

LAMBTON KENT DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
ILC MEETING

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. at Chatham Regional Education Centre

Present:	Roberta Northmore , Trustee LKDSB; Vicki Ware , Aamjiwnaang First Nation; Jolene Whiteye , Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit; Dallas Sinopole , Indigenous Lead;	
Resource Staff:	Emily Dixon , LKDSB Superintendent of Education; Kim Laird , Recorder	
Regrets:	Jane Bruce , Trustee LKDSB; Malinda Little , Trustee LKDSB; Bob Bressette , Kettle and Stony Point; Jarvis Nahdee , Bkejwanong First Nation;	
Agenda Item	Details/Discussion	Action Items
Welcome and Introductions	Trustee Northmore welcomed everyone - Trustee Northmore read a Traditional Territorial Agreement	
Adoption of Agenda	-The agenda was reviewed and adopted	
Record of Action, June 13, 2023	-The minutes from June 13, 2023, were reviewed and adopted.	
Reports from First Nation Communities	<p><u>Vicki Ware, Aamjiwnaang First Nation</u> - Education Coordinator Vicki Ware reported that she was happy to welcome Superintendent Dixon, Denise Helmer-Johnston and Dallas Sinopole who visited the community. The Aamjiwnaang school was excited to welcome grade three students for the first time. The school also welcomed a wonderful new teacher who graduated from the LKDSB ITEP program. Teachers have been set up with professional development for the new curriculum which was introduced in September. The school community will host an open house on September 23rd and on Sept 28 there will be a community open house to introduce members of the community to all of the programs and services which are provided. The draft ESA is being moved forward with Superintendent Dixon. It is reported that a Jordan's Principal Tutor Escort position is being posted for Great Lakes Secondary School. The Alexander Mackenzie Secondary School Indigenous room is found to be very busy. Vicki would like to talk about having additional support in the room to help the current staff member. Vicki suggested that a schedule is posted noting the times that staff members are available for students. Vicki wondered if there could be a schedule created for the Indigenous Support Workers who assist students at Sir John More Public School.</p> <p><u>Jolene Whiteye, Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit</u> - Education Manager Jolene Whiteye reported that there were some very good discussions with Superintendent Dixon, Denise Helmer-Johnston and Dallas Sinopole when they visited the community. It was reported that the community held a back-to-school event which distributed school supplies to 135 students. Jolene reported that she has met with Paul Beasley, Principal of Naahii Ridge Public School and Bernadette Bruette, Principal of Ridgetown District High School. Jolene requested that Superintendent Dixon inquire if the Ridgetown District High School cafeteria would be re-opening as it was closed abruptly. Jolene requested that a window which is in the Delaware Room be fixed as it has been broken for a while now. Jolene was disappointed to hear that the Tutor Escort position was not funded by Indigenous Affairs this school year.</p>	<p>Dallas will follow up with the Principal at Sir John Moore School regarding a schedule as well as inquire if the Aamjiwnaang support workers could receive some training on how to best support students.</p> <p>Superintendent Dixon will check with Plant & Facilities about fixing the window in the Delaware Room.</p>

Superintendent Dixon inquired as to which Secondary schools have cafeteria service which is as follows:

School Name & Location	Cafeteria	Vending
Blenheim District High School		X
Chatham Kent Secondary School	X	X
Great Lakes Secondary School	X	X
John McGregor Secondary School	X	X
Lambton Central Collegiate & Vocational Institute	X	X
Lambton Kent Composite School		X
North Lambton Secondary School	X	X
Northern Collegiate Institute & Vocational School	X	X
Ridgetown District High School		X
Tilbury District High School		X
Wallaceburg District Secondary School		X
<p>Tilbury and Ridgetown were dropped by the Contractor offer due to low sales and enrollment to support continuing services.</p> <p>North Lambton once the new school is finished will transition to the new school.</p>		

Trustee:
Roberta
Northmore

- **Updates** – Trustee Roberta Northmore reported that the school design for the new school in Forest has been sent to the Ministry. The Ministry plans to create a template for all future school builds throughout Ontario. Roberta has requested that the Education Representatives report this back to their Chief and Council as there is concern that one template does not work for every community. Roberta reported that she attended the Indigenous Trustees Council meeting in August. It was learned that there will be a new resource implemented for grades 7 & 8 PE curriculum regarding mental health which will be implemented in January 2024.

- Trustee Northmore will obtain and share the link to the information regarding the template for all future school builds.

Indigenous Lead Dallas Sinopole	- Indigenous Lead Dallas Sinopole reported that three additional Indigenous Graduation Coaches were interviewed and hired. Beth Ann Isaac is working at Great Lakes Secondary School, Courtney Crump is working at North Lambton Secondary School and White-Lightning Clark is working at Ridgetown District High School. All three new grad coaches will be job shadowing Tyler White, the Indigenous Graduation Coach at Wallaceburg District Secondary School.	- Dallas to follow up with the Principal at Sir John Moore regarding supporting the Aamjiwnaang support workers.
Superintendent Emily Dixon	- Superintendent Dixon discussed changes to the formats of future ILC meetings leaving it up to the host First Nation Community to choose the time they would like the meeting to begin. These changes came about through conversations with The First Nation representatives. The October 18 meeting will be hosted by Joelene at Eelünaapéwi Lahkéewiit. With lunch beginning at 12:00 pm and the meeting to immediately follow at 12:30 pm for approximately two hours. Emily is proposing that each school administrator reports their Indigenous learning goal and evidence of working towards that goal. Administrators will be asked to submit their reports by October 20, 2023.	- Kim will email administrators and request that they submit their school reports by October 20/23
Other/New Business		
Adjournment	- Adjournment at 7:58 pm	

NEXT ILC MEETING: October 25, 2023 at Eelünaapéwi Lahkéewiit.