Chato Hazelbaker; Vice President for Learning and Student Services (VPLSS) Mike Solomonson; Vice President for Administrative Services (VPAS) Maderia Ellison; Associate Vice President of Human Resources (AVPHR) Christine Schaefer; Director of Institutional Effectiveness Judy Yip-Reyes; Chief Information Officer Michael Jacob; Recording Secretary to the Board Farah Bughio; Norvita Charleston; Jeremy Raisor; Michael Broyles; Russell Kupfer; Nicole Ulibarri; Betsy Wilson; Katie Matott; Melody Niesen; Rebeccah Sweet; Gary Reyes; Jillian Henry; Allison Landy; Rich Chanick; Frank Pinnell; Colleen Marsh; Muriel Metcalf; Ruth Zimmerman; Celia Iguado; Sandy Caldwell; Charles DiCarlo; Tamara Osborne; Lia Keenan; Josh Rogers; Maria Jaquez; Natalie Kee; Shanna Kukla; Rebecca Hunt; Erin Pugh; Amanda Sutter; Kristina Jensen; Tribune; Tabitha Stickel

Agenda Item 1: Call to Order

Chair Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Agenda Item 2: Request to Approve 2024-25 Proposed Tax Rate & Levy

VPAS Ellison reviewed the Request to Approve the 2024-2025 Proposed Tax Rate and Levy.

Ms. Laughter asked for clarification on how much funding was received from property taxes in Navajo County. VPAS Ellison confirmed the amount.

Ms. Laughter asked for clarification on how much funding was received from equalization aid. VPAS Ellison confirmed the amount. Ms. Laughter added that those living on the Navajo Nation did not pay property tax and asked if that is why NPC received equalization aid. VPAS Ellison responded that equalization aid was based on property tax values and that Navajo County has some of the lowest values in the state.

*Ms. Laughter moved to set the 2024-2025 primary property tax rate at 1.7707, generating a tax levy of \$18,340,750 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Leslie. **The vote carried upon a roll-call vote, with affirmative votes from Mr. Lucero, Chair Robinson, Mr. Leslie, Ms. Laughter and Ms. Sekayumtewa. There were no votes against.***

Agenda Item 3: Request to Approve 2024-2025 Budget

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VPAS Ellison reviewed the proposed 2024-2025 budget.

No questions.

Mr. Leslie moved to approve the proposed 2024-2025 budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Laughter. The vote carried upon a roll-call vote, with affirmative votes from Ms. Sekayumtewa, Mr. Lucero, Chair Robinson, Mr. Leslie, and Ms. Laughter. There were no votes against.

Agenda Item 4: Request to Adopt 2025-2027 Proposed Capital Budget

VPAS Ellison reviewed the 2025-2027 capital budget proposal.

No questions.

Ms. Laughter moved to approve the proposed 2025-2027 Capital Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sekayumtewa. The vote carried upon a roll-call vote, with affirmative votes from Ms. Sekayumtewa, Mr. Lucero, Chair Robinson, Mr. Leslie and Ms. Laughter. There were no votes against.

Agenda Item 5: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m. upon a motion by Mr. Lucero and a second by Ms. Sekayumtewa. The motion carried upon a roll-call vote with Ms. Sekayumtewa, Mr. Lucero, Chair Robinson, Mr. Leslie, and Ms. Laughter voting in favor. There were no votes against.

Respectfully submitted,



Farah Bughio
Recording Secretary to the Board

