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New Chief for New Brunswick Aboriginal Peoples Council

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The New Brunswick Aboriginal People's Council (NBAPC) announces as a result of the Universal Suffrage Process that took place at the 42nd Annual General Meeting that Wendy Wetteland was elected as the new President/Chief of NBAPC and Amanda LeBlanc as the new Vice-Chief.

Wendy Wetteland has years of experience working for NBAPC and determined to move the organization forward. She is quoted as saying, "It is an honor to have been elected and I am committed to advancing the rights of our constituents, the aboriginal people residing off reserve in the Province of New Brunswick."

Amanda LeBlanc is looking forward to the challenge and learning opportunity being the Vice Chief will bring in the coming months and years. "I am looking forward to working with our constituencies to move our organization forward. I am very excited about the increased Youth involvement and optimistic great things will come of them," stated Vice Chief Amanda LeBlanc.

The Assembly passed major resolutions in support of the NBAPC's constituent's full and accountable involvement in the treaty and Aboriginal rights, as well as investments in youth education, culture and a strategic plan for the engagement of the membership and all other levels of government. Our highly respected guest at this year's AGM, Keptin Russell Julian of the Mi'kmaq Grand Council, is quoted, "Good assembly, enjoyable and a good democratic way of cleansing the air, you win some and you lose some. But most of all the assembly wins."

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