

BBRSDA Board Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.

Bristol Bay Borough High School Auditorium - Naknek, AK

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Present were President Williams, Vice-President Larry Christensen, Treasurer/Secretary Lange Solberg; board members Buck Gibbons, Fritz Johnson, Tony Wood and Mike Friccero (via telephone).

Also present were Executive Director, Becky Martello, Carlos Tarin of Foraker Group, Phil Gibson of ResilienSea, Kate Consenstein of Rising Tide Communications, Mark Buckley of Digital Observer and members Matt Marinkovich and Michael Jackson.

2. Approval of Agenda

Christensen moved and Solberg seconded to approved the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Review/Approve March 2015 Financial Reports

Chair Williams introduced Carlos Tarin of Foraker Group who has taken over CPA functions for BBRSDA. Tarin gave a brief overview of the quarterly financials. Solberg moved and Gibbons seconded to approve the March 2016 Financial Reports. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

Christensen moved and Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of the March 3, March 15 and March 21 meetings. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Member Comments

Attending PR/Outreach Committee Member, Michael Jackson, thanked the board for the opportunity to facilitate the Townhall meetings this year. He noted that the one thing nearly all members supported past efforts around Pebble Mine and that while he respects Williams, he doesn't feel the membership supports his presidency. Mark Buckley of Digital Observer, who was contracted to write an application for NOAA's Saltonstall-Kennedy grant program reported that the grant was not awarded. He also added that he is now a member.

6. Review of Conflict of Interest Disclosures

Board members were given conflict of interest disclosures prior to board meeting. The board noted that COIs should be completed prior to election of officers. Hasn't been a requirement in the past but asked Martello to make a change to policy that requires completion of the disclosure prior to elections.

7. Election of Officers

Williams opened nominations for President. Johnson nominated Fircero and Friccero

accepted. Gibbons nominated Williams and Williams accepted. Johnson moved and Christensen seconded to close nominations. Friccero was elected as President by a vote of 3/2 with Williams and Friccero abstaining.

Friccero opened nominations for Vice President. Solberg nominated Christensen and Christensen accepted. Solberg moved and Johnson seconded to close nominations. Christensen was unanimously elected as Vice President.

Friccero opened nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Johnson nominated Solberg and Solberg accepted. Christensen moved and Johnson seconded to close nominations. Solberg was unanimously elected Secretary/Treasurer.

8. Committee Assignments

Friccero stated that he would like to wait until September to make final committee assignments but that he would like to appoint incoming board member, Wood, to marketing. Christensen moved and Johnson seconded to approve appointing Wood to the marketing committee. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMUOSLY.**

Discussion on the effectiveness of the committee structure followed and the board discussed the need to reevaluate each committee.

9. Executive Director Report

Martello provided the board with a written report of activities since the last board meeting. Solberg moved and Johnson seconded to accept the report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10. Final UW invoice

Upon this year's completion of the UW Foregone Harvest project, which began in 2009, UW grants and contracts audited the account and found \$222,195 to still be owed. Financial Administrator Aspelund has been researching and putting together a historical accounting of all payments and activities that have occurred with the grant since inception. It was found that the amount owed is in fact accurate, however with the severely late receipt of the final report and several errors on the accounting side and lack of timely invoicing from UW, Executive Director Martello requested a 25% discount of the final invoice and is awaiting a decision. Regardless of whether or not the discount is granted, the final invoice will likely need to be paid this summer.

Williams moved and Christensen seconded to move up to \$222,195 from reserves into a cash account in order to pay the invoice. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11. ADF&G cost recovery funding

The board agreed to fund the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in order to avoid a cost recovery fishery that would have generated upwards of \$250,000. The amount ADF&G normally allocates to indirect was removed from the required funding; saving

roughly \$25,000 leaving the total amount of funding required at \$226,327. Martello has been working with processors to share in the funding but the funds will need to come in total from BBRSDA; and while contributions are expected, the checks are not in hand, so Martello recommends that the board authorize moving up to the full amount from reserves.

Christensen moved and Johnson seconded moving up to \$226,327 from reserves into a cash account to cover the total amount of the Cooperative Agreement with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in order to avoid a cost recovery fishery. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12. Logo selection

In May the marketing committee had approved the recommended logo for use in the Boulder pilot project. After the meeting some board members expressed an interest in reconsidering. Discussion ensued with the major point being that the word "Alaska" somehow be included the final version.

Williams moved and Johnson seconded to allow management to develop, design, select and possibly incorporate Alaska to complete the logo project. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

13. Booth at Bellingham SeaFeast

Solberg reported on this new event in Bellingham and that it could be a good event for BBRSDA. There is no booth fee but there could be costs associated with travel, booth materials, etc.

Christensen moved and Solberg seconded to authorize up to \$1,500 to cover any expenses that may be associated with participating in Bellingham SeaFeast. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

14. Review of Annual Membership Meeting

The board briefly discussed the membership meeting that happened just prior to the board meeting. The consensus was that it was an overall positive experience with really good attendance. The board was pleased with contractor participation, including ResilienSea, McDowell Group and Rising Tide Communications, as well ASMI's involvement in this year's meeting.

15. Executive Session

The board did not go into Executive Session.

16. Miscellaneous

With the election of new officers, the board needs to approve resolutions to change signers on financial accounts. Resolutions 16-01 and 16-02 were presented to the board.

Williams moved and Johnson seconded to approve Resolution 16-01. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Williams moved and Johnson seconded to approve Resolution 16-02. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

17. Review/Confirm Future Meeting Dates
 - September 15-16 – Anchorage, AK
 - October 10-11 – Bellingham, WA
 - November 15-16 – Silver Cloud, Seattle, WA
 - January 10-11 – Location TBD
 - February – Meeting to be determined
 - March 2-3 – Anchorage, AK

18. Adjourn
 - Williams moved and Solberg seconded to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.