



SWAMC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2019

I. Call to Order ----- 1:25 p.m. by President Swain

A. Roll Call ----- Obrien

yes Mary Swain, _no_ Paul Gronholdt, _yes_ Rebecca Skinner, _no_ Myra Olsen, _yes_ Alice Ruby, _yes_ Glen Gardner, _no_ Frank Kelly, _no_ Terry Haines, _yes_ Laura Delgado, _yes_ Dennis Robinson, _no_ Darren Muller

II. Approval of Agenda ----- Swain

Skinner moves to approve, Gardner seconds, no objections, agenda approved.

III. Consent Agenda ----- Swain

A. Approval of Minutes

- a) Notes from February 15, 2019 briefing (did not have a quorum)
Ruby moves to approve, Skinner seconds, no objections, minutes approved.
- b) Meeting Minutes February 21, 2019
Ruby moves to approve, Skinner seconds, no objections, minutes approved.
- c) Meeting Minutes Pre-Conference Meeting – February 26, 2019
Ruby moves to approve, Skinner seconds, no objections, minutes approved.
- d) Meeting Minutes Post-Conference Meeting – March 1, 2019
Ruby moves to approve, Skinner seconds, no objections, minutes approved.

IV. Governance & Policy ----- Swain

- A. January 2019 Financial Statement**
Ruby moves to approve, Skinner seconds, no objections, FS approved
- B. CEDS Update – Obrien** discussed that a firm maybe used to send updates to the CEDS on SWAMC website. Griffin went to Kodiak, in reference to, CEDS. Board recommends putting a survey together to send out to gather information for CEDS from communities. SWAMC will work with KANA & BBNC in CEDS redux. Skinner comments she was disappointed that SWAMC meeting with Kodiak borough when Griffin was in Kodiak. SWAMC CEDS needs to include Kodiak Island road system.

V. Management & Program Issues ----- Griffin

- A. Executive Director Search**
 - a) Tim Pearson
 - b) Foraker Group

Ruby moves to approve to have Griffin get formal proposals from Pearson and Foraker, Skinner seconds, no objections, approved. Proposals need to include costs, the firm’s process for executive searches & their proposed time-frame to find candidates.

VI. Staff Report ----- Obrien

Obrien states that drones project shown at Conference that SWAMC is making headway with Dillingham H.S. & Naknek through 4-H Club to get funding for drone racing clubs. Add’l project SWAMC is working on is the virtual reality energy pilot project. Vaught & Obrien met with AEA about funding, which was a yes so SWAMC is reaching out to Federal grants for match. VISTA application submitted to RurICAP. Looks favorable that SWAMC will have a VISTA in August.

VII. Board Comments / Other Business

Skinner: SWAMC should educated SW Alaska communities about importance of CEDS. Communities need to participate in the Federal census. The Governor’s road show has no scheduled stops in SW Alaska. Griffin commented he will be attending Governor’s road show event in Anchorage. Ruby: SWAMC should not forget to update the Economic Geography document. Legislators do not come to SW Alaska because of unreliable flights. Delgado: Thanked staff for conference. Robinson: SWAMC needs to stay on top of cruise ship numbers in SW Alaska, discussed the launching of satellites to bring internet to SW Alaska. Swain: agrees with Ruby about Economy Geography document.

VIII. Adjourn Time: Skinner moves to adjourn meeting, Ruby seconds 2:14 pm adjourned _____ Swain

