# Tse Alnaozti'i' Chapter

# **August Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes**

by Teleconference & In Person Limit of 25 persons August 7, 2022 1 p.m.

#### T. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 1:10 p.m. by President Haskie

#### II. **ROLL CALL**

Roll Call of Officials

President: Jeanne Haskie- PRESENT

Vice-President: Gerald Henderson- PRESENT Secretary/Treasurer: Jourdan Washburn- PRESENT

Grazing Officer: Alonzo Cohoe- PRESENT Council Delegate: Amber Crotty- ABSENT

In person

1. Kori Tso

Amy Bizup- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher- Sanostee Day School line:
 Teresa Hopkins
 Tommy Nakai
 Lena Nakai
 Leta Nakai-Hall

#### Online:

- 4. Leta Nakai-Hall
- 5. Ursula Bedah

#### III. **INVOCATION**

Invocation given by Vice-President Henderson.

#### IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Haskie read resolution into record and added guest speaker Sanostee Day School.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Alonzo Cohoe

Memberships vote 5 (4 in person and 1 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) to accept the agenda.

#### REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JULY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES V.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read minutes into the record.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Kori Tso

No Discussion or corrections.

Memberships vote 5 (4 in person and 1 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to accept the minutes.

#### VI. **GUEST SPEAKER(S):**

1. Sanostee Day School- Jessica Ver Wys reported. The new principal at Sanostee Day School. I'm originally from Grand Rapids, MI. I moved out to New Mexico about 20 years ago and I've been serving the communities in the Four Corners area during that time. School officially started actually this past Wednesday on the third. However, we are still more than willing to accept enrollment. The numbers are a little low right now, but we are hoping that once the surrounding areas also begin school that that will pick up and our numbers will increase. We have a couple of new staff members. Here, with me is Amy Bizup, she will be teaching second and third grade at our school. We have them looking at the curriculum and community involvement projects, different activities to bring the parents into the school and involved in their children's education and different ways.

That school can support the activities that are going on in the Community as well. Questions? President Haskie: How many how many staff do you have?

Jessica Ver Wys: We currently have, including myself, we have 12 full time staff. In addition to that we have one part time staff that we share with Beclabito for doing our IT computer updates, network issues, etcetera. And then we have one person that comes in every other week. To help support that individual in the IT department as well.

President Haskie: Do you have a special Ed teacher?

Jessica Ver Wys: We hired a full-time special education teacher for this year, Miss Carol Sisek, and she has already started. We had our very first ISP meeting already on Friday to help support our students, and during our staff meeting times we've had some conversations about how we're going. To make sure that the individual needs of any students requiring services are getting that as quickly as possible. How can we identify the students who are needing a little extra support from us and making sure that we get those plans in place as soon as possible. So, we have also everyone else and I am new this year. Miss Steinberg actually was working part time with the school last year and this all come on full time. The principal of Aneth is attempting to steal her away and we have told him, no. So, we are looking at making sure that she is full time and to keep it that way. As well, so a little bit of juggling that hours and then we also have two full time substitute assistants who are helping with things like interventions, culture pieces as well to make sure those are being embedded everyday into our student's education plan. There are six teachers, six academic staff, five support staff. Two part-time tech people. And then the two of us in administration that are trying to hold down the Fort, run the budget, get supplies. Something else to share in terms of enrollment. We wanted to let parents know that there will be no supply lists going out this year for students. The school has already purchased all supplies. That the students could need and that is an ongoing process to make sure that parents are not having to be concerned about trying to find a way to get into Gallup or Farmington or somewhere else to come across the things that they need, anything that we are asking the students to have. These are working class we're making sure has been provided for them.

President Haskie: I think that's the one that kicks enjoy the most, going out shopping for their stuff.

Jessica Ver Wys: I am sure they do. But I know that it can be with families who have a number of children and I've seen it happen year after year that it can be a little relaxing. Schools can get expensive. The older they get, the more supplies that they need and the more responsible supplies become. And so, if we could just take a little bit of that edge off then we are more than happy to take care of that within our own school budget to make sure that everyone is starting kind of on level grounds. Everyone will have the supplies and materials that they need to be successful this year.

