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BOARD MEETING NO. 16 (SPECIAL)

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Via Microsoft Teams

Ian MacRae
Director of Education

Ellen Chambers
Chair

AGENDA

PUBLIC SESSION

4:30 P.M. – Via Microsoft Teams

	<u>Resource Person</u>	<u>Pages</u>
1. Call to Order		
2. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest		
3. Approval of the Agenda		
4. Land Acknowledgment		
5. First Nation Trustee Report (059-20)	I. MacRae	1-2
6. Declaration and Oath of Allegiance	I. MacRae	
7. Adjournment		

Trustees (Chair and Vice-Chair) and presenters of reports will be available
for comment after the Board Meeting.

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

LAKEHEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

2020 JULY 28
Report No. 059-20

TO THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD - Public Session

RE: FIRST NATION TRUSTEE REPORT

1. Background

- 1.1 The United Nations Declaration on the Rights to Indigenous People (of which Canada is an official signatory) identifies clearly that education systems around the world, and in particular those in countries that are signatories, must reflect and endorse education that induces languages, the history and the cultures of Indigenous peoples.
- 1.2 Among the Calls to Action in the 2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commission, to identify the needs for ongoing review and subsequent action for appropriate curriculum reform and sufficient funding for development and implementation of revised curriculum. (Reference p. 95 *OPSBA's Guide to Good Governance 2018-2022*)
- 1.3 Lakehead District School Board is proud of the work we have done towards this goal in partnership with our Indigenous community.
- 1.4 On June 11, 2019, the Lakehead District School Board passed a resolution to work with the First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom we have a signed Education Service Agreement, and work together to appoint a person to be a member of the Lakehead District School Board of Trustees.

2. Situation

- 2.1 The Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee (AEAC) was consulted to determine the most appropriate process for identifying and appointing an Indigenous trustee to the Board.
- 2.2 The First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom we have a signed Education Service Agreement determined that because the Board resides on the traditional territories of Fort William First Nation, the first appointed Indigenous trustee would come from that community.
- 2.3 On July 20, 2020, an election was held on Fort William First Nation for the position of trustee for the Lakehead District School Board.
- 2.4 The successful candidate in the election was Scottie Jonathan Wemigwans.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 It was resolved that the Lakehead District School Board request that the First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom we have a signed Education Service Agreement, work together to appoint a person to be a member of the Lakehead District School Board of Trustees.
- 3.2 The First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom we have a signed Education Service Agreement determined the appointed trustee would come from the Fort William First Nation, who held an election to select their appointee.
- 3.3 Be it resolved that:
Lakehead District School Board confirm the appointment of Scottie Jonathan Wemigwans to the Lakehead District School Board effective July 28, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

AJ KEENE
Superintendent of Education

IAN MACRAE
Director of Education