Inaugural Board Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 16, 2026 **5:30 p.m.**

Education Centre Boardroom

A - 1 **Opening**

(a) Call to Order (J. Roberto)
(b) Roll Call
(c) Welcome to Open Session / Land Acknowledgement Statement

The Grand Erie District School Board recognizes Six Nations of the Grand River and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, as the longstanding peoples of this territory. We honour, recognize, and respect these communities as well as all First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples who reside within the Grand Erie District School Board. We are all stewards of these lands and waters where we now gather, learn and play, and commit to working together in the spirit of Reconciliation.

B - 1 **Action / Information Items**

* (a) Appointment of Six Nations of the Grand River First Nation Trustee and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Trustee Report (J. Roberto)

Recommended Motion:

"THAT the Board re-appoint Claudine VanEvery-Albert as the Six Nations of the Grand River Trustee for the term November 16, 2026 to November 14, 2030."

Recommended Motion:

"THAT the Board appoint R. Stacey Laforme as the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Trustee for the term November 16, 2026 to November 14, 2030."

* (b) Results of School Board Trustee Elections 2026 (J. Roberto) (I)
(c) Declaration and Oath of Office (J. Roberto) (I)
(d) Trustee Code of Ethics (J. Roberto) (I)

C - 1 **Selection of Slate of Officers for 2027**

(a) Appointment of Scrutineers (J. Roberto) (I)
Superintendents Graham and Thompson
(b) Method of Nominating (J. Roberto) (I)
(c) Nominations for Board Chair (J. Roberto) (I)
(d) Nominations for Board Vice-Chair (Chair of the Board) (I)
(e) Motion to Destroy Ballots (Chair of the Board)

Recommended Motion:

"THAT the ballots be destroyed."

D - 1 **Chair's Inaugural Address**

E - 1 **Adjournment**

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Background
As per Grand Erie District School Board's By-Law and Policies section 1.3, Six Nations of the Grand River and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Elected Council has appointed/re-appointed the following trustees to represent the interests of students and staff under the Education Service Agreements:

- C. VanEvery-Albert, Six Nations of the Grand River
- R. Stacey LaForme, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

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Respectfully submitted,

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Results of School Board Trustee Elections 2026

Grand Erie's Board of Trustees following the municipal election:

City of Brantford
- Susan Gibson (re-elected)
- Greg Anderson (re-elected)
- Carol Ann Sloat (re-elected)
- John Bradford (re-elected)

Norfolk County, wards 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6
- Elizabeth Whiton (re-elected)
- Eva Dixon

Brant County and Norfolk County, wards 3 & 7
- Rita Collver (re-elected)
- Lorraine DeJong

Haldimand County
- Jen Montague
- Lisa Passmore (re-elected)

Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council re-appointed Claudine VanEvery-Albert as the trustee to the Grand Erie District School Board representing the interests of Six Nations students and staff under the Education Services Agreement.

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Elected Council appointed R. Stacey LaForme as the trustee to the Grand Erie District School Board representing the interests of Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation students and staff under the Education Services Agreement.

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