

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA PUBLIC SESSION

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2018 7:00 p.m.

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## Board Room Chatham Education Centre 476 McNaughton Avenue, Chatham

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"that the Board approve the revised regulation on Display of Flags."

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  - a) The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Sarnia Education Centre.
- 19. Adjournment

Lambton Kent District School Board

Minutes of the April 24, 2018 Regular Board Meeting held at the Sarnia Education Centre

Present:

Trustees: Chair Elizabeth Hudie, Vice-Chair Scott McKinlay, Jane Bryce, Randy

Campbell, Ruth Ann Dodman, Dave Douglas, Jack Fletcher, Lareina Rising

(via teleconference), Shannon Sasseville

Student Trustee Elisabeth Guthrie, Evan Rogers

Staff: Director of Education Jim Costello, Superintendent of Business Brian McKay,

Superintendents of Education, Angie Barrese, Gary Girardi, Helen Lane, Taf Lounsbury, Mark Sherman and Phil Warner and Heather Hughes, Public

Relations Officer

Regrets: Trustees Tom McGregor and Bob Murphy

Recording Secretary: Trish Johnston, Executive Assistant and Communications Officer

Call to Order: Chair Hudie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Hudie read the Traditional Territorial Acknowledgement.

Chair Hudie read an In Memoriam for student Ava Chauvin. A moment of

silence was observed.

#2018-67

Approval of the Agenda

Apr/24/2018

Moved by Jack Fletcher, seconded by Jane Bryce,

"That the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting Public Session of April

24, 2018 be approved."

CARRIED.

Declaration of Conflict of

Interest:

None

#2018-68

Approval of Minutes

Apr/10/2018

Moved by Jack Fletcher, seconded by Ruth Ann Dodman,

"That the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of

April 10, 2018."

CARRIED.

Business Arising None

#2018-69

Action of the Regular Board Private Session be

the Action of the Board

Moved by Scott McKinlay, seconded by Randy Campbell,

"That the Action of the Board in Private Session be the Action of the

Board."

CARRIED.

Questions from the Public None.

#2018-70

Policy and Regulations on Home Schooling

Report B-18-

Superintendent Sherman explained that the policy and regulations on *Home Schooling* have been revised to reflect current practices and terminology. Comments shared by Trustees at the March 27, 2018 Board Meeting have been incorporated into the revised regulations.

Moved by Jane Bryce, seconded by Dave Douglas,

"That the Board approve the revised policy and regulations on Home

Schooling

CARRIED.

#2018-71
Tender Award – FDK
Upgrade – Interior
Renovation, HVAC and
Site Improvement,
Tecumseh Public School
Report B-18-42

Superintendent McKay presented the tender results for the Tecumseh Public School Full-Day-Kindergarten(FDK) Upgrade – Interior Renovation, HVAC and site improvements. He broke down the elements of the tender noting the total cost is \$3,536,532.49 with \$2,581,110.00 covered by the Ministry Capital Grant and \$955,422 from School Condition Improvement Grant.

Moved by Jane Bryce, seconded by Randy Campbell,

"That the Board award the tender for Tecumseh Public School FDK Upgrade-Interior Renovation, HVAC and Site Improvements to the successful bidder Intrepid General Limited."

Superintendent McKay confirmed that construction would begin as soon as school is out and expects the construction to be completed by September 2018. He advised that the tender came in \$13,000 below budget.

CARRIED.

#2018-72 Appointment of Student Trustees for the 2018/2019 School Year Director Costello advised that the Student Senate met on April 23, 2018 to elect the Student Trustees for the 2018/2019 school year. Chair Hudie and Trustees Dodman and Murphy were in attendance at the meeting. Director Costello noted that this was the first time the LKDSB elected an Indigenous Student Trustee.

Moved by Ruth Ann Dodman, seconded by Jack Fletcher,

"That the Board approve the election of Autumn Bressette, Indigenous Student Trustee and Rihana Kukkadi and Alexandra Graham, Student Trustees, for the 2018/2019 school year."

Trustees congratulated the Student Trustees. Chair Hudie commented on the quality of all the applicants. Director Costello commented on options to accommodate the added position at the Board table.

