RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NAVAJO TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Approving the Revised Mission Statement for Navajo Technical College.

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Board of Trustees of the Navajo Technical College (NTC) is responsible for administration, operation and the development of policy as stated in the Navajo Nation Council Resolution CN-58-06, which approved the Navajo Technical College Act of 2006, amending 15 N.N.C. §§ 1201-1209; and
- 2. Pursuant to the Act, Navajo Technical College is organized as an institution of higher learning for the primary purpose of providing post-secondary education programs that serve both the vocational/technical and academic needs of the Navajo Nation and its citizens, and
- 3. Pursuant to the Act, the Board of Trustees is authorized to review and approve the college's Mission Statement, curricula, assessment structures and program plans, including research, in accordance with established program priorities, 15 N.N.C. § 1205 (D); and
- 4. The Board of Trustees has directed the President to prepare the College for transition to university status, per Navajo Technical College resolution: NTC-FEB-1092-12; and
- 5. A change to university status will require a Change of Mission process with the Higher Learning Commission, which will require a new Mission Statement and a new name for the College; and
- 6. Stakeholders have met in strategic planning session to modify the current Mission Statement to reflect the plans to transition to a university; and
- 7. The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees hereby approve the new Mission Statement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Board of Trustees of the Navajo Technical College hereby approves the revised Mission Statement, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

2. The President of the Navajo Technical College is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby confirm that this resolution was discussed and considered by the Board of Trustees of the Navajo Technical College at a duly called meeting held in Crownpoint, New Mexico at which a quorum was present, and that this resolution was passed by a vote of $\underline{5}$ in favor, $\underline{0}$ opposed and $\underline{0}$ abstained, this 11th day of June 2012.

Richard T. Begaye, Chairperson

NTC Board of Trustees

Mission

Navajo Technical College is committed to offering quality technical, vocational, and academic degrees and community education in a student-oriented hands-on learning environment based on the Diné Philosophy of Education: Nitsáhákees, Nahátáh, Iína, Sihasin.

New Mission Draft (final revision 5/25/12)

community through research, community engagement, service learning, and activities designed to foster committed to a high quality, student-oriented, hands-on-learning environment based on the Diné cultural Navajo Technical College¹ mission is to provide college readiness programs, certificates, associate, cultural and environmental preservation and sustainable economic development. The College is baccalaureate, and graduate degrees. Students, faculty, and staff will provide value to the Diné principles: Nitsáhákees, Nahátá, Īína, Siihasin.

¹ The Board of Trustees will name the university. This may not be the name of the university.

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