



COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Name: Aboriginal Community Advisory Committee

Date: Tuesday February 20, 2018

Time: 5:30pm- 7:30pm

Core Voting Constituent's:

Present: Constance Simmonds (MNO Senator), Dr. Joanne Dallaire (Elder), Renee Dixon (Eastview Parent), Marilyn Hew (TYRMC), Shannon Judge (FNST Parent), Neil Judge (FNST Parent), Chantal McGregor (Council Fire), Dr. Bob Phillips (Elder), Randy Pitawanakwat (Native Child), Mike Auski (U of T) and Rebecca MacAlphine (OISE).

TDSB Trustee's:

Present: Pamela Gough

TDSB Staff:

Present: Christina Breen (Vice-Principal), John Chasty (Superintendent), Roxanne Chee (Teacher), Mary Doucette (Office Clerk), Natasha Gleeson (Student Success Teacher), Aly Hirji (Teacher), Bonnie Johnston (Community Liaison), Tsitra McKay (Community Liaison), Lena Recollet (Native Language), Dr. Duke Redbird (Artist in Residence), Mervi Salo (Centrally Assigned Vice Principal), Tanya Senk (Centrally Assigned Principal), Tasha Smith (FNST), Sandy Spyropoulos (Executive Superintendent), Sherry Williams (RECE).

Guests: Barbara-Ann Felschow, Rob Lackie and Alyssa McLeod.



Regrets: J'Net Ay Ay Qwa Yak Sheelth, Ryan Neepin, Mike Izzo, Jarvis Nahdee, Vivian Roy, Marios Tenentes, Jerry Chadwick, Nick Bertrand, Dr. Susan Dion and Dr. Suzanne Stewart.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION/MOTION/ACTION
Call to Order, Traditional Opening, meeting etiquette/ code of conduct	Bonnie Johnston chaired the meeting. Elder Joanne Dallaire conducted a traditional prayer to open the meeting followed by introductions of the membership in attendance. Elder Joanne Dallaire reviewed meeting etiquette/ code of conduct for members and guests.	
Approval of Agenda	The agenda of February 20 th , 2018 was amended and approved by consensus.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bob Phillips 2. Chantal McGregor
Review and Approval of the minutes of January 16 th , 2018	The minutes of January 16 th 2018 were approved by consensus.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shannon Judge 2. Randy Pitawanakwat
ACAC Priorities <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aboriginal TDSB Trustee 2. Aboriginal Student TDSB trustee 3. Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility 	Aboriginal TDSB Trustee is deferred until next meeting. Aboriginal Student TDSB Trustee is deferred until next meeting. Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility is deferred until next meeting.	Aboriginal TDSB Trustee is deferred until next meeting. Aboriginal Student TDSB Trustee is deferred until next meeting. Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility is deferred until next meeting.
<u>Staff Update:</u>	Sandy Spyropoulos: Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the January 16th meeting the report with the two ACAC motions was withdrawn and deferred. 	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honoured to say that on February 9th with Elders Pauline Shirt and Vern Harper hosted the Ministry of Education to announce that FNST and the AEC will receive 11 million dollars for future changes to the location. • Thanks to Shannon Judge, Tanya Senk, Elder Dr. Duke Redbird and John Chasty for their work on Indigenizing the space. • At the February 7th board meeting the TDSB committed to providing all staff with professional learning in Indigenous education for all the 37000 staff to ensure a fundamental understanding. • There has also been a revised social studies curriculum. <p>Mervi Salo – Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 23rd, 2018 there will be a film screening at 16 Phin- details will be sent out soon. <p>Tanya Senk- Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing updates: Albert Owl is the new Native Language Itinerant for NLC Downtown/ AEC Curriculum Resources. • Cynthia Bell is now doing Native Language at FNST/ AEC Curriculum Resources. • Thanks to Jarvis Nahdee and Albert Owl for organizing two Indigenous Language Nests at Eastview and the AEC. • Congrats to Tsitra McKay for becoming the new 	
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	<p>Child & Youth Counsellor for FNST.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Doucette will temporarily fill the Community Liaison position. • Jessica Medeiros is now at NLC East and Combined Credit Program. • Natasha Gleeson will now fill the position of Student Success Teacher. • Partnerships – York U/ OISE Dual Credit YPAR program taught by Jessica Medeiros. • York University AEC AB Q Course with TDSB teachers taught by Christina Saunders. • York University B. Ed program is in its second year with Tanya Senk as the teacher. • Professional Learning – Knowledge Building PD with Hayden King and Terry Swan. • Outdoor Education had a Full day PD with Dr. Joanne Dallaire and Mike Izzo. • AEC hosted the Artists/Speakers roster PL on Jan 29th with Tsitra McKay, John Chasty, Dr. Duke Redbird and Dr. Joanne Dallaire. • NAC10 will continue its professional learning on Friday Feb 23rd. • AEC remains committed to the roll out of the TRC with specific emphasis on Calls to Action #62 & #63. • The AEC continues to offer professional learning for CAP's, P's & VP's. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous Leadership capacity network begins Wed Feb 28th. • Indigenous Education and the Arts - Fri Mar 2nd. • New Curriculum roll out SWSH, Library and Arts. • Revisions have been made to the following mandatory curriculum policy documents: Social Studies Grades 4-6, History 7-8, Canadian and World Studies 9-10. • Revisions to Canadian History since World War 1 (CHC2D and CHC2P). • The Ministry of Education has worked in collaboration with FNMI partners and education stakeholders to move forward on a comprehensive plan to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action, focused on the following TRC Calls to Action #62 & #63. • #62, age-appropriate curriculum on residential schools, Treaties and Aboriginal Peoples historical and contemporary contributions to Canada a mandatory education requirement for kindergarten to grade twelve students. • #63, Developing and implementing kindergarten to grade 12 curriculum and learning resources on Aboriginal peoples in Canadian history, as the history and legacy of residential schools and sharing information and best practices on 	
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	<p>teaching curriculum related to residential schools and Aboriginal histories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building student capacity for intercultural understanding empathy and mutual respect. • Identifying teacher-training needs relating to the above. • Arts Coop for the AEC/Arts Department. • Events: Saturday January 27th – AEC/FNST 2nd annual round dance. • Thursday February 1st Eastview had their Winter Feast and Drum Social with an opening Ceremony teaching lodge. • Research and development: • SSHRC Grants, Sr. Susan Dion/ York U – Nishanabek Debwewin – Friday Feb 2nd – Sun Feb 4th at the AEC. • Updated DOS – Decolonizing our schools. • Dr. Suzanne Stewart/ U of T – Arts Education • Ministry of Education – Thursday Feb 22 AEC is hosting the TARO Indigenous Education Leads. • Indigenous Collaborative Inquiry is led by Christina Saunders and Adrienne Plumley. • ISEI Adobe Webinar Tuesday February 27th. • AEC Council of Elders – Dr. Duke Redbird, Pauline Shirt, Vern Harper and Joanne Dallaire. • Thanks to Amber Smith for organizing the FNST Water Project. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous Languages Revitalization is run by Marie, Lena, Martha, Albert, Cynthia, Angie and Eleni. • Indigenous Mental Health and Well Being conference will be May 4th. 	
Next meeting Date:	The next ACAC will be on Tuesday March 20 th @ 5:30pm. Located in room 123, 16 Phin Ave.	
Traditional Closing:	Elder Joanne Dallaire closed the meeting.	

