

BBRSDA Special Board Meeting Agenda

March 21, 2016 – 5:00 p.m. PDT
Teleconference

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

President Williams called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. Present were President Williams, Vice-president Christensen and Secretary/Treasurer Solberg; board members Johnson, Gibbons and Andrew; and ex-officio board member Friccero. A quorum was established.

Also present were Executive Director, Becky Martello and ADF&G Management Coordinator for Prince William Sound and Bristol Bay, Bert Lewis.

Johnson moved and Friccero seconded to waive the meeting notice requirement.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Approval of agenda

Christensen moved and Johnson seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ADF&G Cost Recovery

Williams opened the discussion and gave the floor to Lewis. Lewis reported that the the department is looking to generate \$250,000 in revenue through a cost recovery fishery in Bristol Bay. This year the RFP that will go out to processors will set a minimum bid of 30 cents/pound; totaling about 830,000 pounds or about 150,000 fish. Lewis added that the Department would also target up to 2,000 Nushagak kings. Discussion continued on the potential for avoiding a cost recovery altogether. Lewis assured the board that if alternate funding was secured, the department would not execute the cost recovery fishery. The board expressed concern about the use of cost recovery to provide funding to the Department in future years. Additional concerns were that this pre-season harvest sets an arbitrarily low grounds price.

Lewis thanked the board for their time and consideration of looking at alternate routes of funding and signed off at 6:00 pm.

The board continued discussion and consensus was formed around providing funding and then seeking to recoup half of the cost from processors.

Andrew moved and Christensen seconded to provide up to \$250,000 to ADF&G to fund the departmental shortfall and stop the cost recovery.

Martello added that the board should consider several large sum obligations that will also need to be paid this fiscal year. Solberg and Johnson concurred.

Andrew called question. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Adjourn

Christensen moved and Solberg seconded to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.