

RESOLUTION OF THE
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - First Year, 2019

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND
ADOPTING THE AMENDED 1982 SCHOLARSHIP CLAIMS FUND SUB-POLICY

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered with the authority to exercise oversight in the areas including, but not limited to, budget, finance, investment, bonds, contracting, insurance, audits, accounting, taxes, loans, and Chapter budget and finance, for the purpose of coordinating, overseeing, and regulating the fiscal, financial, investment contracting, and audit policies of the Navajo Nation pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 300(C)(1); and to promulgate rules and regulations relative to contracting, investment and financial matters pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(1).
- B. The Navajo Nation created the Navajo Nation Investment Committee (Investment Committee) pursuant to Resolution No. CAU-39-73, and the Investment Committee is an advisory group to the Budget and Finance Committee in the management of the Nation's investment program and is responsible for recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee the adoption of modifications to the Master Investment Policy, Sub-Policies, and Asset Class Guidelines, pursuant to the Master Investment Policy, §§ 4.3 and 4.3(a).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. In exercising its authorities under 2 N.N.C. §§ 300(C)(1) and 301(B)(1), the Budget and Finance Committee approved and adopted the investment policies for all Navajo Nation

financials resources (the "Master Investment Policy") pursuant to the Budget and Finance Resolution No. BFO-61-90, as amended by BFJY-114-03, BFJA-01-08, BFJN-17-15, BFD-38-17, BFD-41-17 and BFD-45-18.

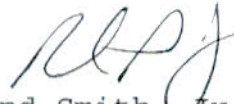
- B. Pursuant to §§ 4.3(a) and 4.8(a) of the Master Investment Policy, the Investment Consultant, makes recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee for all modifications to the Master Investment Policy, Sub-Policies, and Asset Class Guidelines, and pursuant to § 4.1, the Budget and Finance Committee has final authority to approve such modifications.
- C. The Investment Committee and the Nation's Investment Consultant, RVK, Inc. (RVK) have recommended that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the recommendation to modify the Allocation of Assets in the 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy to the Moderately Conservative Target Asset Allocation and the Investment Committee's Resolution No. NNICN-15-18 along with RVK's recommendations are attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.
- D. The Budget and Finance Committee has considered the recommendations of the Investment Committee and RVK and finds that these actions are in the Nation's best interest.

SECTION THREE. APPROVAL

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee hereby accepts the recommendations of the Investment Committee and RVK and hereby approves and adopts the Amended 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy, an underscored and over stricken version of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and a clean version of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.
- B. The Amended 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy shall become effective immediately upon the Budget and Finance Committee's approval of this legislation.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting held at LeChee, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed, this 5th day of November 2019.



Raymond Smith, Jr., Vice Chairperson
Budget and Finance Committee

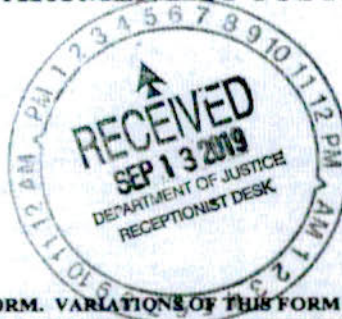
Motion: Honorable Nathaniel Brown
Second: Honorable Elmer P. Begay



NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DOCUMENT REVIEW REQUEST FORM

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DATE OF REQUEST: 9/13/19 ENTITY/DIVISION: Finance
 CONTACT NAME: Brent Wauneka DEPARTMENT: OLC - Investments
 PHONE NUMBER: x6023 E-MAIL: bwauneka@nndojc.org
 TITLE OF DOCUMENT: NNICN-15-18 1982 scholarship Sub Policy

DOJ SECRETARY TO COMPLETE

DATE/TIME IN UNIT: SEP 13 2019 4:18pm REVIEWING ATTORNEY/ADVOCATE: Jana Werner
 DATE/TIME OUT OF UNIT:

DOJ ATTORNEY / ADVOCATE COMMENTS

LEGALLY SUFFICIENT. The attached Proposed Budget and Finance Committee Resolution, Approving the Amended 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy, which was emailed to Jana Werner on August 2 by Martina Smiley of OLC, is LEGALLY SUFFICIENT. The BFC Resolution adopts the Investment Committee recommendation in NNICN-15-18.

