



# Assembly of First Nations ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

July 11-13, 2023 • Halifax Convention Centre  
Halifax, Nova Scotia (Hybrid)

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## DRAFT AGENDA

### TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023

- Sunrise Pipe Ceremony
- Registration – Ballroom Level
- Circle of Trade – Convention Hall

#### Regional Caucus Rooms:

BC	– Room A2	NB	– Room 102
AB	– Room 202	PEI	– Room 106
SK	– Room A3	NL	– Room 105
MB	– Room 201	NS	– Room 101
ON	– Room A1	YT	– Room 107
QC&LB	– Room 109	NWT	– Room 108

TIME (ADT)	ACTIVITY
8:30 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Entry</li> <li>• Opening Prayer - Grand Chief Norman Sylliboy, Mi'kmaq Grand Council</li> <li>• Host Officials and Territorial Welcome – Interim Regional Chiefs Andrea Paul and Leroy Denny</li> <li>• Opening Address – Interim National Chief Joanna Bernard</li> <li>• AFN Knowledge Keepers Council Report – Dr. Gwendolyn Point and Charles Hume</li> <li>• AFN Women's Council Report – Deputy Grand Chief Anna Betty Achneepineskum</li> <li>• First Nations Veterans Council Report – Percy Joe</li> <li>• AFN National Youth Council Report – Rosalie LaBillois and Winter Dawn Lipscombe</li> <li>• 2SLGBTQIA+ Council Report – Chief Alan Polchies</li> </ul>
10:30 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of Rules of Procedures for Assemblies</li> <li>• Adoption of Agenda</li> </ul>
11:00 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audited Financial Statements               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ AFN/NIB</li> <li>◦ NIB Trust</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:30 PM	Plenary: Indian Residential Institutions Update
12:00 PM	Lunch Break
1:00 PM	Honouring of Saskatchewan Cree Journalist Connie Walker, Pulitzer Prize and Peabody Award Winner
1:30 PM	Update on Resolution #13/2020, <i>Becoming a Role Model in Ending Sexual Orientation and Gender-Based Discrimination Within the Assembly of First Nations</i> – Dr Gwendolyn Point, Amanda Barnaby Lehoux and Debbie Hoffman
2:00 PM	Emergency Resolution ER-01, <i>Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer and Timing of the Election of the National Chief</i>
2:30 PM	Plenary: Chiefs Committee on Charter Renewal Update
3:00 PM	Plenary: Response to Métis Self-Government Recognition and Implementation Legislation Resolution: DR 33
4:00 PM	Resolutions Indian Residential Institutions: DR 35 Water: DR 30, DR 37, DR 39
5:00 PM	End of Day
7:00 PM	Host Event: East Coast Party at Pacifico Dance Club

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## DRAFT AGENDA

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023

- Sunrise Pipe Ceremony
- Registration – Ballroom Level
- Circle of Trade – Convention Hal

#### Regional Caucus Rooms:

BC – Room A2	NB – Room 102
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TIME (ADT)	ACTIVITY
9:00 AM	Plenary: National Climate Strategy
10:00 AM	Plenary: Specific Claims
11:00 AM	Plenary: First Nations Policing as an Essential Service Legislation / National Indigenous Justice Strategy
12:00 PM	Lunch Break
1:00 PM	Resolutions Environment: DR 31 Lands: DR 29, DR 28, DR 11 Policing: DR 10, DR 34 Rights: DR 18, DR 33, DR 43, DR 44
3:00 PM	Wellness Break
3:15 PM	Resolutions Languages and Learning: DR 01, DR 38, DR 40, DR 26 Social Development: DR 02, DR 05, DR 12, DR 15, DR 20 Health: DR 06, DR 32, DR 36
5:00 PM	End of Day
6:30 PM	Host Event: Lobster Supper and Dance at Pavillion 23 at the Halifax Seaport



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### THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2023

- Sunrise Pipe Ceremony
- Registration – Ballroom Level
- Circle of Trade – Convention Hall

TIME (ADT)	ACTIVITY
9:00 AM	Plenary: United Nations Declaration Act National Action Plan Update
10:00 AM	Plenary: Safe Drinking Water for First Nations Legislation Update
11:00 AM	Resolution Infrastructure: DR 17
11:30 AM	The Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice
12:00 PM	Lunch Break
1:00 PM	Resolutions Housing and Homelessness: DR 24 Economic Development: DR 13, DR 25, DR 27 Support: DR 19, DR 45, DR 07, DR 08, DR 09, DR 16, DR 21, DR 22, DR 23, DR 41  Late Resolutions (time permitting)
3:30 PM	The Honourable Marc Miller, Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations
4:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Closing Remarks – Interim National Chief Joanna Bernard</li><li>• Closing Prayer - Grand Chief Norman Sylliboy</li><li>• Closing Ceremony</li></ul>
<b>End of Meeting SAFE RETURN HOME!</b>	

### INFORMATION

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