Kori Tso: How do you work out how many students per teacher?

Jessica Ver Wys: We have our we have right now for you full time certified licensed teachers and they are covering all of the core content. We have reading, math and writing. And then I have support staff that are in the academic department, are covering science and social studies. So that all of our students are receiving their core instructions from a licensed certified teacher. And another place I worked that's kind of concerned that despite how talented and experienced our support staff is, parents are still a little concerned about the idea of their students having new, quote UN quote real certified educator. And so, they are doing what we call departmentalizing.

Where those three certified staff are collaborating with the support staff to make sure that what their instruction they're getting is aligned. Then the teachers then students go back and forth depending on which content area that these kids are receiving instruction in. We made that decision as the administrator before we knew how many students we were going to have. I was told that last year we had around 37 students and that in years past we were running 50 to 60. And so that's why I had decided that if we have them by grade level, but the teachers teach the core subjects only, that gives them the flexibility to work with more students throughout the day, as well as giving the students that consistency. They are receiving their core instruction from the same adults from day-to-day instead of rearranging or bouncing from room to room. And there are a number of theories that I have been told as to enrollment. I've been told that we are competing with area schools. Who have done more advertising than we were able to. I have been they some suggested that some parents don't want their kids in separate schools because we do only go up to third grade and so there's some scheduling calendar conflicts and which I did not have a say, I came on July 5th. And things like the calendar and our start dates and a number of those aspects were already determined and in place before I got there. And I didn't want to do a lot of shuffling because the staff that had left in June, I didn't want to cause too much chaos on their return. And so, we're sort of, slowly making a few adjustments. Such as having the certified teachers teach support content, but we're leaving a lot of the other things the days, just the time we come in, the times that we leave lunch breaks. Calendar issues have not been touched at this point because they don't seem to be causing issues. I don't want to mess with anything that's not broken right now. So, the enrollment we're hoping that as we are more visible in the community and as we people start to see what we can offer the students, the smaller class sizes, having supplies, the core curriculum, etcetera, that that will be to our benefit and that parents will kind of slowly see that. We can start building those relationships again with the families and their send their children.

Vice-President Henderson: So how many students do you have?

Jessica Ver Wys: As of 1:00 o'clock on Friday. We have 22 students enrolled full-time. However, we did on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. We did have a number of parents come in, three to four parents who came in and filled out registration packets and said that they preferred that their children start fresh on Monday morning. So those numbers will probably hopefully go up tomorrow and then I also know that some of the surrounding schools are also starting tomorrow. I asked my office staff to be prepared for an influx of enrollment packets. As everyone gets back into that grove. Follow up tomorrow and then I also know that some of the surrounding schools are also starting tomorrow so where I'm expecting and I asked my office staff to be prepared and everybody started to get back on their own schedules again. Vice-President Henderson: What's the what's the limit?

Jessica Ver Wys: How many students we can have because of the layout of the school, according to the Bureau, which is a little bit different than the state numbers. The state numbers are lower in terms of how many students we can have per class. According to Bureau of Indian Education, we can have up to 20 in kindergarten. So, we can have up to 22 in first, second, third grade. So technically we can have up to about 86 children on campus, assuming that there's only one adult per group. If we were to suddenly get a large influx and we wanted more, we could put in a request for additional funding. Hire more support staff, which would then give us half again, more that we're allowed to have per room up to like 30 to 35 per room if we have two adults in every grade level, but right now we only have one. That counts us at about 86 children.

President Haskie: Do you have Navajo Language classes?

Jessica Ver Wys: We are having a formal classes during for the kids during the week. We have also invented because of one of the grants that we got and some of the way the funding is determined, we are rotating. Um, Navajo language and culture with art, physical education and either library or computer sciences. And then we are also working with an initiative this year that the staff and I have discussed that we are embedding some aspect of language and culture into all of their lessons every day, all day. So, some component or reference or a small language piece in science, social studies, math, and they're reading.

President Haskie: So, you as your new principal, have you checked to see how our grade our students? Achievement was last year and what do you need to work on this coming year?

