



Six Nations Advisory Committee

Thursday April 18, 2024

1:00 p.m.

McKinnon Park Secondary School, Indigenous Portable

AGENDA

- A - 1 **Opening**
- (a) Ohen:ton Karihwatehkwen J. Laight
 - (b) Land Acknowledgement Statement K. Graham
 - (c) Introduction of New Members & Roll Call C. VanEvery-Albert
 - (d) Approval of Agenda C. VanEvery-Albert
 - Recommended that the Agenda be approved with the following additions/deletions:*
 - (e) Student Showcase J. Laight
 - (f) Student Senate Update A. Skye
- B - 1 **ESA Staff Updates**
- (a) Updates from each school ESA Staff
 - J. Laight (Native Advisor)
 - C. Vyse (Native Counsellor) - BCIVS & PJCVS
 - D. VanEvery (Native Counsellor) - HSS
 - D. Powless (Community Liaison Worker)
- C - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings - Nil**
- D - 1 * **Approval of Minutes**
- Recommended that the Minutes of the February 22, 2024 meeting be approved with the following revisions:*
- C. VanEvery-Albert
- E - 1 **New Business**
- Indigenous Awards C. VanEvery-Albert
- F - 1 **Information Items**
- (a) Six Nations Annual General Meeting Planning Update J. Laight/D. VanEvery
 - (b) Education Services Agreement Update C. VanEvery-Albert
 - (c) Indigenous Language Update J. Laight
 - (d) Grand Erie-Kanienkehaka Circle Update K. Graham
 - (e) Meeting Dates: K. Graham
 - May 16, 2024 (Six Nations Annual General Meeting)
 - June 13, 2024 (*In person)
 - (f) Land-based Learning Course Bundle D. VanEvery
- G - 1 **Next Meeting**
- Thursday May 16, 2024 (Annual General Meeting) C. VanEvery-Albert
- H - 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**



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Chair:	C. VanEvery-Albert, Trustee
Community Representative(s):	A. Powless-Bomberry, Six Nations Elected Council Representative Amanda General, Kawenní:io/Gawení:yo Private School T. Anderson, Indigenous Services Canada Director of Education responsible for Six Nations Federal Schools
Trustees:	A. Skye, Indigenous Student Trustee E. Thomas, Trustee
Grand Erie Staff:	R. Hill-Beauchamp, Indigenous Education Counsellor K. Graham, Superintendent of Education J. Laight, Six Nations Indigenous Advisor D. Powless, Community Liaison Worker D. VanEvery, Indigenous Education Counsellor C. Vyse, Indigenous Education Counsellor
Grand Erie Staff (Resources):	Nil.
Organizations/ Agencies:	Nil.
Regrets:	S. Graham, Six Nations Federal Schools Representative J. Roberto, Director of Education
Absent	Nil.
Guest	Nil.
Recording Secretary:	D. Fletcher, Executive Assistant

- A - 1 **Opening**
- (a) **Ohen: ton Karihwatehkwen**
Six Nations Indigenous Advisor J. Laight provided opening greetings.
- (b) **Land Acknowledgment Statement**
Superintendent Graham read the Land Acknowledgment statement.
- (c) **Introduction & Roll Call**
Introductions and Roll call were completed.
- (d) **Approval of Agenda**
The agenda was approved by consensus.
- (e) **Student Showcase**
Student Trustee Skye presented the Indigenous Student Trustee Report. Highlights included: Indigenous Student Leadership Initiative (Land Acknowledgment), OSTA-AECO Education Action Conference 2024, Student Senate, and Student Trustee visits to promote student voice and student trustee elections.
- B - 1 **ESA Staff Roundtable**
- (a) **Introductions and Updates from each school**
Six Nations Indigenous Advisor, J. Laight shared some current initiatives: Indigenous Languages, Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee (GEPIC) presentation, Student Senate Election Process,



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Indigenous Student Leadership Initiative (March 20, 2024), ELS20 course, Transition Events (March 7, 2024), Science & Technology Awards for Youth (STAY), Land Based Credit Bundle.

Indigenous Education Counsellor, R. Hill-Beauchamp shared some initiatives/events at McKinnon Park Secondary School to support students: PLAR process, course selections, Multilingual Language Learners (MLL), ongoing collaboration with the Cultural Mentor, and continued support with students at risk.

Indigenous Education Counsellor C. Vyse shared initiatives/events at Brantford Collegiate Institute and Vocational School to support students: PD Day (Guest Speaker on importance of the Mentor Room), award recipients from Six Nations Council, Lacrosse Program, Tour of Fanshawe, Socials and Workshops, and Niagara Peninsula Aboriginal Area Management Board (NPAAMB) presentation. At Pauline Johnson Collegiate Institute and Vocational School, she has been involved with award recipients from the Six Nations Council, Guest Speaker (E. Doxtator), and activities such as social songs, and lunch and learn (led by Cultural Mentor).

Indigenous Education Counsellor D. VanEvery shared initiatives/events at Hagersville Secondary School/NewStart Program to support students: award recipients from Six Nations Council, Dawn Bomberry meeting with grads to support funding applications, skills trade visits (Cultural Mentor), course selection, Lacrosse course for 2025, and partnership with Adult Ed GELA Day program.

Community Liaison Worker D. Powless shared that he has been working with students on: re-engagement with parents/students, building relationships, supporting the Lacrosse Program, connecting with school VPs for student updates and continuing to support students as needed.

C - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings - Nil**

D - 1 **Approval of Minutes**

(a) **Approval of Minutes – December 14, 2023**

Trustee Thomas moved THAT the minutes of the Six Nations Advisory Committee held on December 14, 2023 be approved. The minutes were approved.

Carried

E - 1 **New Business**

(a) **Meeting Dates**

The following are the remaining meeting dates scheduled for 2023-24.

- April 18, 2024 (*In person) Indigenous Room at McKinnon Park Secondary School
- May 16, 2024 (Six Nations Annual General Meeting (Time TBD))
- June 13, 2024 (*In person)

F - 1 **Information Items**

(a) **Student Senate Update**

Presented in agenda item A-1-e.

(b) **Principal's Report**

Principals of the "Big 6" schools will attend throughout the 2024-25 school year to present their school report.

(c) **Six Nations Annual General Meeting (AGM) Planning Update**



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The Six Nations Annual General Meeting will be held at the Six Nations Community Centre from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. It will be promoted through social media, newspapers, and radio. Various booths of information will be displayed.

(d) **Education Services Agreement Update**

Information has been gathered that will be provided in the next Education Services Agreement update.

(e) **Indigenous Language Update**

Presented in agenda item B-1-a.

(f) **Grand Erie-Kanienkehaka Circle Update**

Grand Erie participation with the Kanienkehaka Circle is expected to start in the Spring 2024. Seven school boards are part of the Mohawk Circle.

G - 1 **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, April 18, 2024 - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00p.m.
Indigenous Room, McKinnon Park Secondary School

H - 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**

Six Nations Indigenous Advisor, J. Laight gave the closing address.
Chair VanEvery-Albert adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.