Hopi Education Code Approved to Establish a Comprehensive and Unified School System for All Hopi Tribally Controlled Schools

By: Romalita Laban, Managing Editor

August 7, 2019 at a time certain scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Hopi Tribal Council heard from Naomi Sakiestewa, District Manager Education and Workforce Development and author of Action Item #062-2019, which was read into record.

Upon hearing the action item read into record, David Talayumptewa, Kykotsmovi Village Representative/Chairperson for the Health and Education Committee, Sakiestewa and Angela Okuda-Jacobs, Consultant for the Hopi Education Code, provided introductions, background, updates and comments. After reporting that the work began in April 2016, the three supported and encouraged Hopi Tribal Council to pass a resolution as part of the action item.

Chairman Nuvangyaoma, who presided over the Council session, then opened the presentation for questions to be asked by Hopi Tribal Council Representatives and audience members alike. Questions regarding the transition process for implementation of the comprehensive and unified school system were posed along with concerns expressed about non-renewal of school employee contracts, attendance area, school progress, assessments and accountability, survey outcomes and recommendations, school board composition and input, impacts of social issues on students, Hopi Lavayi in the schools, special education services for students, alternative schools and of course continued funding. Representatives and audience members had many questions about the transition process which was reported by Sakiestewa to be taking place over the next two to three years. Further discussion and questions surrounding topics such as; meeting Annual Viable Progress requirements, why Hopi teachers have left the reservation after being hired, the lack of recruitment and retention and would be a waiting an award for 2021. Sakiestewa, however, could not provide an exact amount which was expected but that it would be used to build capacity throughout the schools, special education services for students, alternative schools and of course continued funding. Representative Okuda-Jacobs stated that the next steps would be to apply for a no-cost grant extension to the end of 2019 and would be a waiting an award for 2021. Sakiestewa then notified those present that the next steps would be to apply for a no-cost grant extension to the end of 2019 and would be a waiting an award for 2021. Sakiestewa then notified those present that the next steps would be to apply for a no-cost grant extension to the end of 2019 and would be a waiting an award for 2021. Sakiestewa then notified those present that the next steps would be to apply for a no-cost grant extension to the end of 2019 and would be a waiting an award for 2021. Sakiestewa then notified those present that the next steps would be to apply for a no-cost grant extension to the end of 2019 and would be a waiting an award for 2021.

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Frequently Asked Questions About the LCR Adjudication, LCR Negotiation Settlement Efforts and Water Resources

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What is the LCR Adjudication?

The Little Colorado River Adjudication (LCR Adjudication) is a legal process in Arizona state court. The LCR Adjudication is a special kind of legal process called a general stream adjudication. A general stream adjudication determines who has the right to water within a river basin. A river basin is the area drained by a river and its tributaries. All of the Hopi Reservation, and all of the Tribe’s ranch lands in the J-40 corridor and at the 26 Bar Ranch, lie within the Little Colorado River (LCR) Basin. A map of the LCR Basin is attached as Figure 1. The LCR Adjudication will determine the water rights of all Indians and non-Indians within the LCR Basin.

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To further protect your eyes and avoid discomfort, try the following:

• Exercise and strengthen your eyes by doing eye exercises. See your eye exercises into your daily routine for 20 seconds or more, every 20 minutes.

• If you wear glasses, wear sunglasses with 100 percent UV protection to keep your eyes safe from the sun. It’s helpful to keep a pair in your bag or car, so they are always nearby. Also consider spending a bit more time in natural light and less in artificial light.

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Sometimes We Forget...

By LARRY WATAHAMAGEE
The Hopi Tutuveni

Once we forget why we, as Hopis, hold certain ceremonies throughout the year. We forget the main purpose of each ceremony we hold. So to some of us now, it seems like the flow of each ceremony that is performed each year. We are slowly forgetting about the clouds, the rain, the happiness, and the sovereignty in which we are Hopis.

Politikvëh (aka Butterfly dances) are in full effect on the Hopi reservation, I sometimes prout the night chasings mesa and I over hear the singing in the sacred kivas with the loud drumming and men yelling with glee… but the butterfly dancer or harvest dance is held when there is going to be a good harvest… and so we are happy and merry.

That is the idea of the butterfly dance. But now a days it seems we dance because it’s “fun” and to allow the women shake their “Hopi things” all over the yard.

Last year I was at a butterfly dance at this one village and I swear, it was like a radio, where women and kids put on a dress and go over to the men who were singing and “rope” them out to dance with them, and in all the chaos of dancing with women, men pay them also.

It was the same with the harvest dance. It was like the women liked to dance little mind balls in another context kind of sounds dirty.

Overall, in the entire butterfly dances, I was not aware that “rope” they will travel a great distance to get to the Hopi lands and rain just for fun.

But I know that so many pays attention to the songs because we are too busy giving women mony and rolled washcloths with fake flowers in them. I remember one time a while ago I was watching a dance from a distance and standing next to this woman, she said “I never gonna dance for money, hold myPicassly.”

When she came back from dancing, she was mad because all she got was a rolled potholder with a nice “Indian” print on it.

At other times I have seen that child sees… we all we are all to that kind and we and the ones with the biggest influence because the child always looks to those who care for and feed them and gesture in some way. So it turns out society is what everything that child sees…

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And it makes me wonder why that is. Of course, in Hopi society we will hear the same verse... “it starts in the home, and with the parents...”

