



PUEBLO OF ISLETA

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RESOLUTION NO. 2024-132

RESOLUTION AMENDING HIGHER EDUCATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

At a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Isleta, held on December 17, 2024 the following Resolution was passed:

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta (the “Pueblo”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a written Constitution and inherent powers of self-government;

WHEREAS, the Pueblo is governed by a Governor and Tribal Council made up of elected representatives who act in accordance with the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution (“Constitution”);

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2 (e), of the Constitution for the Pueblo of Isleta authorizes the Tribal Council to “enact ordinances to, to protect the peace, safety, property, health, and general welfare of the members of the Pueblo of Isleta;”

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(j) of the Pueblo of Isleta Constitution authorizes the Tribal Council to “appoint or authorize such committees, commissions, boards, pueblo-chartered organizations or corporations, officials and employees not otherwise provided for in this constitution;”

WHEREAS, the Pueblo supports the educational endeavors of its people by providing financial assistance to eligible Pueblo students;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council previously created the Higher Education Board to make final determinations in appeals regarding financial assistance decisions brought under the Higher Education Policies and Procedures;

WHEREAS, the Higher Education Board has been inactive for about two years;

WHEREAS, the Pueblo's Department of Education has drafted proposed updated/revised Policies and Procedures attached herein, governing the terms and conditions for financial assistance to Pueblo students pursuing a higher education degree or vocational training certificate for the Tribal Council's consideration;

WHEREAS, the Department of Education would seek to amend the Higher Education Policies and Procedures to remove references to the inactive Higher Education Board and amend the Appeals Process, at Section 100.10(b)(ii-iv) to authorize the Governor or his designee to be the final decision maker in appeals brought pursuant to the policies;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the proposed amendments to the Policies and Procedures and believes it is in the best interest of the Pueblo to approve the proposed amendments to the Policies; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby approves the Higher Education Policies and Procedures as amended and attached herein;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the provisions of this Resolution shall supersede any conflicting provisions of past-adopted Resolutions;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governor and the Department of Education are authorized and directed to do all that is necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Tribal Council and shall remain in effect until otherwise superseded or repealed by Tribal law.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed at a duly called Meeting of the Isleta Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Isleta, held on the 17th day of December 2024, at which a quorum was present, with 5 voting for, 0 opposing, and 0 abstaining.




Ronald Olguin, Tribal Council President:



Max Zuni, Governor:

ATTEST:



Elizabeth Kirk, Tribal Council Secretary