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Public
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STANDING COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Jim McCuaig Education Centre
Virtual via Microsoft Teams

I. MacRae
Director of Education

T. Tuchenhagen
Chair

AGENDA

PUBLIC SESSION
7:30 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. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session		
5. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Closed Session – 6:35 p.m. (SEE ATTACHED AGENDA)		
6. Land Acknowledgement		
7. Delegations/Presentations		
7.1 Introduction of 2022-2023 Indigenous Student Trustee	T. Tuchenhagen	Verbal
8. Approval of Minutes		
8.1 Standing Committee Meeting - February 8, 2022	T. Tuchenhagen	1-4
9. Business Arising from the Minutes		
<u>MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:</u>		
10. Information Reports		
10.1 COVID-19 General Update	I. MacRae	Verbal

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

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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11.	First Reports		
<u>MATTERS FOR DECISION:</u>			
12.	Postponed Reports		
13.	Ad Hoc and Special Committee Reports		
14.	New Reports		
14.1	Approval of Appointment to the Special Education Advisory Committee (027-22)	M. Probizanski	5
	<i>It is recommended that Lakehead District School Board approve the appointment of Sarah Niles as a replacement member to the Special Education Advisory Committee representing Dilico Anishinabek Family Care, for the term ending November 30, 2022.</i>		
14.2	Appointment of an External Member to the Audit Committee (030-22)	K. Alaksa	6
	<i>It is recommended that Lakehead District School Board appoint Mr. Lorenzo Di Gregorio as an external member to the Audit Committee to serve a three-year term commencing March 22, 2022 and ending March 22, 2025.</i>		
14.3	Indigenous Trustee Report (032-22)	A. Keene	7-8
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15.	New Business		
16.	Notices of Motion		
17.	Information and Inquiries		
18.	Adjournment		

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5.1.1 Standing Committee Meeting - February 8, 2022	T. Tuchenhagen	1-2
5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes		
5.3 Consideration of Reports		
5.3.1 Legal Matters	I. MacRae	Verbal
5.4 Information and Inquiries		
5.5 Rise and Ask Leave to Sit in Public Session		

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LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Virtual
Via Microsoft Teams

2022 FEB 08
7:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Ellen Chambers (Chair)
Trudy Tuchenhagen (Vice Chair)
Marg Arnone
Sue Doughty-Smith
Deborah Massaro

Ron Oikonen
George Saarinen
Jesslynn Friday (Indigenous Student Trustee)
Mehar Mago (Student Trustee)

TRUSTEE ABSENT, WITH REGRET:

Ryan Sitch
Scottie Wemigwans

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Ian MacRae, Director of Education
Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business
AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education
Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Angela Lee-Wiwcharyk, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Chambers

“THAT the Agenda for Standing Committee Meeting, February 8, 2022, be approved.”

CARRIED

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT we resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session with Trustee Tuchenhagen in the chair to consider the following:

- *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting – January 11, 2022;*
- *Legal Matters;*

and that this meeting shall not be open to the public pursuant to Section 207 (2) of the Education Act as amended.”

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – CLOSED SESSION:

3. Committee of the Whole – Closed Session items were dealt with in their entirety.

PUBLIC SESSION:

4. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT the Standing Committee approve the Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting, January 11, 2022.”

CARRIED

MATTERS NOT FOR DECISION:

5. 2022 Municipal Elections – Trustee Determination and Distribution (026-22)

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, introduced Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business, who introduced Bruce Sauder, Administrative Services, to present the report. All trustees’ questions were addressed.

6. COVID-19 General Update

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, introduced AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, and Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business, who both provided verbal updates on current COVID-19 related matters affecting Lakehead District School Board. All trustees’ questions were addressed.

7. Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – September 16, 2021

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, presented the minutes.

8. Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – November 4, 2021

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, presented the minutes.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

9. School Year Calendar 2022-2023 (020-22)

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board:

1. *Approve the proposed 2022-2023 elementary school year calendar, including the opening and closing dates and professional activity days, as described in Appendix A of Report No. 020-22.*
2. *Approve the proposed 2022-2023 secondary school year calendar, including the opening and closing dates, professional activity days and examination days, as described in Appendix B of Report No. 020-22.”*

CARRIED

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, indicated there was an amendment to the elementary and secondary school year calendars based on information received by the Ministry of Education regarding the Professional Activity (PA) days for 2022-2023. In the elementary calendar, the PA day scheduled for March 3, 2023 has been rescheduled for October 24, 2022. For the secondary calendar, the PA days scheduled for November 18, 2022, and March 3, 2023, have been rescheduled to October 24, 2022, and April 28, 2023. The updated calendars will be included in the February 22, 2022, Regular Board agenda package for reference.

10. Policy Review – 4023 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition for Mature Students (021-22)

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Chambers

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 4023 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition for Mature Students Policy as indicated in Report No. 021-22.”

CARRIED

11. Policy Review – Student Trustees (022-22)

Moved by Trustee Chambers

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 3095 Student Trustees Policy, Appendix A to Report No. 022-22.”

