



SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY AND NATIONAL CHIEF ELECTION

December 5-7, 2023

Shaw Centre, 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa ON • Hybrid Event



DRAFT AGENDA

Tuesday December 5, 2023	
Time	Activity
7:00 AM EST	Sunrise Pipe Ceremony
7:30 AM EST	Regional Caucus Sessions Registration
9:00 AM EST	Circle of Trade
10:45 AM EST	Opening Protocols <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Entry – Host Drum – Eagle River • Opening Prayer – Algonquin Elder Rose Wawatie-Beaudoin, Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg • Welcome by Host Officials – Chief Dylan Whiteduck, Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg • Territorial Welcome – Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare • Interim National Chief Joanna Bernard • Honouring
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of Rules of Procedures for Assemblies • Adoption of Agenda
12:30 PM EST	Lunch Break
1:30 PM EST	Resolutions Updates
1:45 PM EST	Resolutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DR-01 Approval and Implementation of a National First Nations Homelessness Action Plan • DR-02 Temporarily Suspend Proposed Distinctions-Based Indigenous Health Legislation Process • DR-03 Support for Urgent First Nations Languages Funding • DR-04 Call for Canada to Consult on All Amendments Pursuant to the UNDRIP Act • DR-05 Establishing a Chief's Committee on the UN Declaration Act
3:30 PM EST	Plenary: Update on First Nations Child and Family Services and Jordan's Principle Compensation
4:30 PM EST	Break
5:30 PM EST	All Candidates Forum - Introduction of Chief Electoral Officer



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8:45 AM EST	Moment of silence to acknowledge National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
9:00 AM EST	AFN Election for National Chief <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks by Chief Electoral Officer• Voting opens
2:00 PM EST	Registration for Election Closes
3:00 PM EST	End of First Ballot Voting
3:30 PM EST	Results of First Ballot Voting
	Wellness Break
5:00 PM EST	<i>*Subsequent ballots may be required. The Chief Electoral Officer will indicate times as needed</i> Following the Election: Oath of Office Ceremony for the Newly Elected National Chief



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Thursday December 7, 2023	
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7:00 AM EST	Sunrise Pipe Ceremony
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9:00 AM EST	Circle of Trade
10:45 AM EST	(*note: additional ballots may take place at the beginning of Day 3) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening Remarks by National Chief• AFN Councils Reports
11:30 AM EST	Resolutions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social – Children and Families: DR-06, DR-07, DR-08, DR-10• Rights and Justice: DR-13, DR-14, DR-15, DR-16, DR-17, DR-18• Governance: DR-20, DR-21, DR-22, DR-23, DR-24• Health: DR-25, DR-26, DR-27, Dr-28, DR-29• Economic Development and Infrastructure: DR 30, DR-31, DR-32, DR-33• Support Resolutions: DR-34, DR-35, DR-36, DR-37, DR-38, Dr-39, DR-40, DR-41, DR-42
4:30 PM EST	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closing Remarks by National Chief• Closing Prayer- Algonquin Elder Rose Wawatie-Beaudoin, Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg• Closing Ceremony - Host Drum – Eagle River

*Assembly of First Nations Open House: Please join us on
Friday, December 8, 2023 1pm–3pm EST
to visit the new AFN office at 50 O'Connor St., second floor.*