

# CHIEFS ASSEMBLY

ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

January 29-30, 2020

Keeshkeemaquah Conference Centre  
5010 Crescent Road West  
Portage la Prairie, Manitoba



Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs  
EMPOWERING OUR NATIONS

# AGENDA

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## **DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020**

- 8:00 a.m.      **Pipe Ceremony – Elder Ernie Daniels, Long Plain First Nation**  
**Registration of Chiefs/Proxy Delegates**
- 9:00 a.m.      **Grand Entry- Long Plain Singers Drum Group**  
**Opening Address – Elder Harry Bone, AMC Elders Council**  
**Opening Remarks: Co-Chairs Ken Bighetty & Jenna Brown**  
Review of Agenda & Motion to Adopt  
Assembly Rules & Procedures – Motion to Adopt  
**Welcoming Remarks:**  
Host Chief Dennis Meeches, Long Plain First Nation  
Grand Chief Arlen Dumas, Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs  
Treaty Commissioner Loretta Ross, TRCM  
**Social Development in First Nations in Manitoba – Presenter Chief Nelson Genaille, FNHSSM Board Member**  
**Social Development and Social Assistance – Presenter Chief Marcel Moody, Nisichawayasihk CN**
- 12:00 Noon    **LUNCH BREAK (provided)**  
**Child Tax Benefits / Taxes – Presenter Chief Larson Anderson, Norway House CN**
  - Northern Stores;**Barriers in Social Development that Affect First Nations – Presenters Chief Cornell McLean, Lake Manitoba FN & Chief Shirley Ducharme, O-Pipon-Na-Piwin CN**  
**OPEN DISCUSSION**
  - Education;
  - Intervention;
  - Personal Care Homes;
  - Language & Culture
  - Jordan’s Principle;
  - Early Learning Child Care;
  - Off Reserve;
  - Employment & Training**Consideration for a First Nation Regional Approach to Social Development – Presenter Chief David Monias, Pimicikamak Okimawin**  
**OPEN DISCUSSION**  
**ASSEMBLY ADJOURNED FOR THE DAY**

## **DAY 2 – THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020**

8:00 a.m.      **Registration of Chiefs/Proxy Delegates**

9:00 a.m.      **Opening Remarks: Co-Chairs Ken Bighetty & Jenna Brown**

- Recap of Previous Day's Agenda;
- Review of Day's Agenda

**SDATG Report to the Manitoba First Nation Leadership**—*Presenter Chief Eric Pashe, Dakota Tipi FN*

**Funding & Fiscal Relations** – *Presenter Francine Meeches, Swan Lake FN*

- Grant Funding – 10 Year Funding Arrangement;
- Service Delivery Funding Program;
- Other Social Development Programming;

(15 Minutes)      **Experiences Canada – “Youth Forum on Reconciliation” Presentation** -  
*Presenter Deborah Morrison, President & CEO*

12:00 Noon      **LUNCH BREAK (provided)**

**Policy** – *Presenter Chief Derrick Henderson, Sagkeeng FN*

- Issues (Hydro, Funerals, Shelter Allowance);
- Joint Canada / First Nation Policy Review;
- SDATG – Proposed change to Protocol;

**Clear Sky Connections Update** – *Presenter Chief David Crate, I/Chairperson Clear Sky Connections*

**AMC/AFN Appointments – Chief / Technical Representative** – *Presenter Marcel Balfour, AMC Senior Policy Analyst*

- AMC Chief Appointed to the Social Development File;
- AMC Technical Representative to the SDATG Committee;
- SDATG Representative to the AFN Social Development WG.

**Closing Remarks / Closing Ceremonies**

- Host Chief Dennis Meeches, Long Plain First Nation
- Grand Chief Arlen Dumas, Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs
- Closing Prayer – Elder Ernie Daniels, Long Plain First Nation
- Retiring of Eagle Staff / Long Plain Singers Drum Group

**ASSEMBLY ADJOURNED**