REVIEWED BY: (PRINT)	DATE / TIME	SURNAMED BY: (PRINT)	DATE / TIME
Jana C. Werner	9-16-19 10:40 am	Jana C. Werner	9-16-19 10:40 am

DOJ Secretary Called: ^{Em} Brent Wauneka for Document Pick Up on 9-16-19 at 12:11pm By: CC

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9/16/19 1255 pm

Document No. 013391Date Issued: 09/13/2019**EXECUTIVE OFFICIAL REVIEW**Title of Document: NNICN-15-18 1982 Scholarship Sub-Policy Contact Name: WAUNKA, BRENT TREVORProgram/Division: OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLEREmail: _____ Phone Number: 928-871-6023

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THE NAVAJO NATION

JONATHAN NEZ | PRESIDENT MYRON LIZER | VICE PRESIDENT



MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL CONCERNED

FROM: 
Pearline Kirk, Controller
Office of the Controller

DATE: August 5, 2019

SUBJECT: STANDING DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

This memorandum will serve to inform you that when Ms. Pearlline Kirk, Controller of the Navajo Nation is on leave or on travel status, the following order of delegation will be in effect immediately. The individuals will be delegated the responsibility to sign any documents that are of a "routine" nature, and all other documents considered "significantly questionable" will be referred to the Controller upon return. This delegation will be continuous until rescinded or revised in writing.

Your cooperation with the delegated individuals is expected and appreciated. Thank you.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:


Robert Willie, Accounting Manager


Laura Johnson, FMIS Project Manager


Loretta Largo, Accounting Manager


Lorena Eldridge, Accounting Manager


Gerald Shirley, Accounting Manager

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**RESOLUTION OF
THE NAVAJO NATION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

**Recommending that the Budget and Finance Committee Approve a Modification to the
1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Target Asset Allocation**

WHEREAS:

1. The Navajo Nation created the Navajo Nation Investment Committee (the "Investment Committee") pursuant to Resolution No. CAU-39-73, and the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council (the "Budget and Finance Committee") adopted investment policies for all Navajo Nation Financial Resources (the "Master Investment Policy") pursuant to Budget and Finance Committee Resolution No. BFO-61-90 as amended by BFJY-114-03, BFJA-01-08, BFJN-17-15, BFD-38-17, and BFD-41-17; and

2. The Investment Committee is responsible for recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee the adoption of modifications to the Master Investment Policy, Sub-Policies, and Asset Class Guidelines, pursuant to the Master Investment Policy, Section 4.3(a), and approving investment managers and custodians recommended by the investment consultant pursuant to the Master Investment Policy, Section 4.3(d); and

3. The Controller, pursuant to her duties under the Master Investment Policy Section 4.4 has coordinated with the Navajo Nation's designated investment consultant, RVK, Inc. a recommendation to modify the asset allocation in the 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy to the Moderately Conservative Target Asset Allocation, which increases future expected returns by diversifying into additional asset classes; and

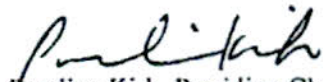
4. The Investment Committee has reviewed RVK Inc.'s review and recommendation relating to the modification of the asset allocation in the 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A and the proposed modified Sub-Policy attached hereto as Exhibit B.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Investment Committee hereby accepts and recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee accept RVK Inc.'s recommendation to modify the asset allocation in the 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund to the Moderately Conservative Target Asset Allocation attached hereto as Exhibit A, and recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the modified Sub-Policy attached hereto as Exhibit B.