Jessica Ver Wys: Have not been given access yet to last year's data. I was however able to find I did a little bit of research online right before I came on that the last formalized data that was important to the state was the 18-19 school year. Because of what happened during the 19-20 there was no testing and then 2021 and 2022 were similar. Because we have so many children off campus and because of connection issues, the lack of. Ability to get online or make sure that the tests were standardized and it said that at that point we were looking at about 8 to 20% proficiency in both reading and math. And so, because of that, we have, I did a little bit of rearranging with the schedule based on my teaching experience. I've taught preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade for the last 20 years and a couple of different schools. And so, we have embedded 30 minutes of intensive reading interventions and 30 minutes of intensive math intervention to start our day every day. We have gone over the math and reading curriculum to see what are the important components that we need to make sure our addressed in the lessons every day. We have spent some time looking at both online resources as well as face to face and hands on activities that we can use to start to fill in. The gaps that have been identified in some of these previous testing measures, the teachers spent these first three days doing some screenings of the students in their homerooms and looking at of where are some of the areas that we need to hit right away. Things like, decoding skills. When it comes to reading, computation in the area of math or basic skills, and then we spent some time Friday at our staff meeting talking about what are the resources we already have that we can start using to address those. And what are the resources any of us have used in other schools or know people who have used them in other schools. That we can bring into our school. It is part of our regular repertoire that we can start addressing some of those areas and get our kids up to where we know they can be.

President Haskie: Yeah. It would be really nice to get our kids back up to the level because of the two years that they really suffered; you know.

Jessica Ver Wys: And that seems to be the trend that my teachers reported was that the students were coming in at approximately 2 years. Yeah, below grade level. But we also know that at this age, students are sponges and if we give them the opportunities. To practice those skills and the chance to show their knowledge that they will rise to the occasion and they will need those goals. So, we're looking forward to seeing that this year.

President Haskie: I guess one other thing that I really would like to recommend to you and your staff is to have a session on how you can bring more kids in. What are some things you can do as a school that's a little different from maybe from the other schools and that could be a way to attract more kids right in our community.

Jessica Ver Wys: We talked a little bit about what our parents looking for. Yeah, what are our families looking for in terms of their education, support services, after school enrichment activities? We talked a little bit just for just a couple of minutes about the idea of trying to.

Find one or two days a week to do some after school activities and a little bit of tutoring, a little bit of Fine Arts, a little bit of just relationship building. Between our students and our staff and our community, and so we hit the ground running this week. I mean, we the kids were ready and they were all excited to be there. And Ms. Barber brought her little kindergarteners to my office and they were telling me how excited they weren't showing me that their hair had gotten really long and wanted me to see. The new shoes, and they were so excited to be there. It was so great to have that energy in the building and to see how excited they were and to be back on campus with their friends and back to kind of a little bit more of what they're used to, a little bit more routine. I've been talking to people; I know what other schools I come from. Wingate Elementary is where I spent the last seven years. And so, I've talked a little bit to my former principal as well as some of the staff I have over there because a lot of schools are looking at low numbers right now. We're really trying to offer what our families and communities are looking for and giving our kids the best education that we can. President Haskie: I just want to point out that that one-time Sanostee was considered one of the highest schools by the Navajo tribe.

Jessica Ver Wys: Well, we're looking forward to it being up there again and because I am one of those that I like to brag on my students. I always had graphs posted when I was classroom teacher. Look at how much. But we made and look at, you know, you know what we what are these kids have managed what our kids have managed to achieve because you give up, you give kids the opportunity to show what they know, and they'll do it. So that's what we're doing. I'm excited. Like we've got a great staff who came in very energized, ready to go full of ideas. We got sidetracked at every single meeting we had during orientation, talking about different resources because everybody had worked somewhere else at some point as well and see or his family that works in other places. And so, there's all these ideas. All of these resources, all of these strategies that we are kind of sifting through right now to bring in the best of what we all have to offer.

Vice-President Henderson: What about going to KNDN as announcing too?

Jessica Ver Wys: We looked into doing like a radio spot. I have never handled that before. I know that my previous schools have done that. When did actually did a remote broadcast every year from their parking lot and had someone come out and do it right there and had the different staff speak up. Before school started, I was not able to find the information in a timely manner on how to get that done, but we do. My business technician is working on it. I still will be looking into that because we know that there is still time to let families know that we are accepting enrollment and that we are excited to work with their kids and so she is looking into it.

