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NEW BOARD MEMBERS

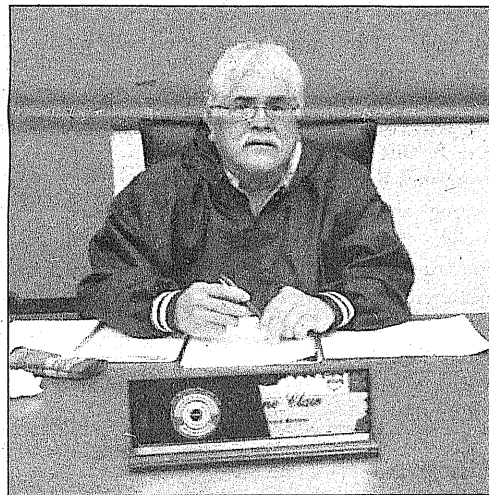
Chinle Unified School District #24 school board is seeing new faces as well as the welcome return of some familiar ones for the upcoming years.

New members to the board include Mr. Paul Guy, Mr. Wayne Claw and Ms. Joyce Nez. Mr. Guy and Mr. Claw will be serving four year terms on the board and Ms. Nez has been appointed by Apache County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Pauline Begay, to serve a two year term. Returning members will be Ms. Rose Martinez and Mr. Virgil Brown who are both in the middle of their terms, and have served many years in different capacities on the board.

Exiting the board this year is Mr. Earl Tsinjinnie. Mr. Tsinjinnie has been a board member for thirteen valuable years, with many of those years as the board president.



Paul Guy Jr. - newly elected board member, Joyce V. Nez - Board Clerk, & Wayne Claw - Board President



Mr. Wayne Claw, School Board President presides over a special meeting in January.

WAYNE CLAW - BOARD PRESIDENT

Mr. Wayne Claw was re-elected in November of 2010 to serve another 4 years. Mr. Claw has been a resident of Chinle all his life and, the CEO for our local Senior Nursing Home, graduated from Chinle High School, the Class of 1969.

Mr. Claw was asked what he remembered as the highlights of his school days. "I have so many memorable friends and activities when I was in school here in Chinle, so many. But the most memorable one is being part of the 1969 basketball team and as of to date still having the best record of Chinle High School. Still remember all my teammates that I had a chance to play with and also the super coach we had at the time." Mr. Claw was an excellent basketball player, receiving All-State

Basketball Player honors.

What inspired you to run for CUSD board Member?

"I know that good education is the only tool that our children need to understand and achieve to make a good living. I wanted to be part of a team that will be able to establish and continuously deliver education for all our children. I have so many relatives and their children going to school here, as well as my grandchildren that are in the District. So, that gives me that much more reason to run for CUSD Board Member. I will try extra hard to devote my attention and time to the school, besides its CUSD that gave me that opportunity and taught me the essential learning to be who I am today."



Joyce Nez reviews a proof of Tseyi Echoes. Mrs. Nez is an active member of the C.U.S.D. District community, and brings much experience and life/wisdom to the table.

JOYCE V. NEZ - BOARD CLERK

Ms. Joyce Nez has been appointed by County School Superintendent, Dr. Pauline Begay, to serve out the remaining two year term that was occupied by the late board member, Mr. Ernest Tsosie.

Ms. Nez is no stranger, or should we say that Ms. Nez has always been part of the Chinle Schools. Everybody at each of the schools knows who she is. When it comes to school business of some sort, Joyce will be there to help. She has served on the board several times, PAC, District PAC, Indian Education Committee, Veteran of the Woman's Army

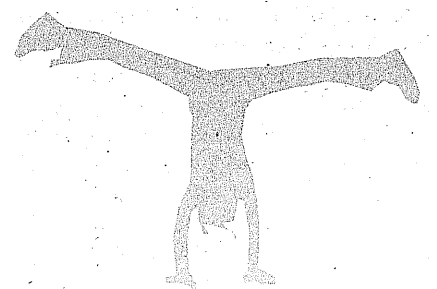
Corp. and, other school groups. A strong believer for parent involvement, she believes that parents are very important and should be part of their child's education, at all times.

Ms. Nez was asked about her opinion of CUSD: "I just want to have the best school and the best education we can have here at CUSD so, our children can receive the best that can be offered. I am extremely interested, because my great grandson deserves to get the best education and I want to be part of it."

ACHIEVE 3000

Students in Chinle have been using a computer based reading program and exciting things have been happening. In August, the teachers were trained and shown the new features in Kidbiz, Teenbiz and Empower from Achieve3000 an informational online reading program that allows students to logon to the internet and read articles from the news at their own reading level. Students began using the program and created avatars, online personalities, which they feed with points and awards and badges.

Chinle's students are frequent top scorers in the State of Arizona and the U.S. As a result of using the program many students have managed to improve their reading comprehension by two grade levels and more. It is exciting to see the change in students as readers and how independent they are becoming as they read about the world and issues that affect them. We are all very proud of how well they have worked and what they have achieved.



To see a complete list of students who have won statewide contests in Achieve 3000 go to page 10.