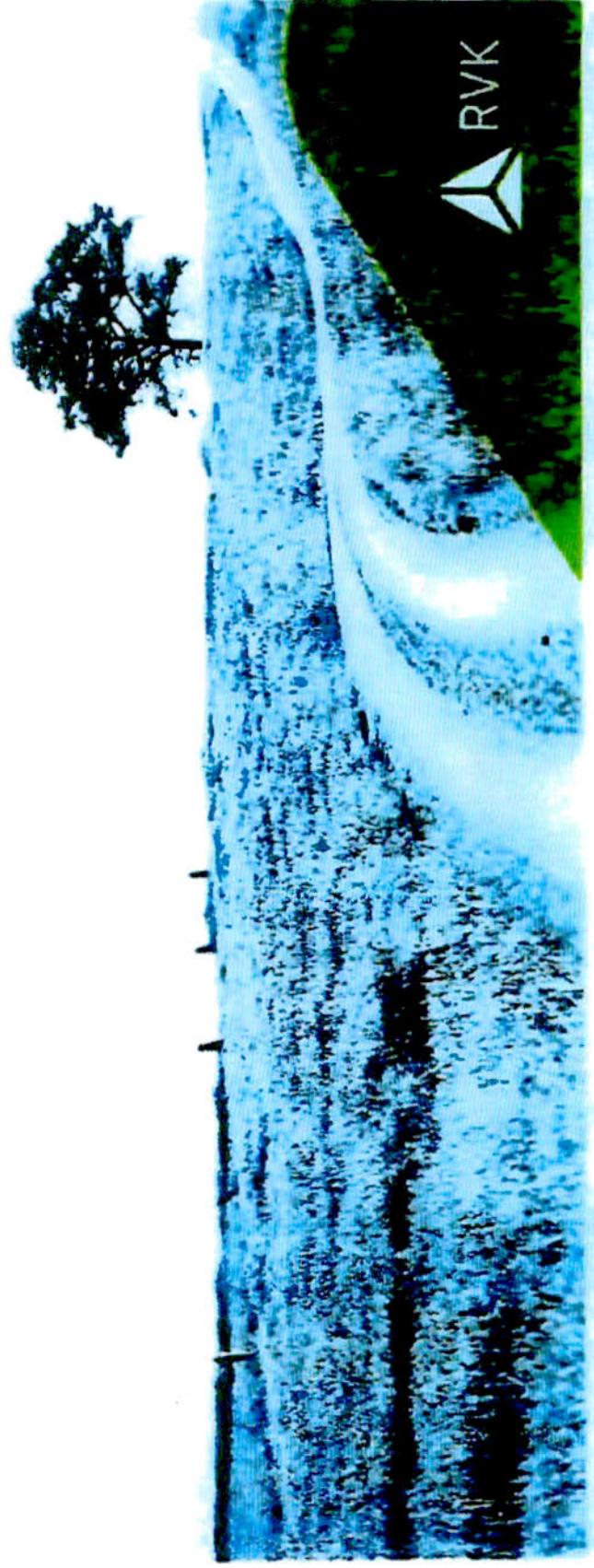
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Investment Committee, at a duly called meeting at the Office of the Navajo Tax Commission in St. Michaels, Arizona at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed, this 8th day of November 2018.


