

**LAMBTON KENT DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
ILC MEETING**

Thursday, February 21 @ 6:00 p.m.

EENDA AKEHKIIMUND DELAWARE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CENTRE

Present:	Lareina Rising, LKDSB Trustee; Jane Bryce, LKDSB Chair of the Board; Everett Kicknosway, Walpole Island First Nation; Anna Riley, Walpole Board of Education; Jolene Whiteye, Delaware First Nation; Vicki Ware, Aamjiwnaang First Nation; Elsa Natvik, Principal; Mary Ann Patterson, Principal; Karyn Byatt-Millington, Principal; Heather McFarland, Vice Principal; Jennifer Goodal, Principal; Shea VanderGriendt, Vice Principal; Krzysztof Rakuc, Vice Principal; Mary Anne Patterson, Principal; Emily Dixon, Principal;	
Resource Staff:	Helen Lane, LKDSB Superintendent of Education; Bonnie Gotelaer, Recorder	
Guests:	Mark Houghton, System Coordinator Safe Schools; Katie Colameco, Mental Health Lead	
Regrets:	Minogiizhgad, Indigenous Lead; Mark Aquash, Walpole Board of Education	
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Details/Discussion</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
Welcome and Introductions	Trustee Lareina Rising welcomed everyone to the meeting. - Committee member introductions were completed	
Adoption of Agenda	- The Agenda was reviewed.	
Reports from First Nation Communities	<p><u>Delaware Nation at Moraviantown</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jolene noted the Language Immersion program is moving along well and when the school year is done, the students involved will be able to help others with what they have learned</li> <li>- Jolene stated the community is partnering in a trades workshop with the board</li> <li>- Jolene noted a community workshop being held in April with Goodwill Employment and Training regarding resume writing, what to expect on a job interview and career plans</li> <li>- Jolene noted March Break activities for families including Lenape bingo, a motivational speaker appearance, Little NHL hockey tournament in Mississauga, Ripley's Aquarium and a visit to Niagara Falls</li> <li>- Jolene stated that skirt and vest making for Junior and Senior Kindergarten children and their parents to be held as a family event</li> </ul> <p><u>Walpole Island First Nation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Everett stated Anna Riley is filling in for Mark Aquash as he is away</li> <li>- Everett noted the Education Contract is nearing finish</li> <li>- Everett stated there have been Reverse Tuition policy development meetings with Dave Doey</li> <li>- Everett noted First Nations with School Collective (FNWSC) funding remains at the discussion phase</li> <li>- Anna noted the Immersion language task group is progressing with Junior and Senior Kindergarten and a grade 1/2 class</li> <li>- Anna stated it can be difficult to get resources, but staff are making items to use and meeting with other focus groups as well as utilizing contacts in international Indigenous groups to help the curriculum</li> <li>- Anna noted it is encouraging visiting other nations that have the programs to see their work and how they overcame any issues</li> </ul>	

	<p><u>Aamjiwnaang First Nation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vicki stated 2 students with student engagement counselors from Aamjiwnaang traveled to the Indspire Awards ceremony</li> <li>- Vicki noted a filmmaker has been contracted to document sugar bush activities with the kindergarten students</li> <li>- Vicki stated Aamjiwnaang Council has signed a contract with Actua for land-based learning secondary credit courses</li> <li>- Vicki noted she has been invited to attend community threat protocol training</li> <li>- Vicki noted that Aamjiwnaang has been appointed as a regional representative in the Anishinabek Education System (AES) and will join 6 other First Nations</li> <li>- Vicki stated they have been reviewing best practices and things that happen in the schools regarding Aamjiwnaang students</li> <li>- Vicki noted the shuttle services have been expanded to include a shuttle to Lambton College</li> <li>- Vicki noted a shuttle that helps to transport students to specialized programs and co-op courses not available to them in Aamjiwnaang</li> </ul>	
Trustee: Lareina Rising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trustee Rising noted the LKDSB Board meetings have recently been falling on inclement weather days and have been cancelled</li> <li>- Trustee Rising stated LKDSB has some exciting times ahead as the Director moves forward and a new Director will be hired</li> <li>- Trustee Rising noted that prior to ILC meetings, the four First Nation communities gather to meet as this night offers them the chance to be together to discuss issues and get updated on community activities</li> <li>- Trustee Rising stated the communities have had discussions regarding the Memorandum of Understanding which has been in draft form since June and will have an update after an upcoming meeting in March</li> <li>- Trustee Rising stated the communities have appointed Vicki Ware as the First Nation representative for the LKDSB Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)</li> <li>- Trustee Rising noted to date ILC does not have a Kettle and Stony Point representative</li> </ul>	
Reports from Administrators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School reports were sent to committee prior to the meeting</li> <li>- Trustee Rising expressed gratitude regarding Administrator reports received in writing to allow members to take back to schools and their communities</li> <li>- Trustee Rising noted Administrators are free to bring any challenges forward or any items they would like to share</li> <li>- Jim Morton, Mary Anne Patterson, Krzysztof Rakuc shared reports</li> </ul>	
Superintendent: Helen Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane welcomed everyone and acknowledged Administrator reports</li> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane stated Elementary Program Specialist Gretchen Sands-Gamble is hosting a staff book club for 21 Things You Didn't Know About the Indian Act</li> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane noted Gretchen Sands-Gamble has planned professional development workshops in</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.LKelempo.blogspot.com">www.LKelempo.blogspot.com</a></p>

	<p>Indigenous Education including Blanket Exercise and French Immersion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane stated there is an elementary blog guided by Gretchen Sands-Gamble sharing resources and ideas</li> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane stated FNMI AQ Part One is completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff will be providing feedback</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane noted application for student leadership funding has been initiated</li> <li>- Superintendent Helen Lane noted traits sought by the four First Nations in Administrators will be noted when implementation of school Administrator changes begin and that the appointments are communicated to the affected communities first</li> <li>- Jennifer noted it would be valuable for system principals to know what the First Nations are looking for in administration to help improve qualities</li> </ul>	
Climate Survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Katie noted the development of the Climate Surveys for Grades 4-6, Grades 7-12, Parents and Staff started in September</li> <li>- Katie noted the demographics of the working group and the process of reviewing past surveys</li> <li>- Katie stated draft surveys are completed and will be tested</li> <li>- Katie noted the importance of Mental Wellness and that every child has a connection</li> <li>- Katie stated questions with options as opposed to open ended questions will be effective</li> <li>- Katie noted there was parent input from parent representation in the working group</li> <li>- Katie stated the surveys will come out the first week of April</li> <li>- Katie noted Heather Hughes is drafting up information for the principals first with definitions, intent and any questions they may have can be answered</li> <li>- Katie described the promotional process will be a video emphasizing the importance of participating and will be advertised in social media</li> <li>- Katie stated Public Health will analyzing the data with results available by the end of June</li> <li>- Katie noted the goal is to have each student and parent complete it and that parents can answer it more than once</li> <li>- Mark stated the data is non-specific to the school unless they identify on the survey as the survey is anonymous</li> <li>- Mark noted it will help Multi-Disciplinary Teams once results are analyzed</li> <li>- Mark stated it would be helpful to have it included in Parent Nights to have more input</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	-Adjournment at 8:00 pm	

NEXT ILC MEETING: APRIL 18, 2019---KETTLE & STONY POINT @ 6:00 PM.