



**SWAMC Post-Conference Board Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2019 – 8 a.m.
Quarterdeck Room – Hotel Captain Cook, Anchorage, AK**

- I. Call to Order ----- 8:03 a.m. President Skinner
- II. Roll Call – yes - Rebecca Skinner, yes - Alice Ruby, yes – Glen Gardner, yes - Paul Gronholdt, yes - Myra Olsen, yes Mary Swain yes - Frank Kelty joined at 8:18 a.m., no – Layton Lockett, no - Charlie Davidson. (6 members present, 4 municipal) a quorum was established. Also, in attendance were Board Members elect: Terry Haines, Darren Muller, Dennis Robinson, and Laura Delgado.
- III. Approval of Agenda ----- Skinner
Olsen moves to approve, Gardner seconds, no objections, agenda approved. After Approval of Agenda, the Board introduced themselves and the municipality or business they represent.
- IV. Governance Issues
 - A. Ratification of Board Election – President Skinner reported results of the election of Board Member as follows:
 - Aleutian/Pribilof Municipal Seat** for two-year term – **Paul Gronholdt**
 - Aleutian/Pribilof Associate Seat** for two-year term – **Dennis Robinson**
 - Kodiak Municipal Seat** for two-year term – **Rebecca Skinner**
 - Kodiak Municipal Seat** (for one-year term – remainder of Davidson’s term, vacant due to resignation as selected by Kodiak caucus) – **Terry Haines**
 - Kodiak Associate Seat** (for one-year term – remainder of term vacant due to resignation) – **Darren Muller**
 - Bristol Bay Municipal Seat** for two-year term – **Mary Swain**
 - Bristol Bay Associate Seat** for two-year term – **Alice Ruby**
 - At-Large Seat A** by election of the Membership for two-year term – **Laura Delgado**Olsen moves to ratify the results of the election/selection of Board seats as selected by Caucuses and election by Membership (At-Large), Ruby seconds, no objections, election ratified.
 - B. Election of Officers – There was discussion that normal rotation called for Bristol Bay to hold President position. Ruby moves Mary Swain as President, Olsen seconds. Nominations were closed by consent. No objection, Swain was elected President of the SWAMC Board. Skinner turned the proceedings over to Swain to run the remainder of the Board Meeting. Board thanks Skinner for her dedicated service as President of the Board for the past two years.

There was informal discussion regarding the Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer positions. Consensus formed around Paul Gronholdt for Vice President and Rebecca Skinner. Gardner moves Gronholdt for Vice President and Skinner for Secretary/Treasurer, Ruby seconds, no objection.
 - C. Action on Resolutions – The Board briefly discussed the nine resolutions approved by the Membership. It was noted that the number of clinics needed to be added to FY19-09. Olsen moves, Skinner seconds the approval and distribution of resolutions with the inclusion of the numbers of clinics in FY19-09. Distribution of the resolutions included the: Governor, all 60 Legislators, Congressional Delegation, posting to the SWAMC Website, Alaska Municipal League, key regional non-profit organizations, municipalities (including non-member municipalities), and other ARDORS.
 - D. Annual Meeting Debrief -- There was informal discussion and comments from the Board as follows:
 - Skinner – City of Chignik became new member and its representative was actively engaged, organization of Conference a little disjointed – perhaps technology items should have been put together, with the number of resolutions needed more time for the business meeting.
 - Kelty – Communities should speak on first day with sponsors to follow, heard good comments about Conference overall, keep fish topics together, too many breaks.
 - Swain – Next year time needs to be added for networking within the regions prior to the business meeting and regional caucuses
 - Ruby – Roundtables were good – the best was when speakers have information that was helpful

Gronholdt – Need to have questions ready for speakers. The room was cold and caused some to leave. Acoustics were not good. Some parts of the room were better than others.

Olsen – People stayed around throughout the Conference. That was a positive sign that the Conference was good.

Gardner – Agrees with Myra. People do read the Resolutions.

Swain – Bring in more people to talk about what is working in their communities. AEA should have had more time. Conference planning committee needed for next year.

Delgado – Lots of reminders and comments that the Conference was good. Exhibitors were good. Panel members seemed more comfortable sitting down in roundtable format.

Ruby – Fisheries issues were current. However, municipalities are not involved in processing. Need more content for municipalities.

Gardner – The Symphony of Seafood lunch was great – a huge hit based on comments.

Swain – The conference following the Board of Fisheries was good.

Haines – Agree about Conference be success. Speakers were all good, particularly the last scientific panel. Good to hear about rationalize Bering Sea groundfish.

Kelty – I disagree with Terry (on rationalization of groundfish).

- E.** Dates for 2020 Annual Meeting – Griffin explained that the Friday of Conference week for 2020 was already booked but was open for 2021. This would make the Conference Dates March 4 -5 with pre-conference meeting on the 3rd and post-conference meeting on the 6th. For 2021, the Conference dates would be March 4 – 5 with pre-conference board meeting the evening prior and post-conference meeting on the 6th. Gronholdt moves, Gardner seconds booking the Hotel Captain Cook for March 3-6, 2020 and March 3-6, 2021, no objection.
 - F.** Calendaring/Board Meetings – There was discussion about Mayor Kelty always having conflict with third Thursday at 10 a.m. Griffin explained the meetings need to be in latter half of month to have any hope of having prior month financial reports to review. The third Wednesday was proposed, but Mr. Haines had conflict in morning with Fish Working Group meetings in Kodiak. An early afternoon start on Wednesday was proposed and seemed to have consensus. President Swain announced the new Board meeting date for regular meetings would be the third Wednesday of the month starting at 1 p.m. The next regular meeting will be March 20 at 1 p.m. by teleconference.
 - G.** Aleutian Broadband Update – Sherry McCuller and Randy Trost from Magellan Advisors gave the Board and Staff an update on the Aleutian Broadband project as it nears completion. No action was taken. An action item may be scheduled for the next Board meeting.
 - H.** SWAMC Staffing Implementation Plan – Griffin explained the need to extend positions budgeted to end on February 28 due to wind-down funding now available for the MEP/MAKE program, the Board's Strategic Plan, and need for staff to complete CEDS re-write as set out in his February 25 memorandum. There was discussion about staffing needs, staff performance during the Conference, and need to extend staffing for 90 days up to 6 months. Ruby moves, Skinner seconds to continue staffing for remainder of fiscal year FY19 (June 30), no objection.
- V.** Board Comments: Haines – honored to serve on SWAMC Board, Ruby – Great group to work with, Delgado – excited to be here, Robinson – happy to see how SWAMC has evolved, Olsen – enjoying the conference and meeting, and Skinner – Value of SWAMC needs to be highlighted to retain and grow membership – come to region to show what we are offering.
- VI.** Kelty, Gronholdt, and Gardner left meeting at 10:53 a.m.
- VII.** Adjourn: With no further business before the Board, adjourned 11:14 a.m. ----- President Swain