Pearline Kirk, Presiding Chair
Navajo Nation Investment Committee

Motion: Seth Damon
Second: Tom Chee
Vote: 4-0

1982 Scholarship Trust



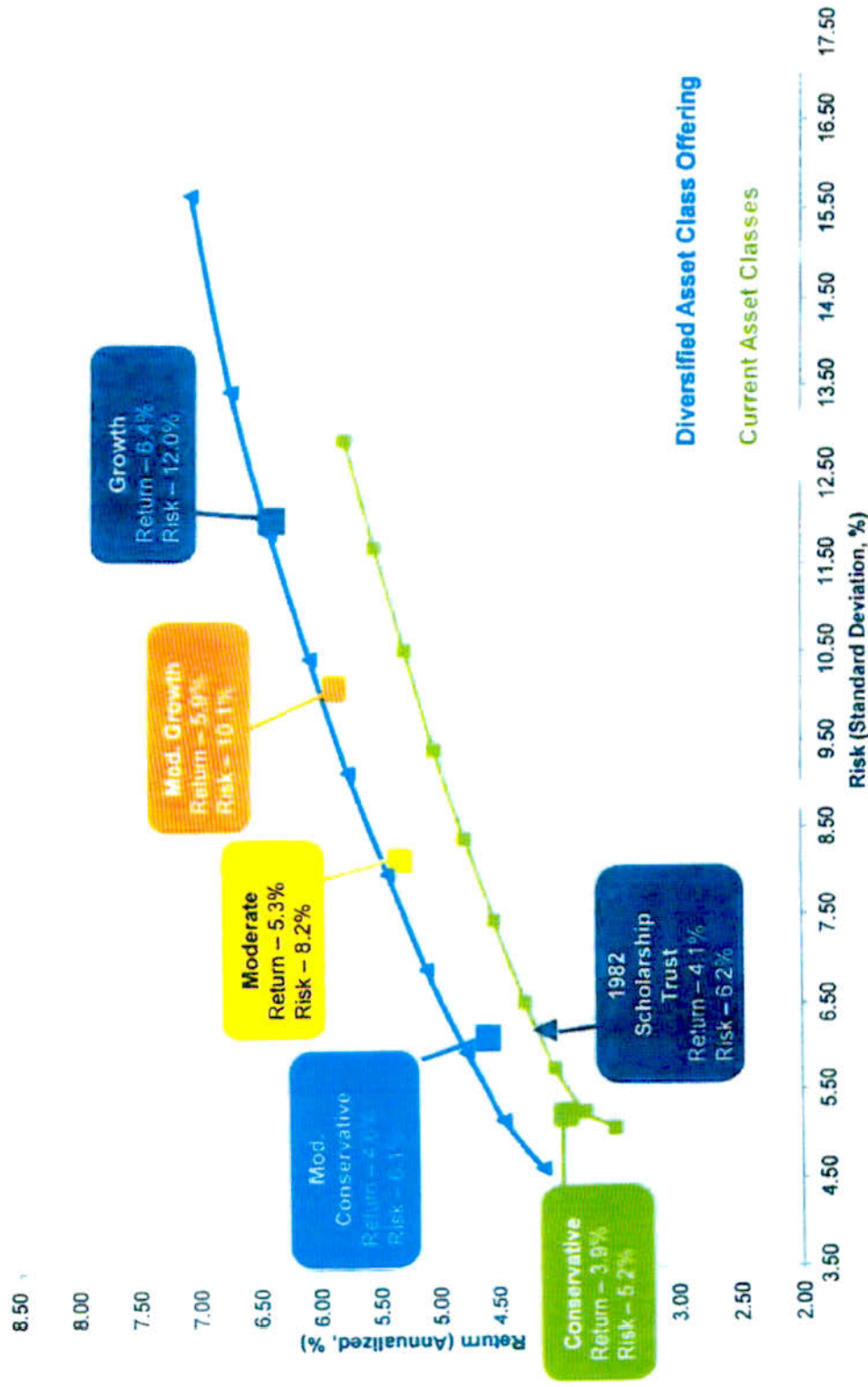
1982 Scholarship Trust – Asset Allocation

Portfolio Comparison (Including Add'l Asset Classes)

	1982 Scholarship Trust	Conserv.	Mod. Conserv.	Moderate	Mod. Growth	Growth
Large/Mid Cap US Equity	20	5	9	17	25	30
Small Cap US Equity	0	0	2	3	5	5
Broad International Equity	0	5	9	13	15	20
Int. Duration Fixed Income	70	60	50	47	30	15
Low Duration Fixed Income	10	25	16	0	0	0
Core Real Estate	0	0	4	6	8	10
GTAA	0	5	7	8	9	10
Bank Loans	0	0	3	6	8	10
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100
Capital Appreciation	20	10	23	39	53	65
Capital Preservation	80	85	66	47	30	15
Alpha	0	5	7	8	9	10
Inflation	0	0	4	6	8	10
Expected Return	4.1	3.9	4.6	5.3	5.9	6.4
Risk (Standard Deviation)	6.2	5.2	6.1	8.2	10.1	12.0
Return (Compound)	3.9	3.8	4.4	5.0	5.4	5.7
Return/Risk Ratio	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5
RVK Expected Eq Beta (LCUS Equity = 1)	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
RVK Liquidity Metric (T-Bills = 100)	87	86	83	82	81	80

1982 Scholarship Trust – Asset Allocation

Efficient Frontier Comparison – Impact of Adding Asset Classes



Grey triangles indicate a current sub-trust target allocation.