Phyllis Todacheene: When will you allow the schoolboard to meet?

Jessica Ver Wys: We are working with an attempting to meet with the school board and still need one more background check cleared, as that is a requirement. Once those are done, we can have those meetings. I am excited to meet and look at the future of our school. I did send updates out to yourself and madam present on what has been happening at the school. Until I get the okay from my supervisor, we will continue to send out those updates that you can share with others and the community.

Phyllis Todacheene: There really is a need for a better communication between the school board, BIE and Sanostee Day School. I'd appreciate that if that can be done.

Jessica Ver Wys: I agree. I had to hit the ground running; this is my first year as an administrative. I can tell you, the way things done at BIE and Public schools are different. Communication is one of the issues brought up between all entities. I've made that a priority of my own to make things more effective.

Kerby Johnson: I know I had to complete my background checks as well, in order to step on the premises for the safety of the children. I agree communication needs to be clearer with BIE and the school. Thank you for letting me speak.

Vice-President Henderson: I know BIA has a COOP plan.

Jessica Ver Wys: Yes, there is an emergency plan. We had our first fire drill and I was also not included in the drill. We will have fire drills, evacuation and lockdown drills. Those are all in review. We will make sure everyone is aware of the COOP plan.

President Haskie: Do you have the Chapter involved?

Jessica Ver Wys: I will have to continue to read the plan. I wasn't on staff yet when it was made. So, I will find that out and let you know. We can find ways to modify it, with BIE's guidance, if it needs to be.

Vice-President Henderson: We have an emergency response team and the Day School is apart of it. I would like to see someone apart of the ALERT.

Jessica Ver Wys: One of our transportation specialists was our point of contact between us and the Chapter. He came to the emergency meeting and gave us a full report. I related all to the central office, we closed early that day. We were hearing the feedback from here and surrounding areas. We even got pictures and sent with Mr. Macintosh, my supervisor.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS:

**1. Resolution No. TAT-22-08-54.** AN ACT APPROVING THE INTRAGOVERNMENTAL OFFICE SPACE USE AGREEMENT WITH SANOSTEE CHAPTER AND SANOSTEE SENIOR CENTER.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and agreement into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Gerald Henderson Second by Kori Tso

Memberships vote 10 (7 in person and 3 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

**1. Resolution No. TAT-22-08-55.** ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2022 WITH ATTACHMENT A & B.

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn and read financial reports with attachment A & B.: Budget to Actual, Revenue and Expenditures and Balance Sheet to membership. Reports were provided to membership by paper document, Zoom and Facebook live.

Riley Begay: On # 12, what's the purpose of emergency money?

President Haskie: All chapters have emergency fund, given by Window Rock. You can only use it when the President of the Navajo Nation declares emergency, something that effects the whole Nation.

Riley Begay: Another question, for Alonzo, other chapters gave out salt blocks and grain or feed. We only got hay.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: The emergency monies, for example, when it was snowing, we used the emergency money for firewood and that was given out. It depends on the declaration as well. In this amount, we have already budgeted for wood and coal if a winter emergency comes up.

Alonzo Cohoe: The feed program. We mostly said for hay because you get more feed out of hay versus grain. We still have some of that funding left over, not a lot though. We might be getting some salt blocks too. We had understood it, we will buy the hay and you buy the grain or salt. We had 4 different hay, starting at \$18/bale. So, we will be getting some.

Riley Begay: The handicap ramp and walk in shower. How does someone apply for this? My brother falls a lot and my sister the same too. She needs a ramp and walk in shower.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: If you want to get on the handicap ramp listing, please call the Chapter and get on the listing. Your sister is already on there. Your brother can call to get on. There are currently 32 handicap ramps that are pending that need to be evaluated, estimate of materials, also based upon the referrals. It might be a good idea to have the CHR come evaluate. Carpenter crew will be done middle of September, but the next crew will continue on come October.

Riley Begay: What about sewer clean out?

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: We only have money for 2 individuals. Once we get more funding, hopefully by the next month, your sister is on the list too. Once we get the funding, we start calling down the list.

