

## REPORT OF THE FIRST NATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 16, 2021  
3:06 p.m. – 3:57 p.m.

### MEMBERS

C. Antone, Chair  
B. McKinnon, Trustee (ex officio)  
A. Morell, Trustee  
B. Summers, Oneida Nation of the Thames

**Regrets:** J. Bennett, E. Young, O. Correia

### ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS

K. Auckland, Superintendent of Student Achievement  
C. Camillo, FNMI Learning Coordinator of the Thames  
S. McGahey-Albert, FNMI Education Advisor  
M. Koop, Principal, Delaware Central P.S. (+3:36)  
J. Patterson, Vice-Principal, Saunders S.S.  
M. Saunders, Principal, Full Remote Learning  
N. Kechego, Student Rep. Chippewa of the Thames  
G. Doxtator, System Principal of Indigenous Education  
F. Huff, Education Director, Chippewa of the Thames  
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N. Keller, Student Trustee  
M. Ferdinand, Manager  
S. Smith, Corporate Services  
J. Capaldi, Communications  
S. Hambides, Principal, S.D.C. I  
R. Shave, Principal, B. Davison S.S.  
V. Jones, Vice-Principal, H.B. S.S.  
C. Breen, Vice-Principal, Lambeth P.S.

#### 1. Call to Order

C. Antone called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. through a virtual Teams meeting.

#### 2. Confirmation of Agenda

The agenda was approved on motion.

#### 3. Conflicts of Interest

None declared.

#### 4. Report of the Previous Meeting

The First Nations Advisory Committee Report of the 2020 November 17 meeting was provided for information.

#### 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

K. Auckland confirmed the Full Remote Learning Principals were invited to the meeting.

#### 6. Program Spotlight (Standing Item)

K. Auckland advised a request will be sent out to recruit Program Spotlight participants for the remainder of this academic year.

#### 7. Indigenous Student Trustee Announcements (Standing Item)

None.

#### 8. Learning Support Services Update

##### a. Board Action Plan (BAP) Update (Standing Item)

C. Camillo provided an update on the tutoring program provided by Western students noting 10 requests were received to date. So far 7 students have been matched with a tutor. It was noted Math and English are the most requested subjects.

In response to a question, C. Camillo advised the tutors are only available virtually.

C. Camillo provided details regarding the Ojibway language program at Saunders S.S. noting the program will be offered at H.B. Beal S.S. next quadmester. Updates were provided regarding credit recovery, as well as classroom support offered by cultural teachers.

K. Auckland provided an update on cultural funds noting 2021 March 15 is the deadline for invoices to be received. K. Auckland advised each school was sent an update with their remaining balance noting any additional questions should be directed to K. Aitken.

**9. School Counselling and Social Work Services Update (Standing Item)**

M. Ferdinand reported counselors are meeting with students virtually, by phone and in person and provided a staffing update.

**10. Principal Updates (Standing Item)**

Principals/Vice Principals, attending the meeting, referred to the written reports provided to committee members. Initiatives, events and programming were highlighted.

**11. Community Updates (Standing Item)**

**a. Chippewa of the Thames First Nation**

None.

**b. Munsee-Delaware Nation**

None.

**c. Oneida Nation of the Thames**

B. Summers provided an update on Oneida Nation of the Thames noting the community is closed to the public making it difficult to provide support through Indigenous Graduation Coaches. A portable is being built that will provide an additional learning space noting the target date for completion is the end of March.

B. Summers advised the community schools will adhere to the original dates scheduled for March break. B. Summers provided an update on transportation for students. B. Summers reported she is focused on planning for in-person learning for the 2021-2022 academic year.

**12. Other Business**

Trustee Antone advised she may make changes to the FNAC agenda noting any changes would be in place for the next meeting.

**13. 2021 Meeting Dates**

The next meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

**14. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. by motion.

**Recommendations:** None.

**Carol Antone**  
CHAIRPERSON