



Six Nations Advisory Committee

Thursday, April 16, 2026

1:00 p.m.

Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School (627 Colborne St, Brantford, ON N3S 3M8)
/ MS Teams Virtual Meeting

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AGENDA

A - 1	Opening (a) Ohen: ton Karihwaterhkwen (b) Land Acknowledgement Statement (c) Introduction & Roll Call (d) Student Showcase (e) Student Trustee Update	Student J. White C. VanEvery-Albert D. VanEvery R. Staats
B - 1	Business Arising from the Minutes and or Previous Minutes (a) NIL	C. VanEvery-Albert
C - 1	Consent Agenda Recommended Motion: "THAT Six Nations Advisory Committee accept the April 16, 2026 Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained herein" (a) Approve the minutes of: (i) Six Nations Advisory Committee minutes dated February 26, 2026	C. VanEvery-Albert
D-1	Staff Updates (a) Mid-Year Data Update (b) Student Progress and Achievement: Credit Accumulation Mid -Term (c) Student Attendance (d) Transition Update (e) Programming Supports and School Highlights	J. White Delby Powless Carey Vyse Carly Vyse Ashlee Williams
E-1	New Business (a) 2026-2027 SNAC Dates	J. White
F-1	Information Items (a) System Updates (b) Indigenous Education Team Update (c) Community Awareness Open House (d) ESA Update	J. White S. Hill D. VanEvery C. VanEvery-Albert
G-1	Community Updates	C. VanEvery-Albert
H-1	Next Meeting June 11, 2026	
I-1	Closing Address & Adjournment	C. VanEvery-Albert

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- Chair** C. VanEvery-Albert, Trustee
- Community Representative(s)** S. Graham, Six Nations Federal Schools Representative
K. Jamieson, Six Nations Education Advisor
- Grand Erie Staff** S. Hill, Indigenous Education System Leader
J. Roberto, Director of Education
Julie White, Superintendent
E. Thomas, Trustee
R. Staats, Student Trustee
D. Powless, Six Nations Education Counsellor
Carey Vyse, Six Nations Education Counsellor
Carly Vyse, Six Nations Education Counsellor
A. Williams, Community Liaison Worker
- Regrets** A. Powless-Bomberry, Six Nations Elected Council Representative
A. Bomberry, Everlasting Tree School
Danielle VanEvery, Six Nations Teacher Consultant
- Guest** H. Hill, McKinnon Park S.S.
E. Thomas, McKinnon Park S.S.
- Recording Secretary** Stacie Fehrman
- A - 1 **Opening**
- (a) **Ohen: ton Karihwatehkwen**
E. Thomas; MPSS student, provided opening greetings.
- (b) **Land Acknowledgment Statement**
Superintendent White read the Land Acknowledgment statement.
- (c) **Roll Call**
Recording Secretary S. Fehrman confirmed roll call
- (d) **Student Showcase**
H. Hill shared her personal experiences as a student at McKinnon Park Secondary School, speaking to what she found meaningful and positive. She was the recipient of awards at the Six Nations of the Grand River Awards banquet held on February 21, 2026.
- B - 1 **Business Arising from the Minutes and/or Previous Minutes**
- (a) NIL
- C - 1 **Consent Agenda**
"THAT Six Nations Advisory Committee accept the February 26, 2025 Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained therein."
Moved: C. Vyse
Seconded by: C. VanEvery-Albert
- (a) Approve the minutes of:
- (i) Six Nations Advisory Committee minutes dated October 16, 2025



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ESA Staff Update

- (a) **Student Progress and Achievement: Credit Accumulation Term 1**
ESA staff provided school-specific reports on the number of ESA students by school, students on track to graduate, and credit accumulation by grade.
- (b) **Student Attendance**
A. Williams provided an attendance update, noting referrals, withdrawals, and early-intervention across schools. Attendance trends were consistent with previous years, with discussion emphasizing transition supports and engagement initiatives to improve attendance.
- (c) **Transition Update**
S. Hill reported that the Six Nations Registration Support Night was cancelled due to weather, with follow-up occurring through direct school contact. Grade 8 transition visits were conducted at elementary schools, and technology and innovation hub opportunities were shared with students. EAS staff shared information about postsecondary planning activities included college and university visits, financial aid and application support, and promotion of trades and apprenticeship pathways. Recognition of Six Nations student academic awards took place at community events.
- (d) **Social Highlights**
ESA Staff reported that postsecondary information sessions and campus visits are ongoing. Mental health and wellness initiatives are being delivered in partnership with community agencies. Cultural recognition activities included Rock Your Mocs Day and Treaties Recognition Week, with continued collaboration with cultural institutions and community partners.
- (e) **Indigenous Student Trustee Update**
Student Trustee R. Staats provided an update on participation in provincial student leadership and Indigenous student gatherings. Highlights included the effectiveness of Indigenous Graduation Coaches, Truth and Reconciliation activities promoting inclusion of Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, and the creation of cultural activities such as tobacco ties and beading. R. Staats also shared plans to return for a second year as Indigenous Student Trustee.
- E-1
- (a) **New Business**
Annual General Meeting Update
S. Hill reported that the Annual General Meeting was successful and noted a desire to increase attendance in the coming year.
- (b) **ESA update**
Trustee C. VanEvery-Albert shared the ESA renewal with Indigenous Services Canada remains outstanding, with similar delays reported in other First Nations communities. Assurance was provided that programming continues and advocacy efforts are ongoing at provincial and national levels.
- (c) Superintendent White reported that EQAO results showed notable year-over-year improvement for Grade Erie as a whole, as well as for Six Nations students when examined separately. OSSLT



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results indicated a decline for the current cohort and were identified as an area for further analysis and support.

- F-1 **Information Items**
- (a) **System Updates**
Superintendent White shared that the Board is entering Year 5 of its Multi-Year Strategic Plan, with continued focus on math and literacy, graduation outcomes, student well-being and a commitment to Truth and Reconciliation. Updates were provided on Technology and Innovation Hubs, professional learning related to Indigenous education and attendance strategies.
- (b) **Grand Erie's Draft School Year Calendar 2026-27**
Superintendent White shared the proposed School Year Calendar for 2026-27 school year.
- (c) **January Highlights**
Superintendent White shared the Directors Highlights.
- G – 1 **Community Updates**
K. Jamieson shared an update on community engagement feedback. Plans to gather additional input, including student perspectives, are being explored.
- H – 1 **Future Agenda Items**
NIL
- I – 1 **Next Meeting**
Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at Pauline Johnson C&VS with a virtual option.
- J – 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**
Chair VanEvery-Albert adjourned the meeting at 2:58 p.m.