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**NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE NAVAJO NATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
Thursday, December 4, 2025, at 9:00 AM**

Via In-Person and Teleconference
[Zoom Link](#)

PRESIDING: Nadine Chatto, President | Freda Nells, Vice President | Andrea Thomas, Secretary
PLACE: Department of Diné Education, Sunrise Conference Room, Window Rock, Arizona 86515

The Department of Diné Education is encouraging members of the public to view and access the Governing Board meeting at the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/9288717474?pwd=5AmrXHsbrYAuvpog5KRXDuleE18xHy.1&omn=93453698199>

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The Navajo Nation Board of Education has the right to call an executive session, if necessary, to discuss personnel, legal and confidential matters.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL:

___ Dr. Pauletta White	___ Sharon Toadecheenie	___ Nadine M. Chatto
___ Andrea K. Thomas	___ Freda K. Nells	___ Spencer W. Willie
___ Dr. Henry Fowler	___ Joan A. Gray	___ Emerson John
___ Eugene Badonie		

3. INVOCATION:

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES OR LESS): *(Requires a Public Comment Form)*

6. REPORTS/DISCUSSION ON ACTION ITEMS: (15 MINUTES OR LESS):
(Documents Provided in Hyperlinks)

A. **Approval/Disapproval:** Minutes - NNBOE [Regular Board Meeting – November 13, 2025](#)

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NAVAJO NATION BOARD OF EDUCATION

Nadine M. Chatto, **President** · Freda Nells, **Vice President** · Andrea K. Thomas, **Secretary**

Members: Dr. Henry Fowler · Joan A. Gray · Emerson John

Spencer W. Willie · Sharon A Toadecheenie · Dr. Pauletta White

Claudia Edgewater-Russell, **(A) Superintendent of Schools**

- B. **Approval/Disapproval:** [Resolution](#) - Relating to Education and Research; Supporting the Research Study: *“Diné Educational Sovereignty: Enacting Self-Determination in Navajo Tribally Controlled K–12 Schools.”*

 [Research Summary](#)

- C. **Approval/Disapproval -** [Resolution](#): Supporting and Approving the Removal of Two (2) Inactive Navajo Head Start Policy Council Members: Herbianna Lee (Chinle District) and Monique John (Shiprock District)

 **Missed** [Meeting Notices](#)

- D. **Approval/Disapproval:** [Extension Request](#); Approving an Extension of the Reauthorization of the Na'Neelzhiin Ji Olta Inc. (Three Months, ending February 27, 2026) (Incomplete)

 ODAC [Supporting Memorandum and Recommendations](#)

2024 Audit **(Late/Not Submitted)** 2023 Audit **(Late/Not Submitted)** [Academic Data](#)

 **May 24, 2024** [Level I Sanctions Letter](#) – Notice of Change in Payment

 **April 9, 2025** [Level II Sanctions Letter](#) – Notice of Change in Payment

 **May 28, 2025 Extension Request Memo (ODAC)** **(Note: End Date - Sept. 2, 2025)**

- E. **Approval/Disapproval:** [Extension/Sanctions Request](#); Approving an Extension of the Reauthorization of the Black Mesa Community School Inc. (Three Months, ending March 31, 2026); Imposing Sanctions for Non-Compliance, Including Full Assumption

 ODAC [Supporting Memorandum and Recommendation](#)

2024 Audit **(Late/Not Submitted)** 2023 Audit [Academic Data](#)

[Current Resolution](#) (NNBEFE-1032-2025)

 **June 16, 2025** [Level I Sanctions Letter](#) – Notice of Change in Payment

 **May 28, 2025 Extension Request Memo (ODAC)** **(Note: End Date - Sept. 2, 2025)**

 Black Mesa [Audit Submission Dates](#) (2017-2024)

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: (Legal, Personnel, Other Matters, etc.)**

A. School Concerns/Matters

8. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION; Action Item(s) Resulting from Executive Session**

A.

9. **REPORTS: (15 MINUTES OR LESS)**

B. Superintendent Report – Claudia Edgewater-Russell

C. Navajo Head Start [Assistant Superintendent's Report \(Budget\)](#)

• Detailed [NHS Budget and Expenditure Report](#)

• NHS [Immersion Expenditure Report](#)

D. Navajo Nation [Board of Education Budget Report](#) (12-1-2025)

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

11. **NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

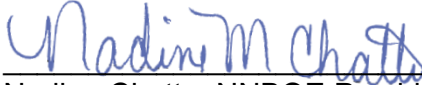
 January 8, 2026 (Thursday) at 9:00 a.m., NNBOE Regular Meeting (Window Rock, AZ)

 February 5, 2026 (Thursday) at 9:00 a.m., NNBOE Regular Meeting (Window Rock, AZ)

📅 March 6, 2025 (Thursday) at 9:00 a.m., NNBOE Regular Meeting (Window Rock, AZ)

12. ADJOURNMENT:

APPROVED:



Nadine Chatto, NNBOE President