1982 Scholarship Trust – Asset Allocation & Income

Income Projections – Impact of Adding Asset Classes

Asset Class	1982 Scholarship Trust - Current	Additional \$5 Million	Additional \$10 Million	Conservative AA	Moderately Conservative AA	Moderate AA
Large Cap Domestic Equity	20%	20%	20%	5%	15%	17%
Small Cap Domestic Equity	-	-	-	-	2%	3%
International Equity	-	-	-	5%	9%	13%
Core / Core Plus Fixed Income	70%	70%	70%	60%	60%	47%
Low Duration Fixed Income	10%	10%	10%	25%	16%	-
Core Real Estate	-	-	-	-	4%	6%
GTAA	-	-	-	5%	7%	8%
Bank Loans	-	-	-	-	3%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Expected Return (%)	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	3.9%	4.8%	5.3%
Expected Risk (Standard Deviation %)	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.1%	8.2%
Expected Yield (%)	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%
Expected Yield (\$)	\$399,104	\$546,454	\$693,804	\$414,611	\$418,386	\$414,448
Total MV (Ex DI)	\$13,542,732	\$18,542,732	\$23,542,732	\$13,542,732	\$13,542,732	\$13,542,732

Market Values are as of 8/31/2018 and excludes Direct Investments. Annual expected yield estimates are based on the relevant benchmark index and are applied to the asset allocation.



Amended
Scholarship Claims Fund
(Sub-Policy)

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES, GUIDELINES AND PROCEEDURES

A. General. This statement governs the investment of Scholarship Claims Fund (Fund) as a sub-policy of the Navajo Nation Master Investment Policies.

This statement is set forth in order that the Navajo Nation Council, the Budget & Finance Committee, the Investment Committee, Staff, its investment advisor and its investment managers and others entitled to such information may be made aware of the Policy of Scholarship Claims Fund with regard to the investment of its assets and the expectations and requirements of the Investment Committee with respect to the ongoing management of the investments. The purpose of this document is to establish the investment policies, standards of prudence and performance expectations for the Fund. The Investment Committee is responsible for the fiduciary oversight of the investments and has chosen these policies as its statement of intent for achieving the investment objectives described below.

B. The Fund. Briefly, the Scholarship Fund was established as a result of judgment funds awarded to The Navajo Nation in 1982. The Fund's purpose is to assist those college-bound students of Navajo descent that meet certain academic criteria and require financial assistance according to Resolution CAP-25-82 and Navajo Nation Use Plan for the Judgment Award Under Court of Claims Award Docket No. 229. Also, each college graduate is under a moral obligation to return to the Navajo Nation to provide professional services.

All amounts of money deposited in the Fund shall be invested as soon as practical in accordance with Investment Objectives and Investment Policies of the Navajo Nation as formally adopted by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

The Fund is expected to be available in perpetuity so it will be invested with a long-term perspective. It is important to follow coordinated policies regarding spending and investment decisions, which will protect the principal and produce reasonable total returns.

To assure that the integrity of these assets shall be maintained to the maximum extent feasible, the Investment Committee has established the following Policies:

- To be invested in accord with The Master Investment Policy and Procedures approved by the Budget & Finance Committee.

Scholarship Claims Fund
Sub-policy

- To preserve the purchasing power of the investments while at the same time increasing the size of the corpus in order to support growth in Scholarship Claims Fund. Preservation of principal is of high priority and essential over the long term.

C. Investment Objectives.

The primary objectives of the Fund shall be:

- Retain sufficient investment return within the fund to offset the effects of inflation over time;
- Maintain liquidity of investments to meet the budgeted program cash flows; and
- Minimize risk to investment principal.

Financial objectives of the Fund have been established in conjunction with a comprehensive review of the current and projected long-term financial requirements of the Fund. The targeted rate of return is 3.2% above the Consumer Price Index. While there cannot be complete assurance that the defined objectives will be realized, it is believed that the likelihood of their realization is reasonably high, based on the investment policy of the Fund.

The achievement of the investment objectives of the Fund will be reviewed on an annual basis. This review will focus on the continued feasibility of achieving the objectives and the continued appropriateness of the investment policy. It is not expected that the policy will change frequently; in particular, short-term changes in the financial markets should generally not require an adjustment in the policy.