Berlinda Dickson: We had your brother on the listing, but he refused. Only because he said his kids are going to take care of it. The family was going to take over.

Fernando Duncan: Thank you to the presentation earlier from the ladies, it's good to get an update about the school. I really appreciate the bridge being built after so many years of having to find alternate routes. When I worked here before, we had a Road Committee, BIA, NDOT and our own operator. I live on the North side and there is a culvert on the main road that was washed out from the rain, can emergency money be used to fix that?

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: When the rain hit on Thursday, that area has been a problem every time it rains. The culvert is full of debris and half of the culvert washed out. Glenn and Tom Tsosie, they did what they can do to make it a one lane. BIA and NDOT are going to fix and replace those culverts. They are planning to be out here in two weeks to take care of that.

Fernando Duncan: I am not going to be so concerned about my area, it's everywhere. By my turnoff, the culvert is plugged too. Maybe there is funding for that. It's a blessing we get rain but the aftermath is what we have to work with.

President Haskie: On Wednesday, there is a Road Committee meeting, I am sure that's going to be a long meeting. They'll be discussing that as well. I know Cyndi speaks on the behalf of that area. They have representatives from different directions and you can speak with them as well.

Motion by Gerald Henderson Second by Alonzo Cohoe

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Memberships vote 11 (11 in person) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the financial report and resolution.

**Resolution No. TAT-22-08-56.** ACCEPTING AND APPROVING NEW MEMBERSHIP OF MS. SARAH WHITE TO THE TSE ALNAOZTI'I CHAPTER COMMUNITY LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution into record.

Kori Tso: This new member, are they able to go out, review, evaluate and walk the land, is Sarah able to do that?

President Haskie: I don't know, I didn't ask that kind of question when they submitted their letter of interest. I believe that's personal.

Vice-President Henderson: Back in the day, we usually have people come over and stand before the Chapter meeting. That's how we usually accept them. Is Sarah on the line? It should stay as is, come to the meeting and talk about how they want to be on the subcommittee.

Motion to TABLE by Gerald Henderson Second by Kori Tso

Memberships vote 11 (11 in person) in favor, 0 opposed and 2 (1 in person and 1 online) abstained to TABLE the resolution and defer to next chapter meeting.

**2. Resolution No. TAT-22-08-56.** RECOMMENDING AND SUPPORTING A FIBER OPTIC BROADBAND BUILDOUT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIBER OPTIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS E-RATE FUNDING, AND OTHER FUNDING SOURCES.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution into record.

Floor was given to Teresa Hopkins from Sacred Winds Communication.

Ms. Hopkins was on teleconference line and went through the Power Point Presentation, copy provided to membership and attached to the minutes.

Fernando Duncan: There is a fiberoptic line near his residence on the Northside. He contacted Frontier and was told they cannot connect towards his home. He has bad cell service in his area, hence why he wants internet at his home. He had to do the satellite option and he pays over \$100 for poor service.

Teresa Hopkins: Depending on the type of technology installed, that determines what the carrier can provide. Wireless has to see each other; cell service won't work. With frontier, they have fiber optic and NTUA has fiber going up 491. Sacred Winds will as well. Each business decides how they want to use the fiber. The 2.5 set up is different. We won't know if this will work in your area. We won't know until equipment is all set up.

Tommy Nakai: Hertz, is it bits or Hertz?

Teresa Hopkins: Megabytes.

Tommy Nakai: That the maximum?

Teresa Hopkins: Fiber has no limitations. If you are on fixed wireless, depending on the equipment, fastest is 25 MB. Depends on the equipment on engineering. 25 MB is the minimum. Vice-President Henderson: The lines, I know Frontier came in and a lot of people they were complaining that a lot of the service didn't get to their place. We are really in the remote area. I don't know why they didn't run the lines to some of these residents in our area. Your company, are you guaranteeing, the lines will run to every residence in the community?

Teresa Hopkins: That would depend on who is authorized in that service area. State of NM is the one that regulates what areas can be serviced. We cannot step into Frontier's territory. A partnership could be done, allowing extension to the community. The important thing is to get fiber in the community and then go from there. A new type of technology, like a blimp, hovers over the communities. That's something we are looking at as well.

