



**SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE
BOARD MEETING**

August 21, 2012 at 9:30 am
Call-in information: 888.550.5602
Passcode: 2722 0305

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order ----- Marquardt**
Meeting was called to order at 9:55 AM by President Marquardt.
- II. Roll Call ----- Varner**
Members present: Layton Lockett, Kathleen Totemoff, Trevor Brown, Glen Gardner, Alice Ruby, Shirley Marquardt; quorum established. *Staff present:* Andy Varner, Cameron Dean. *Erik's Gone Fishin.'*
- III. Approval of Agenda ----- Marquardt**
Motion to approve agenda made 1st by Ruby, 2nd by Gardner. Agenda approved.
- IV. Consent Agenda ----- Marquardt**
A. Board minutes for July 19, 2012
Motion to approve agenda was made 1st by Gardner, 2nd by Lockett. Agenda approved.
- V. Policy and Program Issues ----- Varner**
A. 2013 Conference Topics
Board members discussed topics that they'd like to see included in the 2013 conference program. Ruby would like to see some information from the University's Fisheries, Seafood, and Maritime Industry workforce effort and an update on issues from the December Board of Fish meetings. Lockett would like to see some technical support regarding the formation of CQE programs. Board would also like a "Processor's Forum" or wider seafood cluster discussion similar to the 2012 panel. Gardner mentioned it would be worth contacting Paul Padgett from Trident for his participation. An update of the CDQ process of late 2012 might also be included.
From the transportation perspective, Lockett, Marquardt and others felt we should have an air service panel with DOT, FAA, PenAir, Grant, Alaska Air, possibly others to discuss the challenges of having effective and efficient service in rural Alaska. Brown and others would like to see a discussion of AMHS and ferry replacement, especially considering the age and health of the Tustumena, which is currently third in the queue for replacement.
We will of course also feature a lot of energy issues, especially since we'll be doing the regional energy plans. We will most likely have a one-day energy forum as in year's past to accomplish this.
- VI. Governance Issues ----- Varner**
A. October Board Retreat Date/Content
The Board decided to have the retreat in Anchorage on Oct 25, and then head down to Kenai on the 26th to tour the LNG plant in Nikiski. Topics will include the FY12 financial review,

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regional energy planning updates, STEM Education, the SWAMC broadband plan, and other priorities and goal setting.

VII. Financial Report ----- Varner

A. July 2012 Financial Statements

With no objections, a motion to approve the July Financial Statements was made 1st by Lockett, 2nd by Gardner. The Financial Report is approved.

VIII. Staff Report-----Staff

In the packet.

IX. Board Comments

No comments.

X. Adjourn -----Marquardt

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am.

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September 20, 2012 at 9.30AM