CARRIED.

Transition Committee Updates

Superintendent Girardi advised that the members of the Plympton-Wyoming Public School Transition Committee held their last meeting and toured the new gym and daycare area. Members provided positive feedback. Administration is working with the Municipality regarding their plans to improve the main street crossing in the community.

Superintendent Girardi advised that the Transition Committee for Tecumseh Public School met on April 16, 2018 with about 40 members of the public in attendance. Representatives from the Tecumseh Secondary School Alumni Association made a presentation to the Transition Committee Members in favour of maintaining the totem pole at Tecumseh Public School. Transition Committee members had asked Administration to gather information from Indigenous communities on Tecumseh the man and totem poles. In response to the request, Administration invited Dr. Mark Aquash, Chair of the Walpole Island First Nation Board of Education and descendant of Tecumseh, to speak to the Transition Committee Members at the April 16, 2018 Meeting. Totem poles are a representation of West Coast Indigenous communities and Dr. Aquash shared information about his conversations with Indigenous representatives from the West Coast as well as a perspective on Superintendent Girardi advised that he also shared at the Transition Committee Meeting Dr. Robin Gray's letter on her perspective on the totem pole. Dr. Gray is a Ts'msyen from Lax Kw'alaams, British Columbia, and a University of California Santa Cruz President's Postdoctoral Fellow from 2015-2017. Superintendent Girardi also shared the definition and understanding of cultural appropriation. He advised the members of the Transition Committee and public that Senior Administration would make the

final decision on whether or not the totem pole would remain at Tecumseh Public School and that if it was to be removed, they would work with the Alumni Association about the removal.

Superintendent Girardi stated that the Dillon Consulting pedestrian travel pattern report was shared at the Transition Committee Meeting and will be posted on the LKDSB website. Administration is working with the Municipality of Chatham Kent regarding the recommendations which include maintaining the current cross walk and adding another one closer to the area requested by the Pupil Accommodation Committee members.

Superintendent Girardi advised that the opening of the SCITS time capsule would take place on April 28, 2018. Superintendent McKay provided an update on the construction and renovations at the former St. Clair Secondary School site. He explained that the construction of the steel structure had been delayed due to weather so the auditorium would likely be competed in October. The music room and Indigenous study room will be ready for the first day of school.

In response to Trustee Sasseville's question regarding possible resources to share to educate people on the history of totem poles, Director Costello confirmed that Administration had prepared information. Background information will be shared with Trustees. He advised that a letter would be going home to parents/guardians about the decision to remove the totem pole. Director Costello confirmed that this was an administrative decision, not a governance issue. He commented that based on research, the totem pole at Tecumseh Public School does not meet the definition of a totem pole. It is a piece of student art and will be returned to the creators.

In response to Vice-Chair McKinlay's question regarding a decision by the Transition Committee Members regarding the totem pole, Superintendent Girardi explained that information was presented to the members to educate them. They were advised that Senior Administration would make the decision and they did not make a recommendation to Senior Administration.

In response to Trustee Dodman's question about what would happen to the head plaques in the gym, Superintendent Girardi stated that the status of them would be included in the follow-up discussion with the Alumni representatives. In response to Student Trustee Rogers' question about the totem poles at Indian Creek Road Public School, Director Costello explained that they were created by Indigenous people from the West Coast. He noted the terrific teachable moment that this situation has created. Superintendent Girardi explained that during the Transition Committee Meetings, the Indian Creek Road Public School totem poles were discussed. The preliminary investigation showed that they were commissioned from a West Coast Chief. Superintendent Lane informed Trustees that the focus of the April 27, 2018 Professional Development Day is Indigenous Education. The LKDSB First Nations partners are involved. One of the topics is cultural appropriation. Trustees are welcome to attend either Chatham-Kent Secondary School or Northern Collegiate Institute & Vocational School beginning at 8:45 am.

