



**SWAMC Board of Directors Meeting
May 17, 2018**

- I. Call to Orderby President Skinner at 10:01 am**
- A. Roll Call..... Griffin**
yes Rebecca Skinner, joined 10:05 am Layton Lockett, ___no___ Myra Olsen, yes__Paul Gronholdt, _yes__ Alice Ruby, ___yes__ Glen Gardner, __no__ Candace Nielson, __yes__ Mary Swain, _joined 10:17 am__ Frank Kelty, ___yes__ Laura Muller, _yes__ Charlie Davidson
- II. Approval of Agenda Skinner**
Gardner moves to approve, Davidson seconds, no objections, agenda approved with amendment of addition of item VI. C. MAKE Contract with Dowland-Bach.
- III. Consent Agenda Skinner**
 - A. BOD Meeting Minutes, April 19, 2018**
Gardner moves to approve, Ruby seconds, no objections, minutes approved.
- IV. Public Comments Griffin**
Mel Lang, Business Development Director of Dowland-Bach Corp. spoke to the Board about the proposed contract with the MAKE Program and Dowland-Bach. James Hinsley, Project Manager, of Dowland-Bach was also in attendance. Lang explains that the MAKE Contract would allow Dowland-Bach to achieve a necessary certification to expand their market globally.
- V. Governance & Policy Skinner**
 - A. April 2018 Financial Statement**
Gronholdt moves to approve, Davidson seconds, no objections, FS approved.
 - B. Resolution FY18-14 – FFY 18 EDA Grant Acceptance and Cost Share Commitment**
Gronholdt moves to approve, Gardner seconds, no objections, resolution approved. Roll call vote taken: passes 9-0.
 - C. Letter of Support to FERC for Nuyakak Hydroelectric Project**
Davidson moves to approve, Swain seconds, no objections, letter approved. Roll call vote taken: passes 9-0. Ruby stated that the City of Dillingham has written a letter of support for the project. Skinner stated that SWAMC reserves the right, as the project develops, to revisit the project as more information comes available.
 - D. FY19 Budget Memorandum – Griffin discussed the start of the FY19 SWAMC Budget development. Ruby asked about additional ways to bring in revenue. Griffin stated that SWAMC has partners with three Coastal ARDORS for applying for grants. Skinner requested that the Board hold a tele-conference budget workshop before the BOD votes on passing the FY19 Budget.**
- VI. Management & Program Issues Griffin**
 - A. MAKE Contract – AEDC – Innovator Hall and Alaska-China Trade Mission**
Davidson moves to approve, Kelty seconds, no objections, contract approved. Roll call vote taken: passes 9-0. Gronholdt asked about SWAMC match, Obrien stated no SWAMC funds are used for match.
 - B. MAKE Contract Extension – Gebhardt Shipyard Master Plan**
Davidson moves to approve, Lockett seconds, no objections, contract extension approved. Roll call vote taken: passes 9-0. Lockett asked for verbal confirmation that Gebhardt’s contract/work would be done by/on December 31, 2018. Griffin states contract ends, no extensions past Dec. 31.
 - C. MAKE Contract -- Dowland-Bach**
Lockett moves to approve, Gardner seconds, no objections, contract approved. Roll call vote taken: passes 9-0.



- D. Partnership with Coastal ARDORS for Mariculture Project/National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Competition – Griffin explains NFWF has grants available, the four coastal ARDORS joined together for pre-application process. Final application due mid-July. If the Coastal ARDORS win the grant would fund a job to assist in the development of mari-culture. Application is for \$85k. Gronholdt states other groups in SWAMC region have applied for the same grant and wants to make sure that the all is fair to all applicants in our region. Skinner states this is not an item for the Board to take action on during this meeting. Skinner asked the question: Does SWAMC want to complete with SWAMC members for grants? That a policy level discussion on said issue should be discussed by the Board.
- E. Revised Administration and Personnel Policies
Kelty moves to approve, Gardner seconds, no objections, revised personnel policies are approved.

VII. Staff Report-----Griffin

- A. Staff Report – Griffin discusses that the Rural Energy Conference was successful, Port Lions won competition. Griffin will be attending the Bristol Bay Fishing Expo in June in Naknak.
- B. MAKE Report Card – Griffin discusses that SWAMC continues to move to get contracts while MAKE is still under SWAMC. The last NIST/MAKE survey requirement had a

VIII. Board Comments / Other Business

Skinner asks for the next Board meeting add Strategic Planning item to agenda, also have update/timeline for CEDS. Skinner asked about FCC funding shortage in rural Alaska: Is this problem in SWAMC’s region? Griffin states he will research this issue. Kelty asked if SWAMC will have meeting through the summer? Skinner and Griffin responds yes Board will meet each month. Skinner mentions that the June 21st meeting will be approving the FY19 Budget.

IX. Adjournment Kelty moves, Gardner seconds**President Skinner adjourns meeting at 11:15 am**



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