Motion by Fernando Duncan

Second by Lindsey Benally

Memberships vote 7 (6 in person and 1 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

**3. Resolution No. TAT-22-08-57.** ADOPTING AN INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR TSE ALNAOZTI'I' FOR FY 2024-2028.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and listing into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Kori Tso

Memberships vote 9 (7 in person and 2 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

**4. Resolution No. TAT-22-08-58.** AN ACT AMENDING THE PROJECT APPLICATION FOR THE RECORDS CLERK.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution into record.

Fernando Duncan: It will be good, I support it, to get the Chapter LGA certified.

Motion by Fernando Duncan

Second by Gerald Henderson

Memberships vote 12 (8 in person and 4 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution

### IV. REPORT(S):

- 1. Council Delegate, Amber Crotty- Not present in person or on teleconference line.
- 2. Chapter Business Update

President Haskie gave floor to Secretary/Treasurer to report.

9 PEP Employees. Summer Youth Supervisor ends on Monday. All ending September 16, 2022 to end the fiscal year of 22. September will be advertising month and hire in October. Next chapter meeting need support to advertise for the positions.

- Officially offered an individual the CSC Position. AMS is still being advertised.
- o Housing Discretionary Applications being accepting this month, in August.
- o In September we will have a full report on the Summer Youth Program.

Fernando Duncan: The bridge project, just want to say thank you for getting that done. I appreciate the three officials and Alonzo for your work.

# 3. Tse Alnaozti'i Veterans Organization- Commander Billey reported.

- o Code talker from Shiprock passed, Samuel Sandoval.
- o Commander from Burnham passed, Leon Spencer.
- Window Rock protest on July 18<sup>th</sup> due to the budget. There were not much people there. There was supposed to be four resolutions passed for the Veterans, including the budget. Not sure where that is either. There was supposed to be a special meeting, but that didn't happen either.
- TVO meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> but it's a holiday. Needs to be rescheduled, possibly to the 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Northern Agency was going to be on the 12<sup>th</sup> here, but there are still restrictions. The chapters are not open. President Nez said in July it would get reopened but it's still closed. He needs to open everything back up. The virus isn't going away.
- We still support going to 110 Council Delegates.
- We are worried about things like what happened in Gallup.

Nelson Begay added. Yesterday, during the memorial for the late legacy code talker, Sandoval. There was a lot of people who joined the memorial. It was sad but we paid our respects and honor. During the gathering, one of our own relatives from here Christine Benally. She sang the Marine Corps hymn in Navajo. Outstanding job. It was honor. August 14<sup>th</sup>, is Navajo Code Talkers Day, taking place in Window Rock. Museum groundbreaking, special event taking place to honor all the Code talkers. Our respect goes to all those who served in WWII. I think our leaders need to be there, to honor and pay our respects. We will need to reschedule TVO Meeting.

## 4. Grazing Official, Alonzo Cohoe.

- o 2 Homesite Lease clearances this month.
- o 5 tally counts this month, end of September is the deadline. Currently have over 100 Tally Counts completed. Still waiting on few to complete. Call me to complete yours, text me 505-354-3028.
- o I was out of town when the huge rain hit. One of the things, on these roads, some are really soft now. We are probably going to be getting potholes on the asphalt. Everything is settling now. So please be aware of those. Be careful with those running waters, let it go down and then you can cross. We will probably be informing Forestry, Division of Natural Resources of the areas we have concern.

Leo Billey: Tell the grader man, he went off the side of the road and graded that area. You told us that wasn't okay.

President Haskie: The road, we got a call to fix that area. There was a pipe that was a concern, they didn't want to go over it. They made it passable for those residents. So, it was okay that it happened.

- **5.** Community Land Use Planning Committee- Phyllis Todacheene commented, CLUPC will report in September.
- 6. Community Road Committee- Not present in person or on teleconference line.

