

HOPI SCHOOL SYSTEM TRANSITION FACT SHEET & UPDATE #9

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- **STATUS OF HOPI SCHOOL SYSTEM'S P.L. 100-297 GRANT APPLICATION.** The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) has informed the Hopi Board of Education (HBE) that it will issue its decision on the Hopi School System's (HSS) P.L. 100-297 grant application no later than May 16, 2024. HBE will inform stakeholders of BIE's decision and of next steps as soon as we receive the decision.
- **CURRICULUM COMMITTEE.** On January 17, 2024, HBE appointed nine teachers from Hopi schools to the HSS "Curriculum Committee." All Hopi schools were invited to submit nominees to the Committee. The Committee includes representatives from all stages of Hopi education, including pre-school and Head Start, elementary school, junior high and high school. The Committee is examining the selection of a single curriculum across all Hopi pre-schools, elementary schools and the Hopi Junior Senior High School. The Committee will work to ensure curriculum alignment and mapping standards are included, select assessments, and conduct in-depth strategic planning for implementation and school improvement.
- **PARENT/FAMILY TEACHER MEETINGS.** In early April 2024, the HBE held very productive meetings with parent/family organizations of four Hopi schools: Moencopi Day School, First Mesa Elementary School, Second Mesa Day School, and Keams Canyon Elementary School to provide updates on the HSS transition and answer stakeholder's questions. HBE will attend the following parent or school board meetings and hopes parents and stakeholders can join:
 - Hopi Junior Senior High School Parent Teacher Organization on **May 7, 2024, 6:00 p.m. (MST)**
 - Hopi Day School Parent Teacher Organization on **May 8, 2024, 6:00 p.m. (MST)**
 - Hotevilla Bacavi Community School Governing Board on **May 23, 2024, 6:00 p.m. (MST)** (*HBE is meeting with Governing Board because HBCS does not have a Parent Teacher Organization*).
- **UPCOMING HBE TOWN HALLS.** The Hopi Board of Education will hold three Town Halls in May 2024 at the following locations to provide updates to communities and stakeholders on the transition to the Hopi School System and answer questions. We hope to see you at these Town Halls:
 - Hopi Junior Senior High School on **May 6, 2024, 6:00 p.m. (MST)**
 - Moencopi Community Center on **May 13, 2024, 5:00 p.m. (MST)**
 - Hopi Veterans Memorial Center on **May 29, 2024, 6:00 p.m. (MST)**
- **CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE MODULARS.** BIE awarded the HBE three new modular buildings for the Hopi School System's Central Administration Office. The modulars have been delivered to the Central Administration Office site near the Hopi Junior Senior High School. The modulars' installation, parking lot, and technology wiring is expected to be complete no later than September 2024.
- **TRANSITION TEAM NOMINATES THREE CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE HBE.** After an extensive vetting process, on January 18, 2024, the HSS Transition Team nominated three candidates and submitted them to the Hopi Tribal Council for appointment to the HBE. On March 7, 2024, the Hopi Tribal Council by motion and majority vote declined to appoint the three candidates to the HBE. HBE will keep the public informed of future opportunities to submit their interest in joining the HBE.

If you have questions, more information can be found on the HSS website, or you may contact HBE at info@hopischoolsystem.org. Askwali and Kwakwa!