



Six Nations Advisory Committee

Thursday June 19, 2025

1:00 p.m.

Indigenous Education Room, Haldimand School Support Centre/
MS Teams Virtual Meeting

AGENDA

- A - 1 **Opening**
- (a) Ohen: ton Karihwatehkwen C. VanEvery-Albert
 - (b) Land Acknowledgement Statement L. Munro
 - (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 S. Hill
- B - 1 **Consent Agenda** C. VanEvery-Albert
- Recommended Motion:**
- "THAT Six Nations Advisory Committee accept the June 12, 2025 Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained herein"*
- (a) Approve the minutes of:
 - * (i) Six Nations Advisory Committee minutes dated April 17, 2025
- C - 1 **ESA Staff Updates**
- (a) Updates from each school ESA Staff
 - Carey Vyse (Native Counsellor) - BCIVS & PJCVS
 - Carly Vyse (Native Counsellor) - HSS
 - D. Powless (Native Counsellor) - MPSS
 - A. Williams (Community Liaison)
 - S. Hill (Six Nations Advisor)
- D - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings**
- (a)
- E - 1 **New Business**
- (a) ESA Update C. VanEvery-Albert
 - (b) Partnership Across the District C. VanEvery-Albert /L. Munro
- F - 1 **Information Items**
- (a) System Updates L. Munro
 - (b) Meeting Dates: L. Munro
 - TBD
- G - 1 **Next Meeting** C. VanEvery-Albert
- TBD
- H - 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**



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Chair:

C. VanEvery-Albert, Trustee

**Community
Representative(s):
Trustee:**

A. Powless-Bomberry, Six Nations Elected Council Representative

Grand Erie Staff:

A. Hill Indigenous Student Trustee

E. Thomas, Trustee

K. Graham, Superintendent of Education

S. Hill, Six Nations Advisor

D. Powless, Indigenous Education Counsellor

J. Roberto, Director of Education

Carey Vyse, Indigenous Education Counsellor

Carly Vyse, Indigenous Education Counsellor

A. Williams, Community Liaison Worker

M. Turner, Secondary Teacher (Nations/NewStart)

**Grand Erie
Staff/Resources
Regrets:**

D. Montour, System Principal Leader of Indigenous Education
(Acting)

Absent

C. VanEvery-Albert, Everlasting Tree School

T. Anderson, Indigenous Services Canada Director of Education
responsible for Six Nations Federal Schools

A. General, Kawenní:io/Gawení:yo Private School

S. Graham, Six Nations Federal Schools Representative

Nil

Guest

Recording Secretary:

D. Fletcher, Executive Assistant

A - 1 Opening

(a) Ohen: ton Karihwatehkwen

S. Hill 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

M. Turner invited Student Trustee A. Hill to share his experiences at Nations/NewStart. He highlighted the benefits of dual-credit workshops, presentations, independent learning, and extra-curricular participation.

B - 1 Consent Agenda

Moved by: D. Powless

Seconded by: E. Thomas



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THAT Six Nations Advisory Committee accept the April 17, 2025 Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained herein

Approve the minutes of:

(i) Six Nations Advisory Committee minutes dated February 27, 2025

Carried

C - 1 **ESA Staff Roundtable**

(a) **Introductions and Updates from each school**

Common learning initiatives and events across the district included: Workshops: (Six Nations Wellness (Tree and Tosh), Resume Writing, Wampum Belt), Right Fit Event (March 6), Attending interdepartmental meeting – Indigenous Speaker Bradley Howie, UISC Meeting, Support with Time-tabling/Incoming Transfers, UISC monthly meetings, Fanshawe meet and greet, Right Fits tours, Lunch Information Session (Health Services), Transition Meetings/Federal Schools, Students accepting College/University offers, Students completing Credit Recovery from Semester 1, Students completing PLAR testing. Working with colleges in the states- admission for student, STEAM Social, and In School/Parent/ESA meetings,

Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School: Six Nations Council Chief Hill visit to classes (Q&A), Blanket Type Exercise Workshop.