# 7. ALERT/CERT Team- Team Leader Gerald Henderson reported.

- On July 28<sup>th</sup>, there was a large storm that came through. Emergency meeting was held. Thank you to all that attended and voiced their concerns. A lot of roads were damaged.
- o Declaration of Emergency was established that day by our Chapter President.
- o Resources all came together (Fire Dept, EMS, CHR, NTEC, Community Members, NDOT)
- Operations were established: Tse Alnaozti'i Chapter July 2022- Rainfall/Water Disaster
- We made sure we had all our FEMA Documents together, Jourdan and Beronica worked on those every day. This week we should close out. Right now, just being prepared if the rain comes like that again.
- o Emergency shelter was in place. A couple of them slept in their vehicles.
- Navajo Nation President joined us and we took him to troubled areas that needed major attention
- We had community members help with keeping us all fed as we continued our operations. Even KFC provided meals to the team.
- We know there are a lot ruined roads, some belong to BIA and NDOT, from the Chapter we take into consideration our equipment. NTEC helped us out with grading some roads as well.
- When water is running in the washes, we ask for people to be careful. Don't drive through that. It's important to remember your safety.
- We worked really good with the Secretary/Treasurer, Beronica and our CHR. We stayed up until midnight to provide shelter. The resources really helped and we all worked out together.
- On the 4<sup>th</sup>, there was a state of emergency for the Navajo Nation given by President Jonathan Nez.
- o There were also 6 waterline breaks in the community due to the water. NTUA worked a lot to find these breaks and get them repaired.
- Our secretary has also been in contact with Window Rock, Dr. Pearl Yellowman to provide updates.

President Haskie: There is also sandbags that were made available to those who had water running into their home. There are still some too that can be picked up.

## 8. Community Health Representative, Berlinda Dickson

- o July 29<sup>th</sup> I've been on the ball with the ALERT/CERT Team. Got our operations going.
- Working closely with Incident Command Leader- Gerald, Operations- Jourdan, Linguistics/Shelter- Beronica.
- o Huge task but we already knew what we were doing.
- o I've been documenting everything.
- o I've been monitoring our community in Sanostee, we are still at hotspot community. 63 communities on the listing. We are still mask mandated.
- O I have 10 high risks in the community. I followed up with all them. One of them was running out of food and supplies. They did cross to meet me.
- On Wednesday, Jourdan called me, asked to deliver 10 cases of water to a home and I took that opportunity to check on others on the Northside. Everyone was okay.
- On the 4<sup>th</sup>, all CHR's were instructed to pick up fresh produce for the community from Huerfano. 58 members picked up a bag. I educated them on healthy eating as well. I attended the ALERT/CERT meeting that same day.
- On Friday, we got retrained/refresher course on Diabetes.
- o I cover Sanostee, Gadiiahi and Beclabito. So, I am very busy. Our program is hiring CHR's right now.

- o I use google map a lot and identify the elders in the area. Learning about getting coordinates for the community.
- o I am still giving out PPE's and test kits.
- o All my reports will be with HCOC. I continue to stay in communication with this current emergency.

# 9. Kerby Johnson, Kinteel Residential Campus

- o Enrolling student's 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Vaccine incentive- Pay up \$250 and \$150 for booster shots. Up to two per family and the student.
- o Renovating the dormitory for the upcoming school year.
- o Mr. Richard Edwards, Executive Director will be here next month to give a presentation.
- Vice President Lizer visited and see the upgrades and what has been done with the CARES and ARPA Funding.

Motion by Kori Tso

Second by Gerald Henderson

Memberships vote 9 (7 in person and 2 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to accept the reports

### V. NEXT MEETING:

- 1. September 2022 Planning Meeting: 09/4/2022 @ 1 pm
- 2. September 2022 Regular Chapter Meeting: 09/18/2022 @ 1 pm

## VI. CONCLUSION OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. August 10, 2022- Road Committee Meeting
- 2. August 12, 2022- Northern Agency Veterans Meeting
- 3. August 14, 2022- Tse Alnaozti'i Veterans Meeting
- 4. August 16, 2022- CLUPC Meeting
- 5. EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY @ 6:30 PM- FREE ZUMBA CLASSES

### VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Kori Tso

Second by Glenn Duncan

Memberships vote 9 in favor (7 in person and 2 online), 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Submitted by: Secretary/ Treasurer Jourdan Washburn on 08/08/2022.

Chapter Administration Rec'vd: