



## Summary

### AFN Executive Committee Retreat

*Members of the AFN Executive Committee met for three days in the traditional territory of the Squamish Nations at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre in Whistler, BC from March 1-3, 2022. There was fulsome discussion on both regional and national priorities.*

*The AFN Executive was able to successfully complete their Agenda which is outlined below.*

#### DAY 1 – Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Welcome/Opening Comments  
Review and Approve Agenda  
Records of Decision for Review  
Regional Updates  
National Chief Goals and Priorities  
Proposed Healing Path Forward Accord  
AFN/Canada Memorandum of Understanding  
Internal Governance Review

#### DAY 2 – Wednesday, March 2, 2022

AFN Legal Updates  
AFN Secretariat Updates  
National Indigenous Digital Consortium  
AFN 2022-23 Budget  
AFN Foundation  
Additions to Reserve Policy Reform  
Co-development of a Special Claims Reform Process  
Assertion of Métis Rights in First Nation Treaty Territories  
Minister of Justice David Lametti  
Vatican Update

#### DAY 3 – Thursday, March 3, 2022

Alberta Region Representation  
AIP Compensation Structure



**BC Regional Chief Terry Teegee, Dr. Gwen Point, Elder Eldon Bernard, Yukon Regional Chief Kluane Adamek, National Chief RoseAnne Archibald, Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN) Vice-Chief Aly Bear, New Brunswick Regional Chief Joanna Bernard, PEI Chief Darlene Bernard, and NWT Regional Chief Gerald Antoine**



## Motions Passed:

**Taxation of National Indian Brotherhood:** The search for an urban reserve option in Ottawa in cooperation with the Algonquin Anishinabeg nation.

**Interlocutor:** Supporting the appointment of an Independent Special Interlocutor to conduct its study on the unmarked grave sites, without displacing the need for a UN Special Rapporteur to fully investigate the crimes against humanity that occurred.

**Assertion of Métis Rights in First Nation Treaty Territories:** Voicing — through interventions or public statements — support for those First Nations that have, or will be, initiating political campaigns and legal challenges against Métis organizations that are actively infringing upon First Nations rights.

**Establishment of an AFN Foundation:** Until such time that new members are appointed, the AFN Executive Committee shall serve as the first Board of Directors of a foundation that receives and maintains funds for the benefit, enhancement, or improvement of services provided by the National Indian Brotherhood; while not directly competing or adversely impacting other First Nation foundations.

**Regional Chief Representation for Alberta:** With the Alberta Regional Chief position currently vacant, interim representatives, selected by Treaty 6 and 7, will be welcomed to attend AFN Executive Committee meetings.

## Items to Be Brought Back for Discussion at April 2022 AFN Executive Meeting:

1. Regional feedback/input into National Chief Office's Vision, Mission, Values and Goals
2. Regional feedback/input into the Healing Path Forward Accord
3. National Indigenous Digital Consortium



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## A Hybrid In-Person/Online AFN Executive Committee Meeting

We were pleased to have full participation from all eleven regions, with all Regional Chiefs or their designate either attending in person or virtually. Pictured joining via Zoom are Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare, Québec/Labrador Regional Chief Ghislain Picard, Nova Scotia/Newfoundland Regional Chief Paul Prosper, and Manitoba Regional Chief Cindy Woodhouse.

