

LAMBTON KENT DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
ILC MEETING

Wednesday March 17, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present:	Lareina Rising , LKDSB Trustee; Jane Bryce , Trustee LKDSB; Malinda Little , Trustee LKDSB; Dr. Cathy Martin , Bkejwanong First Nation; Vicki Ware , Aamjiwnaang First Nation; Jolene Whiteye , Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit; Karyn Byatt Millington , Principal; Emily Dixon , Principal; Derek Stenton , Principal; Marie Anger , Vice Principal; Ben Lawton , Principal; Paul Wiersma , Principal; Tracy Ronsick , Vice Principal; Erin Gower , Vice Principal; Mary Lou Falla , Vice Principal; Rhonda Leystra , Principal; Chris Mitchell , Principal; Karissa Aubertin , Principal; Todd Wood , Vice Principal; Dallas Sinopole , Indigenous Lead;	
Resource Staff:	Helen Lane, LKDSB Superintendent of Education; Kim Laird, Recorder	
Regrets:		
Agenda Item	Details/Discussion	Action Items
Welcome and Introductions	Lareina Rising welcomed everyone - Jane Bryce read the Traditional Territorial Agreement	
Adoption of Agenda	-The Agenda was reviewed and adopted	
Record of Action, February 17, 2021	-The minutes from February 17, 2021 were reviewed and adopted	
Reports from First Nation Communities	<p><u>Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit – Jolene Whiteye</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We are continuing with the lunch program for students at RDHS and Naahii Ridge. - We are also partnering with RDHS to assist with the cost of pizza on Fridays. - 53 families were given gift cards for groceries and school supplies. - The Health Centre has provided dinner for families. - We are working with the Health Centre to contact families and we will be providing gift cards for Fleetway in London. - Our Kindergarten classes are still closed. - Fishing season has begun. <p><u>Bkejwanang – Dr. Cathy Martin</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We welcomed students back today after a two-week preventative closure due to COVID. - Maple syrup was started by the students and finished by the school administrators. - We are sponsoring a book written by Edwin Taylor, an early years centre worker which will be published. Helen requested the board receive some copies of this book. <p><u>Aamjiwnaang First Nation – Vicki Ware</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We have one cultural curriculum lesson plan (Copper Vessel) completed for the Indigenous cultural kit. - We took the students out to the sugar bush for land-based learning. - We are in the process of training our academic advisor - he's bringing education and awareness to our Gr. 12 students. 	
Trustee: Lareina Rising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Director Howitt has been very good at providing updates to us when anything significant is going on such as NLSS closing for two weeks and asymptomatic testing clinics. - COVID Vaccinations are rolling out – First Nation communities are in Phase 1. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We need to be aware of any anti-indigenous statements made regarding COVID vaccinations and we need to stop all discriminatory remarks in their tracks. 	
Indigenous Lead - Dallas Sinopole	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board Action Plan was presented by Dallas - Dallas has been working with the Indigenous team and Superintendent Lane to utilize some of the money from the BAP. - We are providing teacher PD around May 17th – for 2 weeks long which will be after hours workshops. We have two local keynote speakers which we are very excited about. We will be sending invitations to all teachers and administrators. - We are also working on PD sessions for language teachers. - We recently have been given funding from the Ministry to create summer Grad Coach positions. We would like to offset some of the costs through the BAP and add to or match the funding from the Ministry. - We would like one Grad Coach from each region and these positions would run from mid-April to the end of August to help Gr. 8 students transition to Gr. 9. 	
Reports from Administrators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Administrators provided their reports electronically (25) and verbally, giving description of school events. 	
Superintendent: Helen Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We are one of four school boards to organize asymptomatic clinics that are being held in schools. Kent Orr and staff from CLASS have stepped up to organize. - We are dealing with COVID on a daily basis. School case numbers are going up as well as community case numbers. - At North Lambton we had classes who had to self-isolate as well as staff members. Due to our inability to staff the building, we closed the school for this week and will be re-opening it this coming Monday, March 22/21. - There was a directive from our HR dept. that any PD or unnecessary meetings be rescheduled. - ATEP (Aboriginal Teaching Education program) through Queen's University has now changed to ITEP(Indigenous Teaching Education Program). We will be posting a coordinator position. We had 10 applications and 10 accepted applications. 	<p>- Helen will send the posting to First Nation communities once it's ready.</p>
Other/New Business		
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adjournment at 7:55 pm 	

NEXT ILC MEETING: May 19, 2021