Financial Report 2017/2018 School year Expenditures to February 28, 2018 Superintendent McKay presented the financial expenditures summary for the period from September 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018. This period represents about 50% of the operating expenses that occur over 12 months, and approximately 60 - 65% of the salary and benefit portion of the instructional operating expenses that occur over a 10 to 12 month period. For this reporting period, the total expenditure categories are tracking well against the budget. He commented on concerns with the over expenditure in the supply teacher budget. Superintendent McKay explained that the LKDSB supply teacher costs have

historically compared well to other school boards. The LKDSB is experiencing an increase in costs for absences due to illness and medical leaves. Every school board in Ontario is experiencing an increase in costs.

Superintendent McKay noted that the snow removal budget is over budget and staff are working to find savings in other areas of the budget. In response to Trustee Sasseville's question about snow removal during holidays, Superintendent McKay explained that the parking lots and sidewalks do have to be cleared for liability and safety reasons. He noted that members of the public and groups through the Community Use of Schools program use the school grounds and they must be safe.

Superintendent McKay explained that the teacher supply budget is based on a percentage of the teacher salary budget. At year end last year, the secondary supply budget was balanced and the elementary was over budget by approximately \$100,000. He confirmed that the Ministry does not provide enough funding to cover the actual costs. The Board takes money from other areas to cover the gap and the gap is widening. The Ministry is hearing this funding concern from all school boards.

In response to Vice-Chair McKinlay's question about analyzing data and efforts to support staff, Superintendent Warner referred to privacy issues and explained that diagnosis is usually vague. Director Costello explained that the School Board Cooperative Insurance collects data and the provincial data shows an increase in sick days across the province. ETFO published an article that indicated the increase was due to the increase in violence in the classroom. Director Costello commented that the government eliminated retirement gratuities which eliminated the banking of sick days. Superintendent Warner explained that the new collective agreements include medical appointments as sick days. The LKDSB previously had a culture that had staff book appointments outside of the school day. Now. since appointments are part of the collective agreement, appointments are booked during the school day which has contributed to the increase in use of sick time. Administration has added another Human Resources Officer to assist employees and reduce sick leave costs. Director Costello emphasized that Administration has no concern with people who are ill. The concern is about the fraudulent use of sick time and the associated costs. Superintendent Warner confirmed that Administration is not able to obtain information from insurance providers because ETFO, OSSTF and CUPE all control their own plans now. Superintendent Warner clarified the paid day off provided to OSSTF members was part of the contract remedy and the cost was funded by the Ministry. Director Costello confirmed that Administration has terminated individuals for fraudulent use of sick time.

**Trustee Questions** 

Trustee Fletcher referred to a letter in Sarnia Journal on April 13, 2018 titled *School Board could make amends by giving us SCITS* and requested a quick review of the regulations on disposition of surplus property. Director Costello explained that Ontario Reg. 444, under the Education Act, outlines how school boards must dispose of surplus sites. When a school board declares a site surplus to its needs, the school board must write a letter to the tier one entities offering them the property at fair market value. Entities included in tier one are colleges, universities, municipalities, government agencies and health care centres. If no one expresses an interest in the property, then it goes on the open market at fair market value. Superintendent McKay explained that the Ministry is involved in the entire process. If a school board and a tier one buyer cannot arrive at a purchase price, the school board must communicate with the Ministry to obtain a release from further negotiations and permission to post the property on the open market. He confirmed that timelines for each phase of Reg. 444

have been extended. Vice-Chair McKinlay explained that the LKDSB has a Surplus Sites Committee, comprised of the Chair and Vice-Chair, Director of Education and Superintendent of Business, that is empowered by the Board to approve offers of purchase if the offering price is 70% or greater than the fair market value. Offers below 70% must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Superintendent McKay confirmed that information on possible property in Lambton Shores, for the new Forest Kindergarten to Grade 12 School, would be provided at the second meeting in May.

Trustee Fletcher shared information from OPSBA encouraging school boards trustees to host an Education Day on May 23, 2018. OPSBA suggested that trustees invite candidates to an all candidates' meeting. Director Costello confirmed that Administration does not mandate schools to host all candidates' meetings. It is left up to local schools. Trustee Bryce commented on the size of the LKDSB district, which is comprised of very diversified electoral ridings, and noted that it would be a big undertaking for a trustee to organize, a meeting and secure a moderator, facility, etc.

Notice of Motion

Trustee Fletcher served Notice of Motion.

