



Diné Nizhóní Incorporated
Brainstorm Meeting
Blanding, UT 84511

Present:

September 16, 2021

Andrew Dayish
Micah Daniels

Diane Benn (Zoom)
Clayton Long

Meeting started at 5:00 PM

Clayton offered the invocation.

Clayton talked more about his concept ' the New Diné Warriors' and that our focuses could be on our Language, Culture, and Community and we can help with some of this with Stories (Traditional Teachings, stories about Horned Toad) maybe even publish a book to help preserve and teach these ideas to the next generation.

Andrew give an update on our current funds currently at San Juan Credit Union. And that we need to be reorganized before we can use the money or start raising more funds. And Micah suggested that we think of who we can each bring into the fold. And asked Andrew to do more research on Desert Rivers Credit Union, if it would be wise to transfer our funds here, since we have had issues with SJCU in regards with Board members leaving and not being able to take their names off the account.

Andrew talked about the board composition, and that it normally has 4 officers: President, VP, Secretary and Treasurer, and sometimes those last two are held by one person.

Micah talked about a more traditional approach and that the Navajo people used to have a 'Wartime' Chiefs and 'Peacetime' Chiefs and maybe we could do something along those lines. Andrew said that the state requires these roles but it doesn't state what the roles be called internally. And Andrew suggested that the 'Wartime' could be a more active part of the board, and the 'Peacetime' be passive. Like in charge of policies, budgets and such. While the 'Wartime' would be more active in fundraising, volunteering, planning and such. The board seemed to like that idea.

Some potential names to check on were: Notah Tahy, Denise White, Kolby Tsosie III, Craig Benally, Jon Crank, Justina Lameman.

Diane said she could talk to Craig and Justina. Micah would talk to Kolby and Jon. Clayton would approach Denise. And Andrew would talk to Notah again.

Meeting adjourned at 6.

Next meeting on 9/30/2021 @ 5 PM.