Brantford Collegiate Institute and Vocational School: POW WOW at Fanshawe College, peer support and study group, BCI Mustang spirit building (inclusivity), Boys Field Lacrosse, and initiative of Girls Field Lacrosse team, upcoming Crawford Lake visit, "Picture yourself at College" – Fanshawe College, Six Nations Polytech information session.

Hagersville Secondary School/NewStart Program: Collaborating with Ganokwashra, Child & Youth Mental Health, Ganokwashra Wellness Workshops- Vision Boards, MCFN Educational Supports, Six Nations Health Services, Harmony Movement Words Matter Campaign, and Indspire Presentation for graduating students attending post-secondary in the fall

A question was asked about data retention changes amidst the student influx. An exit survey will be sent out that identifies student interests, helping maintain relevant programming.

The ESA highlights representation on our Board, and the promotion of our program/course options, including electives and compulsory subjects. A comprehensive elective guide curriculum has been created that outlines the variety of electives available to take.

McKinnon Park Secondary School: Men's Lacrosse Team, Grand River Post Secondary Education Office (GRPSEO) information session, Grand River Employment and Training (GREATSN) information session, Grade 7 day (Programs highlighted at school), and Six Nations CMHW referrals



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Regarding the GRPSEO applications, they are occasionally incomplete. GRISPEO provides workshops and one-on-one support, although students do not receive notifications if information is missing.

Community Liaison Worker: Initiatives include working with: Cultural Mentors and Guidance Counsellors, Vice-Principals to support students, collaborating with counsellors, family meetings, referrals to Children's mental health, in school team meetings, BCI Girls Field Lacrosse Team, Grade 7 day @ CSS, helping with Right Fit activity.

S. Hill: Various workshops with secondary schools through United Indigenous Student Council (UISC) includes the blanket exercise, WAMPUM belt, Great Law, Allyship, creation story, and transitions to secondary. Program support includes land-based programs and Mohawk language programs at BCI and PJ. Continued support for educators with eLearning courses and preparations for the upcoming year persists.

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

(a) **Annual General Meeting (May 15, 2025)**

The AGM and proposed agenda were reviewed. Two sessions will be offered on May 15, 2025: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

To boost parent attendance, Communications is developing various marketing materials including postcards, newspaper ads, and social media posts. Additionally, emails will be sent to parents via school messenger. The event will also be included in the Director's bulletin.

E - 1 **New Business**

(a) **ESA Update**

The summary was provided verbally. Once confirmation is received from Indigenous Services of Canada (ISC), the rollout can proceed. Six Nations Polytechnic has transitioned into a high school.

(b) **Partnership Across the District**

Partnerships focused on Truth and Reconciliation initiatives this year include: Transitions to support students at Federal Schools – “You Belong Here”, “Tech is Grand” Day, “Grade 8” Day, Grade 8 course selection, Registration support days, Grade 8 transition meetings, “Grade 8 EPIC Jobs” Event, Federal Government Technology (IPADS, charging stations at schools), Grade 7 Tours, and RIGHT Fit.

The Artificial Intelligence P&P Procedure has been created.

F - 1 **Information Items**

(a) **System Updates**

System updates included: Music Program Boost at North Park, McKinnon Student Art Exhibition, Tech is Grand!, Building Resilient Classrooms, Wrestling Returns to Hagersville, Days of Significance, Kick-Start to Kindergarten, Black Graduation Coach, Secondary Math PD, Facility Serviced PD, Innovation Hub Hosts Hackathon, Family STEAM Event, HSS Teacher Inspires Young Learners, “You’re a Chef” at Langton Public School, Winter Carnival at Rainham Central, Incoming Student Trustees Ready to Lead,



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Centre of Excellence in Action, Staff Take Part in Sledge Hockey, and Youth Citizen of the Year – Hailey Diduck.

(b) **Meeting Dates**

Meeting dates scheduled for 2025:

- May 15, 2025 (Annual General Meeting)
- June 12, 2025

G - 1 **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, June 12, 2025, location to be determined.

H - 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**

S. Hill gave the closing address.

Chair VanEvery-Albert adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.