"That the LKDSB not provide water, sold in plastic bottles, to the attendees at all LKDSB meetings".

Announcements

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Chatham Education Centre.

The LKDSB Budget workshop is scheduled for May 1, 2018 via videoconference.

Adjournment 8:16 p.m.

There being no further business, Chair Hudie declared the meeting adjourned

at 8:16 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Director of Education and Secretary of the Board



## REPORT TO BOARD

**REPORT B-18-51** 

FROM: Jack Fletcher, Trustee

DATE: May 8, 2018

**SUBJECT: Discontinuing Provision of Bottled Water at** 

Trustee Fletcher served the following Notice of Motion at the April 24, 2018 Board Meeting:

"That the LKDSB not provide water, sold in plastic bottles" to the attendees at all LKDSB meetings."

## Rationale:

http://www.onegreenplanet.org/animalsandnature/whats-the-problem-with-plastic-bottles/ https://www.banthebottle.net/bottled-water-facts/ https://www.huffingtonpost.com/norm-schriever/post 5218 b 3613577.html

I believe the rationale for this motion is obvious but have provided three of many websites that point out the reasons why we need to cut back and perhaps even eliminate the use of plastic water bottles. You are encouraged to, at least, view one of these sites or do your own search.

At this point, when I attend meetings involving LKDSB, I do observe a number of plastic water bottles the Board has provided. I have used these bottles at many meetings but am now making the effort to bring my own non plastic container of water. There may be a problem policing this policy but do believe most people will respect the rationale behind the ban of providing plastic bottles of water at meetings.

I do realize that eliminating plastic water bottles at all LKDSB meetings will not make even a physical dent regarding the issue of too much plastic being dumped into our environment. But, I do believe as a Board of **Education**, we are making a statement that we will do our part to move us in the direction of responsible stewardship of our planet earth. To a large extent, this motion supports our vision, mission & belief statements as well as our engagement model.

## **Recommendation:**

"That the LKDSB not provide water, sold in plastic bottles" to the attendees at all LKDSB meetings."



## **REGULAR BOARD, PUBLIC SESSION**

REPORT NO: B-18-52

## **REPORT TO BOARD**

FROM: Jim Costello, Director of Education,

DATE: May 8, 2018

SUBJECT: Regulations on Display of Flags

It has become the practice of the LKDSB to lower flags in honour of individuals involved in tragic events. Item #9 in the LKDSD regulations on *Display of Flags* has been revised to incorporate this practice.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

"That the Board approve the revised regulations Display of Flags."



POLICY NO.: R-AD-145

# REGULATIONS

SUBJECT: Display of Flags

- 1. The National Flag of Canada shall be displayed on an exterior flagpole during normal hours of each school or working day. It is not contrary to etiquette to have the Flag flying at night.
- 2. New buildings shall be equipped with an exterior flagpole at the time of construction. Existing buildings not so equipped shall be provided with an exterior flagpole.
- 3. The National Flag of Canada and the Provincial Flag of Ontario shall be displayed in a prominent place inside each school.
- 4. Principals and building supervisors are responsible for monitoring the condition of, requesting the replacement of, and disposing of flags.
- 5. The National Flag must receive prominence at all times when displayed with other flags.
- 6. At the discretion of a Principal, a school may also display, on the flagpole or inside the school, the flag of the local municipality or other special purpose flag provided the flag meets acceptable community standards and is not directly connected with any political or religious group or cause.
- 7. Exterior flags throughout the system shall be lowered half-mast on the death of:
  - a) the Sovereign or member of the Royal Family related in the first degree to the Sovereign (husband or wife, son or daughter, father, mother, brother or sister),
  - b) the Governor-General or former Governor-General,
  - c) the Prime Minister of Canada or a former Prime Minister,
  - d) the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario or a former Lieutenant-Governor,
  - e) the Premier of Ontario or a former Premier,
  - f) a Member of the Federal or Provincial Electoral Riding, and
  - g) a Trustee of the Board.
- 8. Exterior flags at the Board's Education Centres shall be lowered to half-mast on the death of a present employee or student in the system when information is made available in a timely manner.