D. The Investment Committee Responsibilities. The Investment Committee will have the responsibility and authority to oversee the investments of the Fund. The Investment Committee and its designated investment advisor will then select the specific asset mix reflecting judgments as to the investment environment as well as the specific needs of the Fund. The Investment Committee will discharge their duties with prudence and ethics as stated in Section 3 of the Navajo Nation Master Investment Policies.

E. Investment Policy Guidelines. The Budget & Finance Committee does not expect the Investment Committee to be reactive to short-term investment developments, recognizing that the needs for payout are long term and that investment competence must be measured normally over a meaningful period of time. While the quantitative assessment of managerial competence will be measured normally over a complete market cycle, the Budget & Finance Committee anticipates that the Investment Committee will make interim qualitative judgments. Specific qualitative factors which will be reviewed by the Investment Committee on an ongoing basis.

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Asset Allocation

The most important component of an investment strategy is the asset mix, or the resource allocation among the various classes of securities available to the Scholarship Claims Fund investments. The Investment Committee will be responsible for target and actual asset allocation for the investments that will best meet the needs of the Fund, taking into consideration the appropriate level of portfolio volatility. The Investment Committee will then submit to the Budget & Finance Committee the long-term asset allocation ranges.

Long term

The risk/return profile shall be maintained by describing a long-term "target" strategic asset allocation and is set forth below.

Investment Time Horizon

In making investment strategy decisions for the Fund, the focus shall be on a long-term investment time horizon that encompasses a complete business cycle (usually three to five years). Interim evaluation will be required if a significant change in fees, manager personnel, strategy or manager ownership occurs.

Allocation of Assets

It shall be the policy of the Fund to be invested in accordance with the maximum and minimum range for each asset class as stated below:

Target Asset			
	Minimum	Target	Maximum
U.S. Equity	<u>5%</u> 22%	<u>11%</u> 30%	<u>20%</u> 38%
Large Cap	<u>5%</u> 20%	<u>9%</u> 25%	<u>14%</u> 30%
Small / Mid Cap	<u>0%</u> 2%	<u>2%</u> 5%	<u>4%</u> 8%
International Equity	<u>4%</u> 14%	<u>9%</u> 18%	<u>15%</u> 22%
Core / Core Plus Fixed Income	<u>40%</u> 20%	<u>50%</u> 30%	<u>60%</u> 40%
Low Duration Fixed Income	<u>11%</u> 20%	<u>16%</u> 25%	<u>21%</u> 30%
Core Real Estate	0%	<u>4%</u> 8%	<u>9%</u> 10%
Absolute Return /GTAA	<u>0%</u> 11%	<u>7%</u> 14%	<u>11%</u> 17%
Cash Equivalents <u>Bank Loans</u>	0%	<u>3%</u> 0%	<u>6%</u> 5%

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Sub-policy

The asset allocation ranges established by this investment policy represent the long-term perspective. As such, rapid unanticipated market shifts may cause the asset mix to fall outside the policy ranges. Any divergence should be of a short-term nature. Staff will review the asset allocation of the Fund on a quarterly basis and rebalance to within policy ranges as necessary.

F. Performance Expectations. The measurement period for complete evaluation will be trailing twelve quarter periods and complete market cycles. Market cycles are defined to include both a rising and a declining leg. Therefore, a minimum period of evaluation shall be typically three to five years.

The most important performance expectation is the achievement of investment results that are consistent with the Fund's investment objective statement. Performance will be monitored against a custom index of both the target allocation and the current allocation.

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

5 November 2019

Regular Meeting

VOTE TALLY SHEET:

Legislation No. 0290-19: An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance Committee: Approving and Adopting the Amended 1982 Scholarship Claims Fund Sub-Policy *Sponsored by Jamie Henio, Council Delegate*

Motion: Nathaniel Brown

Second: Elmer P. Begay

Vote: 5-0, Vice Chairman not voting

Vote Tally:

Jamie Henio	yea	
Jimmy Yellowhair	yea	
Raymond Smith Jr.		
Elmer P. Begay	yea	
Amber K. Crotty	yea	
Nathaniel Brown	yea	



Raymond Smith, Jr., Vice Chairman
Budget & Finance Committee



Peggy Nakai, Legislative Advisor
Budget & Finance Committee