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School councils to be invited

Representatives of three community school councils will get a chance to participate in discussions about improving the education given the city's Indian and native children.

The Regina Board of Education decided Monday that community school council presidents, or their designates, from Herchmer, Connaught and Kitchener Schools should be invited to a meeting of the board's Indian and native education advisory committee. The meeting is scheduled for the first week in October.

The decision to add to the list of those invited to the meeting was to correct what Trustee Mary Hicks said was an "inadvertent oversight."

When setting a date for the meeting, board members adopted a motion that didn't mention parents as one of the groups of people to be invited.

Now, their representatives will join board members, school staff and representatives of several native organizations in the talks about board proposals for improving native education.

The proposals won't be made public until after they are discussed by the advisory committee.

The decision to invite the council representatives to the meeting still hasn't settled the contentious issue of committee membership.

That issue could become one of the topics of discussion at the advisory committee's meeting.

"Come the meeting in October, perhaps we should resolve among ourselves what comprises this committee and who has voting rights," Trustee Eric Crosbie said Monday.