

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 28th, 2014
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Peterson	Board member R. Kniaziowski
Vice President Knight	Board member Bonney
Past President Deal	KICVB Rep. McCarthy
Secretary/Treasurer Blondin	

Excused

Board member Turner	Borough Rep. Cassidy
Board member Randolph	USCG Base Rep. Capt. Westling
Board member McLaughlin	USCG Air Station Rep. Capt. Rivera
City Rep. A. Kniaziowski	KEA Rep Scott

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director	Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant
Summer Wood, Comm. Rel. Director	

CALL TO ORDER

- Vice President Peterson chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Board member Knight moved to approve the agenda. Board member Bonney seconded. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. June 16, 2014 Board Minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Community Relations Report
4. Membership Report

Board member Knight moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Board member R. Kniaziowski seconded. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Appoint Vice President Peterson as President

Board member Knight moved to appoint Vice President Peterson as President. Secretary/Treasurer Blondin seconded. Board discussion followed. The motion to appoint Vice President Peterson as President passed.

2. Nominations/Election for Vice President position

Secretary/Treasurer Blondin moved to appoint Board member Knight as Vice President. President Peterson seconded. Motion passed.

3. June Financial Statements (if received by end of the day on Friday)

Executive Director Brown mentioned that the June Financial Statements were not received until Monday morning. Reviews on Financial Statements were tabled until next board meeting.

4. Board Appointment

Executive Director Brown discussed the board appointment with the board and mentioned that Ellen Simeonoff is interested for the open seat. Board discussion followed. Vice President Knight moved to accept Ellen Simeonoff for the open seat. Board member Kniazowski seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Debate Update

Executive Director Brown discussed the arrangement of the debate for the Alaska Senate House District 32. Board comments and discussion followed.

2. Public Awareness Campaign for Seafood Industry

Executive Director Brown and Board member Bonney proposed that the Chamber educate the community about the seafood industry using our local newspaper. Past President Deal suggested that the Chamber also promote other industries. Board discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dan Sullivan Meeting July 31 at 11:30am

President Peterson corrected the time to 11:00am and mentioned that the meeting will take place at the Chamber.

2. Pull Tab Management

Secretary/Treasurer Blondin requested an update on Pull Tab Management. Executive Director Brown discussed the matter with the board.

3. Afognak Native Corporation Open House

Executive Director Brown invited the board on behalf of Board member McLaughlin to the Afognak Open House on August 29th from 3-6pm.

BOARD COMMENTS

- President Peterson mentioned that he would like to discuss the benefits of being a Chamber member at the next board meeting. He stated that he attended an Economic Development Seminar in Anchorage and suggested membership benefit projects for the Chamber. He mentioned that the Alutiiq Museum has their annual meeting in August. He mentioned that Dig Afognak is coming to an end.
- Vice President Knight mentioned that the gym has been slow due to great weather.
- KICVB McCarthy stated that the 2015 Visitor Guide will be completed soon. She mentioned that she will have conferences to attend to and there will be 3 more cruise ships arriving in Kodiak. She also stated that Alaska broke the record for tourism to Alaska this year with 1.8 million tourists.
- Past President Deal stated that the bank has been busy with record loans and deposits. He mentioned that Wells Fargo is looking for a Mortgage Loan Originator. Past President Deal suggested that the Chamber board revisit the attendance policy for the board.

- Board member Bonney congratulated Frank Peterson and Lindsay Knight on their new roles as President and Vice President on the Chamber board. She stated that she is fond of the idea of rethinking the Chamber's role in moving the community forward. She suggested that the Chamber reconsider having executive meetings prior to the board meetings. Board member Bonney also mentioned that the Groundfish industry has slowed down.
- Board member R. Kniazowski stated that salmon season has picked up and will keep Horizon Lines busy. He mentioned that construction on Pier 3 will force them to operate at Swampy Acres. He stated that construction should be done by July of 2015.
- Secretary/Treasurer Blondin mentioned that Credit Union 1 has stayed busy throughout the summer.
- **ADJOURNMENT**
- Secretary/Treasurer Blondin entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice President Knight seconded.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.