

JAN. 2, 2002

USA/KODIAK

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CALL TO ORDER 11:25 AM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Schactler, Adams, Wischer, Fox, Myrick, Kouremetis

OTHERS PRESENT: Erin Harrington, Administrative Assistant, and Toby Sullivan

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND NOV 13 MINUTES:

Minutes of Dec. 12, 2001 meeting approved unanimously.

Agenda approved with addition of web page discussion; discussion of UFA-related issues; discussion of e-mail received from Rob Lebovic, Bristol Bay fisherman.

BUDGET REPORT:

Adams said delinquent \$200 assessments are equal to \$11,400; expressed need to pursue delinquent assessments.

Adams called for establishment of budget committee. Myrick volunteered; Erin to contact Bob Allen and request that he participate.

Myrick asked that Wischer and Adams be present for first meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT:

Adams reported that Saltonstall-Kennedy letter was presented to Sen. Ted Stevens and Rep. Don Young Dec. 26 by Schactler.

Erin reported that letter was distributed to fishery organizations throughout the country.

Adams reported that a letter is being sent to processing companies statewide to solicit feedback about the possibility of state legislation to provide funding to processors without commercial loans.

Schactler clarified that state loans would also provide short-term "bridge" funding.

NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE:

Kouremetis reported that Wards Cove fishermen Metzger had heard rumors that retro price should have been 10 cents but that the USA contract kept it at \$.03.

(Agreed that Kouremetis, Wischer and Keplinger would touch base with processors as soon as possible regarding Item G on 2001 contracts)

KODIAK ISLAND SALMON LABEL:

Adams requested that Erin research trademarking and/or copyrighting label.

Adams reported that Stan Duncan will be using label.

Adams recommended, Steering committee agreed, that no one be permitted to use label not be shared with anyone unless the Steering Committee agrees, and that the individual meet ASMI quality standards for #1 fish.

Steering Committee directed Erin to write up policy standard regarding label use.

Sullivan recommended researching "Made In Alaska" label.

NEWSLETTER:

Responsibilities for newsletter articles were distributed as follows:

Introduction of Erin/Grant Submission article → Erin

Federal issues; labeling; S&K; pack loans → Adams, Wischer, Schactler

Price/Negotiation article → Wischer

UFA ISSUES:

Steering Committee unanimously approved motion to designate Wischer as USA representative at UFA meeting.

Steering Committee directed Erin to forward relevant UFA e-mails to committee members in preparation for UFA meeting.

Steering Committee decided to rework UFA marketing committee's eventual recommendations for restructuring ASMI and submit them to UFA from the Association.

WEB SITE:

Myrick informs Steering Committee that Philip Tscherscich is interested in building Association Web site.

Wischer to be in touch with Tscherscich.

OTHER:

Adams informed Steering Committee that she would leave for New York on Jan. 26 and return early April.

Steering Committee unanimously selected Wischer as new Chair, effective immediately.

Kouremetis requested that a discussion of the \$200 assessment be put on the agenda of the next Steering Committee meeting.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned @1PM.