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# BC ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

September 19-21, 2023

In-Person and Online via Zoom

## FIRST NOTICE

<b>To:</b>	All BC Chiefs and Delegates	<b>Date:</b>	July 28, 2023
<b>From:</b>	BCAFN Office	<b>Pages:</b>	3
<b>RE:</b>	<b>NOTICE OF BCAFN 20<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING &amp; ELECTIONS</b>		

The BC Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN) will be hosting the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting in-person and online via Zoom on September 19-21, 2023.

<b>Date/Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday, Sept.19</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 5:30 PM</b>
	<b>Wednesday, Sept.20</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 4:30 PM</b>
	<b>Thursday, Sept.21</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 3:00 PM</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Musqueam Community Centre</b>	<b>6735 Salish Dr., Vancouver, BC</b>

**ONLINE via Zoom.**

[Registration Link](#)

At this Annual General Meeting, the BCAFN will be holding **ELECTIONS** for:

1. Regional Chief of British Columbia – 3-year term
2. BCAFN Board Director Member – 3-year term
3. BCAFN Board Director Member – 3-year term
4. BCAFN Board Director Member – 3-year term
5. BCAFN Female Youth Representative – 3-year term
6. BCAFN Male Youth Representative – 3-year term



[bcafn.ca](http://bcafn.ca)



[events.bcafn.ca](http://events.bcafn.ca)

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Ancestral, traditional and unceded territories of the Lheidli T'enneh

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Ancestral, traditional and unceded territories of the X<sup>m</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh)

An All-Candidates Forum will be held on Tuesday September 19, 2023 at 3:30pm.

Nomination Forms and additional election information will be forthcoming by BCAFN Electoral Officer Ron Laufer and available on our website [www.bcafn.ca](http://www.bcafn.ca)

Please note there will be appointments made to the following BCAFN committees via resolution:

- 6 appointments of member delegates (Chiefs) to the BCAFN Governance Committee to serve 3-year terms
- 3 appointments to the BCAFN Elections Appeal Committee to serve 3-year terms

## **NOTICE ATTACHMENTS**

### **Registration:**

To register, please follow this link <https://events.bcafn.ca/agm-2023/registration/>

Once you have registered, the Zoom meeting link will be emailed to you. For verification and authentication purposes, you will need to provide a scan, photo or photocopy of your Status Card or equivalent. Your Status number or equivalent will be utilized by the Electoral Officer as part of the process to access the voting platform.

### **Proxy Letter:**

We have attached our proxy template should you not be able to attend this meeting. Given the technicalities involved with appointing a proxy to vote in a hybrid meeting, all proxy forms are encouraged to be submitted by **Friday, September 15, 2023** to Joanna Prince via email at [joanna.prince@bcfn.ca](mailto:joanna.prince@bcfn.ca).

For proxy voting in the election, the hard deadline to submit a complete proxy form to the Electoral Officer is the opening of the election polls on September 21, 2023. Proxy forms received by the Electoral Officer after that deadline will be unable to vote in the election.

Per BCAFN Bylaw 4.25:

*A proxy appointment is valid and a vote cast under authority of such appointment will be a valid vote if the vote is validly cast and if the appointment is:*

- a) *made in writing and signed by an authorized representative of the member;*
- b) *received by*
  - i. *the Electoral Officer, in respect of a vote cast in an election, ... [or]*
  - iii. *a BCAFN employee responsible for meeting registration, for any poll conducted by show of hands,*
- c) *received on or before the following cut-off times, depending on the type of poll and meeting format:*
  - i. *fifteen (15) minutes before the taking of any poll conducted by show of hands, ... [or]*
  - iii. *the opening of any secret ballot poll that is conducted at a hybrid meeting.*



**Travel and Accommodation Notice:**

Travel and accommodation expenses will be provided for member delegates (BC Chiefs) or duly appointed proxies for this meeting. Please contact Joanna Prince at 778-945-9911 for additional information or if you have any questions.

We have two room blocks available if you would like to book your room for this event:

**River Rock Hotel-Room Block-September 18-21, 2023**

Deadline: August 17, 2023

Phone: 604-247-8900

[Make a reservation](#)

**Westin Wall Centre-3099-Corvette Way-5 rooms-Small Block available**

Deadline : August 17, 2023

Email the Westin Wall Centre at [reservations@wallcentre.com](mailto:reservations@wallcentre.com) or call the hotel directly at [604-303-6565](tel:604-303-6565) to reserve a room at the contracted group rate.

**Notice of Resolutions:**

Resolution submissions are requested in advance. Advance Resolution deadline is **Friday, September 15, 2023**. Please fill out the Resolution Form and submit to Maureen Buchan via email: [maureen.buchan@bcafn.ca](mailto:maureen.buchan@bcafn.ca)

For more information on the **BCAFN 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**, please visit our website at [www.bcafn.ca](http://www.bcafn.ca) or contact Joanna Prince at [joanna.prince@bcafn.ca](mailto:joanna.prince@bcafn.ca)

For more information of the Regional Chief, Board of Directors or Youth Representative Elections, please contact BCAFN Electoral Officer Ron Laufer at [ronlauferelections@gmail.com](mailto:ronlauferelections@gmail.com) or by phone at (604) 715-4777.