But sometimes forgetting is a way to move forward, like moving forward from hate, destruction, or despair and maybe that we’re “forget”... I see a lot of that on the Hopi reservation and it puzzles me that we can have so much double for another one and still do our Hopi religion for everyone that come to together and be happy with our another one. But we fake our happiness and come together because we have “to” then the next day we dis- like each other everyday. Then we dis- like our children is disrespectful in traditional attire posing and go on Facebook and all I see is people in traditional attire posing and go on Facebook and all I see is people sometimes it’s not that bad to do.
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Some 250 people marched Aug. 10 demanding answers from the Poulsbo police after the shooting death of Stoney Chiefstick. (Photo by Cristina Roark)

By Richard Walker

For Indian Country Today

Poulsbo, Washington, a call is for justice in the Stoney Chiefstick killing.

The streets of downtown Poulsbo, Washington, a Norwegian-themed city with a Native American history, were the site of an indigenous recognition ceremony and whatever traditions we follow. This was the event today.

Kristine Witherspoon, a tourist from Georgia who was visiting the National Cemetery.

According to Wolvereye, the sample size was at the heart of the Post’s survey methodology, like the Post’s poll on Native Americans still aren’t offended by the Washington NFL team. According to Vargas, “the majority of people we interviewed and team names are unethical and harmful to indigenous people.”

NAJA for Immediate Release

Racialized mascots and their potential impact on Native American health, life and well-being.

The Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) is one of many organizations that have long been calling for the NFL — and other sports organizations — to phase out or change representations of Indigenous people. This includes the application of journalism to Native American communities.

The U.S. Constitution grants tribes as sovereign nations with legally-recognized rights — including the right to establish and operate their ownwrite. Native American journalist organizations and nonprofit media entities have proven their value and importance to the tribes. National Indian Media Center (NIMC), Al Jazeera, Standing Up, Honor Credit, KUOW, and others.

The Native American Journalists Association demands the following corrective actions:

Reinstate all commentary and reporting derived from Wolvereye’s study, and published in 2016, and despite calls for derived mascot use.

NAJA condemns the Washington Post for publishing materials that ignored, equated and undermined legally-established rights and protections for Indigenous people.

At a time when Whitehouse may have been a unknown to the Post to consider its reporting on the Washington Redskins.

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请注意，这是一封由众议院司法委员会主席丁·杰克逊·戈德斯直言不讳地批评了总统的信件。戈德斯是该委员会的主席，他今天在一封声明中说，他正在寻求对总统进行弹劾。

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The Final Chapter of Peabody and NGS

By: Dwayne Melvin, Office of the Vice-Chairman

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - August 15, 2019, the decommissioning of the largest electricity power generator in the state of Arizona has begun. Following the March 21, 2019 decision by the Navajo Tribal Utility Company (NTUC) to cease pursuing the acquisition of the Navajo Generating Station (NGS) and the Kayenta Mine. This determination came after the February 3, 2017 decision by non-federal sources staff provided a tour of the Hopi community in the coming year, only create economic hardships for the Hopi people,” said Vice-Chairman W. Tenakhongva. “Perhaps the closure of NGS is slated for December 22, 2019, and will mark the final train load of coal from Peabody to NGS. While closure of NGS is slated for December 22, notice given to the Hopi Tribe, has indicated NGS can now be sold to companies that have been able to diversify in the future, that will ultimately benefit the Hopi people.”

Several power projects were initially considered to meet these demands, the most notable of which were the Bridge Canyon and Marble Canyon hydroelectric dams on the Colorado River. However, their proximity to the Grand Canyon raised opposition, from the National Park Service and then more vigorously from a coalition of environmental groups who opposed construction of a thermal or nuclear power plant as an alternative. As a result of this strong opposition, the proposed dams were abandoned in favor of the Navajo Power Project, which would consist of NGS, the Kayenta mine, the Black Mesa & Lake Powell (BM&LP) Railroad, and approximately 800 miles of 500 kV transmission lines.

The site ultimately selected for construction of the new power plant, which began in 1963 and ended in 1970, was approximately six miles east of the Canyon Dam and three miles south of Lake Powell on 1,786 acres of land leased from the Navajo Nation.

“The Construction of NGS and its employee, ninety-nine percent of whom are members of the Navajo and Hopi tribes with both tribes no longer receiving royalties after the closure. Although the closure of NGS will create economically trying times for the Hopi people,” said Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva, “perhaps the closure of NGS is slated for December 22, 2019, and will mark the final train load of coal from Peabody to NGS. While closure of NGS is slated for December 22, notice given to the Hopi Tribe, has indicated NGS can now be sold to companies that have been able to diversify in the future, that will ultimately benefit the Hopi people.”

However, the closure of NGS will not only create economic hardships for the Hopi people, in the short term but also social and cultural hardships, as many tribal members who have relied on the coal provided by NGS to heat their homes have to find alternative methods of heating.
Police officers check the insides, and outside of the commercial vehicles. (Photo by Carl Onsae/HT)

By: Hopi Tutuveni Staff

Second Mesa, Ariz. — August 7, 2019, the Hopi Tutuveni was contacted by Michael Lemayaktewa, Director Hopi Department of Transportation and notified a Special Operational Plan that was to be conducted on August 12, 2019. Tutuveni was also cautioned that the notice was to be held in strict confidence until after the Hopi Special Enforcement Operational Plan was completed.

According to Lemayaktewa, “Because this being a specialized enforcement operation regarding large Commercial Vehicles (trucks) at this point we do not want release of this information out in the public in advance. We do however want to document the event (Tutuveni) for to share with our public after its full completion.”

Hopi Tutuveni staff held the information in confidence and with special permission given to further comments from Lemayaktewa that, “Concerns and this reveal from our Hopi public of various trucks going through Hopi Land, as result is this operation to whom we like to express our appreciation to and for the assistance of our partnering Agencies: ITCA, ADOT, BIA Law Enforcement, Hopi Law Enforcement Services and many others.

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