CARRIED

12. Policy Development -3002 Annual Evaluation of the Director of Education (023-22)

Moved by Trustee Chambers

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 3002 Annual Evaluation of the Director of Education Policy, Appendix A, to Report No. 023-22.”

CARRIED

13. Policy Review – 4010 Program Implementation (024-22)

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Chambers

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 4010 Program Implementation Policy as indicated in Report No. 024-22.”

CARRIED

14. Policy Review – 8090 Community/Education Partnerships (025-22)

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 8090 Community/Education Partnerships Policy as indicated in Report No. 025-22.”

CARRIED

15. Information and Inquiries

15.1 Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, informed trustees that the Student Census website had launched, and that Lakehead Public Schools has been sharing the information with students and parents/guardians. The official start date of the Student Census will be Monday, February 14, 2022.

15.2 Trustee Chambers informed trustees of an email she had received from the Antisemitism Education Foundation and that she would forward the email to trustees.

16. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT we do now adjourn at 8:30 p.m.”

CARRIED

LAKEHEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

2022 MAR 08
Report No. 027-22

TO THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
THE STANDING COMMITTEE – Public Session

RE: APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

1. Background

- 1.1 According to Reg. 464/97 of the Education Act, the Board must establish a Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC).
- 1.2 Membership on SEAC is determined by the regulation:
 - no more than 12 representatives and alternate representatives of local associations that operate within the area of jurisdiction of the Board;
 - two trustees and two alternate trustees; and
 - one or more additional members who are neither representatives of a local association nor members of the Board or another committee of the Board.
- 1.3 At the Inaugural Board Meeting on December 4, 2018, Lakehead District School Board (LDSB) approved nine representatives from local associations/organizations for membership and four alternates, as well as two community representatives and one alternate representative to SEAC for the next four-year term.
- 1.4 The Special Education Advisory Committee is committed to collaborating with community partners by “enhancing communication through the strengthening of community relationships”.

2. Situation

- 2.1 Dilico Anishinabek Family Care has submitted a replacement nomination for the appointment of Sarah Niles as a SEAC representative.
- 2.2 Dilico Anishinabek Family Care is a partner with LDSB and is an asset to SEAC.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Lakehead District School Board approve the appointment of Sarah Niles as a replacement member to the Special Education Advisory Committee representing Dilico Anishinabek Family Care, for the term ending November 30, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHELLE PROBIZANSKI
Superintendent of Education

IAN MACRAE
Director of Education

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

2022 MAR 08
Report No. 030-22

TO THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
THE STANDING COMMITTEE – Public Session

RE: APPOINTMENT OF AN EXTERNAL MEMBER TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Background

According to Ontario Regulation 361/10 *Audit Committees*, the Lakehead District School Board Audit Committee is comprised of three trustees and two external members.

2. Situation

- 2.1 Jeff Heney's term as an external member of the Audit Committee expired on December 31, 2021.
- 2.2 In January 2022, an advertisement for an external member of the Audit Committee was placed on the Board's website.
- 2.3 Lorencio Di Gregorio applied for the external member position, which was posted to replace Jeff Heney. In accordance with Ontario Regulation 361/10, Mr. Di Gregorio meets the requirements to be appointed as an External Member to the Audit Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Lakehead District School Board appoint Mr. Lorencio Di Gregorio as an external member to the Audit Committee to serve a three year term commencing March 22, 2022 and ending March 22, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

KIRSTI ALAKSA
Superintendent of Business

IAN MACRAE
Director of Education

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2022 MAR 08
Report No. 032-22

TO THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE - Public Session

RE: INDIGENOUS 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, two, 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 (LDSB) is proud of the work we have done towards this goal in partnership with our Indigenous community.
- 1.4 On June 25, 2019, the LDSB resolved to 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 LDSB Board of Trustees.
- 1.5 It was determined by the First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom LDSB has a signed Education Service Agreement that the nominee is to be appointed by the Fort William First Nation.
- 1.6 On July 28, 2020 Scott Wemigwans of the Fort William First Nation was appointed to the Board of Trustees (Report 059-20).

2. Situation

- 2.1 In Ontario, elections for municipal government are held every four years on the fourth Monday of October. The next election will be held on October 24, 2022.
- 2.2 The LDSB has resolved to have an Indigenous trustee, appointed by the First Nations' Chief and Council of the First Nations communities with whom we have a signed Education Service Agreement, as a member of the Board of Trustees.

2.3 This appointment should be aligned with the municipal elections to ensure consistent membership of the Board of Trustees for the duration of the term.

3. Next Steps

3.1 The LDSB will draft and send a letter to the Chief and Council of Fort William First Nation to request an appointment to the Board for the term beginning November 15, 2022.

3.2 The name of the appointee should be forwarded to the Board, in writing, by October 24, 2022.

3.3 Moving forward, a letter requesting a nominee to the LDSB Board of Trustees shall be sent to the Chief and Council of Fort William First Nation every year there is a municipal election

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that 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 LDSB Board of Trustees and forward the name of their appointee to the Board, in writing, by October 24, 2022, as outlined in Report No. 032-22.

Respectfully submitted,

AJ KEENE
Superintendent of Education

IAN MACRAE
Director of Education