- 9. The Director of Education may order the lowering of flags to half-mast throughout the system or at an individual location, on the death of a person held in special regard in the system and/or in honour of individuals involved in tragic events.
- 10. Exterior flags at individual schools shall be lowered to half-mast on the death of a present staff member or student.
- 11. Principals may lower exterior flags to half-mast on the death of any non-employee such as volunteers and community resource persons who are held in special regard in the school or community.
- 12. Exterior flags shall be lowered briefly at 11:00 a.m. on Remembrance Day in memory of those who lost their lives in service for our Country.
- 13. Exterior flags shall be lowered on April 28 to honour the National Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace.

Implementation Date: January 17, 2006
Reviewed: January 11, 2011
Revised: April 24, 2012
Reviewed: September 26, 2017

Reference: Education Act, Regulation 262 Operation of Schools – General, Section 5. Flag

Government of Canada, Canadian Heritage

LKDSDB Policy Display of Flags



# REPORT TO THE BOARD REGULAR BOARD, PUBLIC SESSION

FROM: Jack Fletcher, Trustee and Vice-Chair of the Special Education Advisory

Committee

DATE: May 8, 2018

SUBJECT: SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) MEETING SUMMARY

The Special Education Advisory Committee of the Lambton Kent District School Board met on April 19, 2018 at Wallaceburg District Secondary School. Following is a report of the activities of the meeting:

## Presentations:

ASD: Continuation and Expansion of After-School Programs

Laurie McCarthy and Ashith Dev spoke about the Ministry-funded programs being offered at Alexander Mackenzie and Great Lakes Secondary Schools. The *After-School Skills Development Program* for higher functioning students with autism spectrum disorder developed at each school has been tailored to the needs of the participants. As the project's leads, Laurie and Ashith are ensuring that the work they do is sustainable. It is hoped that both Chatham-Kent and John McGregor secondary schools can offer the program beginning in the fall of 2018. The funding grant has been extended for the 2018-2019 school year.

How Do Post-Secondary Institutions Support Students? / Transitions Out of High School / Preparing Special Education Students for the Workplace

Bruce Davidson, Marie Anger, Coreen Wilkinson and Mary-Theresa Hiltz spoke about the ways in which students are supported as they prepare for post-secondary educational opportunities or the workforce. They cited options such as experiential learning; dual credit programs; SHSM courses; unique certification/accreditation programs; and, the provision of individual pathway planning support. Additional methods include: summer employment programs; cooperative education; participation in the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program; welding tickets; safe food handling certification; School Within a College (SWAC); and 'passport funding.

# **Special Education Report**

The members of SEAC approved the updates to the Special Education Plan that were presented. The revised information will be posted to the Board's website.

#### Correspondence

A letter (written in French) dated April 3, 2018 from Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario regarding the Advisory Committee for Children in Difficulty of the Catholic School Board of Ontario's support for the revitalization of the provincial strategy for students with special needs was received by SEAC, but no action was taken.

## Association Reports, Sharing of Best Practices and Other Business

Community Living's 'Transition Fair' was held and was very successful. A thank you letter from a parent was shared with SEAC and is included with this report; it has been modified to remove any personal identifiers. They will be offering Circle Training on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Community Living Sarnia Lambton will be offering its Summer Employment Program but it will be impacted by Bill 148 so it may be different than what's been offered in the past.

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Learning Disabilities Association of Chatham-Kent will be offering its summer program again; some will be in a one-week format.

Trustee Fletcher noted that the Thought Exchange that took place garnered a lot of feedback and the information will help inform the Board's decision in the future.

St. Clair Child & Youth Services will be offering its 5-week Dual Diagnosis program at LCCVI.

## **Next Meeting**

Thursday, May 17, 2018 @ Wallaceburg District Secondary School, Room 141@ 6:00 p.m. Rose Gallaway, SEAC Chair

THIS LETTER WAS SUBMITTED TO A BOARD EMPLOYEE AFTER A "TRANSITION FAIR" HELD RECENTLY. PERSONAL INFORMATION/ANMES HAVE BEEN REMOVED TO PROTECT PRIVACY.

I want to thank you for this evening.

It was very informative for us all. My son is still chatting about it. He told us "it felt nice to know I am not alone." That melted my heart and relieved it at the same time.

