



**JULY 6, 2012 DRAFT**

**ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS  
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2012  
METRO TORONTO CONVENTION CENTRE (SOUTH BLDG)  
TORONTO, ONTARIO  
JULY 17 - 19, 2012**

## DRAFT AGENDA

# Honouring our Traditions: Achieving Action for our Future

### Annual General Assembly 2012 Objectives

Consistent with the AFN Charter, this Assembly will provide First Nations Chiefs or their designated representatives a forum to:

- *Elect the National Chief for a three-year term.*
- *Maximize opportunities for exchange and the **development of consensus on fundamental issues** and common interests in relation to First Nation-Crown relations, international relations and partnerships.*
- *Enable **focused dialogue** and political strategy discussion dealing with safety and security, community infrastructure and housing, and child welfare.*
- *Provide **mandate and direction** through designated regional caucus sessions and dedicated resolutions review and decision making.*

PRE-ASSEMBLY EVENTS	
Sunday, July 15, 2012	Monday, July 16, 2012
<p><b>IndigenACTION 5k Friendship Walk/Run</b> Coronation Park / Martin Goodman Trail (Lake Shore Blvd. W &amp; Strachan Ave)</p> <p><b>Registration: 8 am</b> <b>Run starts: 9 am</b></p> <p><b>Host activities:</b> please see: <a href="http://chiefs-of-ontario.org/afnhostcommittee/">http://chiefs-of-ontario.org/afnhostcommittee/</a></p>	<p><b>AFN Fundraising Golf Tournament</b> Station Creek Golf Club Opens at 7 am</p> <p><b>AFN Circle of Trade Show Exhibitor Set-Up</b> <b>12 pm – 7 pm</b> Exhibit Hall E</p> <p><b>AGA Pre-Registration</b> <b>2 pm – 7 pm</b> Metro Toronto Convention Centre South Building, Level 600</p>

**ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2012 – DAY ONE****Tuesday July 17, 2012**6:00 a.m. SUNRISE & PIPE CEREMONY - **AFN Tipi** – Metro Toronto Convention Centre7:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION** - Metro Toronto Convention Centre - South Building, Level 600**8:30 a.m. GRAND ENTRY Hall F & G****8:45** **OPENING CEREMONIES** ELDER – Garry Sault, Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, ON  
Veterans welcome – Chief Percy Joe**9:00** **WELCOMING REMARKS** Chief Bryan Laforme, Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation  
Ontario Regional Chief Stan Beardy, Chiefs of Ontario  
Invited Guests**9:45** **PROCEDURE** Adoption of Rules and Agenda**10:00** **OPENING ADDRESS** National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo**10:20** **COUNCIL REPORTS** National Youth Council  
National Women’s Council  
National Elder’s Council**11:00** **REPORT** Management Committee: Audited Financial Statements**11:30** **HONOURING & AWARDS** Treaty Rights Recognition Honouring  
Youth Advocacy Award  
Recognition of International Guests**12:00 – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH BREAK DAY ONE ADJOURNS****ALL CANDIDATES FORUM**

According to the AFN Charter, candidates for National Chief are obliged to participate in an open forum the day before the election.

The Chief Electoral Officer is responsible for the format and presiding over this open forum.

9am – 5 pm

**AFN Circle of Trade Show**

Exhibit Hall E

**ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2012 – DAY TWO**

**Wednesday July 18, 2012**

6:00 a.m.     **SUNRISE & PIPE CEREMONY - AFN Tipi** – Metro Toronto Convention Centre

**7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.     REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS – METRO TORONTO CONVENTION CENTRE (MTCC)**

Alberta – Room 705	Atlantic- Room 706	BC – Room 701B
Manitoba – Room 707	Ontario – Room 701A	Quebec – Room 715A
Saskatchewan – Room 810	Yukon and NWT – Room 809	

**9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.     AFN Circle of Trade Show – Exhibit Hall E**

**AFN ELECTION FOR NATIONAL CHIEF**

**9:00 a.m. – FIRST BALLOT VOTING OPENS**

**12:00 p.m. – RESULTS OF FIRST BALLOT** (Timing of second and subsequent ballots will confirmed as needed)

**NOTE: Chiefs & Proxies wishing to participate in the Election must register by 11:00 a.m. on Election Day**

**9:45 – 11:45 a.m.     DIALOGUE AND STRATEGY SESSIONS**

These sessions are designed to maximize dialogue and deliberation and seek input into the development of strategies mandated by Chiefs-in-Assembly. Discussion will be organized to enable a focused exchange on areas for action and to chart a strategy forward. AFN team leaders will facilitate these sessions.

**JUSTICE, SAFETY & SECURITY  
Hall F & G**

This session will review and seek input into a draft National Justice Strategy and a draft Action Plan to Ensure Safety and Security for Indigenous Women & Girls.

**INFRASTRUCTURE  
Room 716 A & B**

Following on the National Water Conference in March 2012 and the recent World Indigenous Housing Conference, this session will review and seek contributions to draft national strategies on Water and Housing.

**ACTION ON THE 60s SCOOP  
Room 718 A & B**

This session will discuss context and begin development of a national strategy to support individuals and communities affected by the 60s scoop

**10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.     AFN I-Nations Trade Procurement Exchange Centre – Exhibit Hall E**

**12:00 – 1:30 p.m.     LUNCH BREAK**

**1:30 – 2:30  
p.m.**

**Bill C-38: Technical / Legal Strategy Discussion and Next Steps  
Room 718 A & B**

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**2:30 p.m.**

**MAIN PLENARY - Hall F & G**

**INFORMATION SESSIONS & ORGANIZATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

- First Nations Information Governance Centre
- Aboriginal Financial Officers Association
- First Nations Statistical Institute
- First Nations Child and Family Caring Society

**UPDATES AND REPORTING ON INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS**

- Common Experience Payment / Independent Assessment Process Update
- Indian Residential Schools Education Credits
- Truth and Reconciliation Commission
- Aboriginal Healing Foundation
- Day Schools / Day Scholars legal actions

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: DISCUSSION & DECISION MAKING**

**Please note – resolutions will be dealt with according to subject area**

**SUPPORTING FIRST NATION FAMILIES & COMMUNITIES**

- Education
- Health & Social Development
- Housing, Infrastructure & Water

**EXERCISING & IMPLEMENTING OUR RIGHTS**

- National Treaty Strategy
- Land Rights & Claims

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

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**ADVANCING ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL INTERESTS**

- Economic Development Task Force
- First Nations & Taxation
- First Nation Rights & Interests - Natural Resources
- Virtual Resource Centre on Energy & Mining
- Fisheries

**SUPPORTING FIRST NATION GOVERNMENTS & NATION RE-BUILDING**

- Fiscal Relations
- Removing Barriers to Governance

5:00 p.m.

**CLOSING REMARKS**