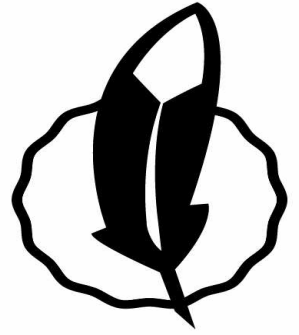


# Algonquin Negotiation Representatives Election



Dear Sir or Madam:

On August 26, 2004 I announced the establishment of an Electoral process that would provide the opportunity to Algonquin Electors to elect Algonquin Negotiation Representatives (ANR's) for each Community of Algonquins in Ontario. It was anticipated that those elected as ANR's would, along with the Chief and Council of Pikwàkanagàn First Nation ("Pikwàkanagàn"), participate in Treaty Negotiations with Canada and Ontario.

This process was agreed to by means of an Agreement arrived at between the Chief and Council of Pikwàkanagàn and the representatives of the Algonquin Nation Negotiation Directorate (the "Addendum"). That Addendum (which included a set of Election Rules) was arrived at following a number of public meetings and consultation with Algonquin people and with the Governments of Canada and Ontario. A copy of that document has been placed on our website which can be accessed at:  
(<http://www.blaney.com/algonquin.htm>).

After further public meetings were convened to discuss the process and conscientious efforts were made by the Enrolment Officer, Joan Holmes, and her staff to enrol Electors in that process, the ANR Election was called.

On May 7, the Electoral Officer, Bob Johnson, completed his count of the mail-in ballots and ballots cast in the Election held in the five Communities where the Election was contested. Over 42% of the Electors who were eligible to vote in those Communities did so.

The following are the results of the Election:

### COMPLETE VOTING RESULTS BY COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY	CANDIDATES	Number of Votes	Elected (✓)
ANTOINE	Dave Joannis	n/a	Acclaimed
ARDOCH	Randy Malcolm	n/a	Acclaimed
BANCROFT	Katherine Cannon Leah N. Scott	65 8	✓
BONNECHERE	Richard Zohr David J. Laronde	287 85	✓
GREATER GOLDEN LAKE	Patrick Glassford Lynn Gehl Ray Pappin	337 69 6	✓
MATTAWA/ NORTH BAY	Clifford Bastien Jr. Leslie Decaire Richard Labreche	212 130 66	✓
OTTAWA	Paul Lamothe	n/a	Acclaimed
SHARBOT LAKE	Doreen Davis Melinda Turcotte	280 60	✓
WHITNEY	Bob Craftchick	n/a	Acclaimed

Subsequent to the completion of the Election we have held two meetings of the ANR's for the purpose of developing Terms of Reference to govern their activities and taking preliminary steps towards preparing for the resumption of the Treaty negotiations with the Governments of Canada and Ontario.

Over the next several months the ANR's will be charged with the responsibility of informing themselves on the many issues surrounding those Treaty Negotiations, consulting with the Algonquin people within their Communities for advice and direction and, along with me, participating in the Main Table Negotiations. Every effort will be made during this process to continue to communicate with you regarding the progress of those negotiations and to get feedback from you regarding various elements of the claim.

I look enthusiastically towards working with the ANR's and you in this historic endeavour which will hopefully lead to the resolution of the many long outstanding grievances that have been endured by the Algonquin people.

If at any time you have a question or comment regarding the process please contact our toll-free information line (1-877-287-4570) or access our website.

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