We have always told him there are other people within the autism spectrum. However it was tonight when we walked in that room that it truly opened him up to the realization it isn't just a few people. Until today he has only known of three people in the spectrum. We discussed many similarities he saw in others this evening.

Trying to keep this short. Thank you for the gift that didn't cost money, and yet is so important: self-esteem and a sense of belonging.

My son went to every booth, spoke to the representatives all on his own. He said he wanted to because "we are all the same".

Huge "Thank You" to all involved.



# BOARD REPORT REGULAR BOARD, PUBLIC SESSION

FROM: Lareina Rising, Trustee

DATE: May 8, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Indigenous Liaison Committee Report

The April 18, 2018 meeting of the Indigenous Liaison Committee (ILC) was held at Wallaceburg District Secondary School (WDSS) with Trustee Lareina Rising chairing.

**REPORT NO: B-18-54** 

The Record of Action from the February 14, 2018 meeting was approved with one addition. It was noted that Dr. Mark Aguash had welcomed the ILC members to Walpole Island for the meeting.

Reports from the First Nation Communities were received. Zandra Bear-Lowen, Director of Education for Kettle & Stony Point First Nation, indicated that she is still in the process of transitioning into her new role. Kim Sonneveld, the new education manager for Delaware First Nation, attended her first meeting in her new role. Mark Aquash reported that Walpole Island First Nation is busy working on a new service agreement with LKDSB, updating terms of reference, hiring a Director of Education, exploring land based learning initiatives and organizing a spring community pow wow for May 19th and 20th. Vicky Ware, from Aamjiwnaang First Nation, discussed the roll out of the Anishinabek Education System (AES) and plans to expand their post-secondary program. They are also working on a new service agreement with LKDSB. Aamjiwnaang First Nation's Indigenous Language Funding proposal was accepted and they will be developing a language app for early year students which will also support siblings and parents learning the language.

Trustee Rising brought forth a request to have detailed information about this year's Indigenous Education budget as well as the new budget information for the coming school year presented to the ILC. In addition, she expressed that representatives of the four First Nations are interested in learning more about the Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) and how they can become participating members in the community protocol and receive the required training. Trustee Rising also indicated that as the communities were in the process of drafting a memo of understanding regarding terms of reference, consensus based decision making would continue to be the format for the ILC meetings.

Mino Giizhgad, in his new Indigenous Lead position for LKDSB, provided more information about the April 27<sup>th</sup> P.A. Day and extended an invitation for ILC members to attend. Mino Giizhgad also shared that preparations for the Youth Symposiums at Alexander Mackenzie Secondary School (AMSS), North Lambton Secondary School (NLSS), Wallaceburg District Secondary School (WDSS) and Ridgetown District High School (RDHS) were going well. Native Language teachers and educators in the local First Nation communities continue to work on professional development through a local collaborative inquiry. He also shared the discussion about the totem pole at Tecumseh Public School, Chatham, and the concerns about cultural appropriation. Mino Giizhgad informed the ILC that Jason Plain, former NHL hockey player and member of Aamjiwnaang First Nation, was sharing his story. He was presenting at six LKDSB high schools this spring and will present at the remaining six LKDSB high schools in the Fall.

Superintendent Helen Lane reviewed the information about student trustee elections that had been sent out and expressed that she was excited about the selection of LKDSB's first Indigenous Student Trustee. She also inquired about possible dates for the 2018-2019 ILC meetings, input about smudging in schools and signing of the Board Action Plan by representatives of ILC.

Reports from School Administrators were sent to the committee prior to the meeting. Chatham-Kent Secondary School (CKSS) Vice-Principal Campeau shared that CKSS was one of the host sites for the April 27<sup>th</sup> P.D. Day as well as a Youth Symposium. He also shared that the new Indigenous Room was beginning to take shape. Vice-Principal Falla of WDSS, spoke about the Harriet Jacobs Centre at the school and many of the upcoming events scheduled for May and June.

Future agenda items included ILC members attending the regional Indigenous Leads meetings.

The next ILC meeting is scheduled on May 16, 2018 at Kettle & Stony Point First Nation at 6:00 p.m.