

Pribilof Islands Collaborative Steering Committee Meeting

August 23, 2005 9:00 AM AK teleconference

Planning and Steering Committee meeting

Agenda and meeting summary

NOTE: Action items/ homework are highlighted in yellow

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be Thursday September 1st, 9:00am Alaska time (10:00am Seattle, 1:00pm D.C.)

Present: Denise Woods, Heather McCarty, Margaret Williams, Lisa Butzner, Paul MacGregor, Steve Maclean, Max Malavansky, Jr., Debbie Lestenkof, Karl Haflinger

Agenda for the Steering Committee Conference Call:

1. Final changes/ speaker confirmations for September meeting agenda
2. Administering the Steering Committee: next team leader nominations?
3. Next full PIC meeting planning (seabirds, economics, wrap-up)
4. Financial report

Meeting summary:

1. Final changes/ speaker confirmations for September meeting agenda
 - Heather will compile the last of the changes, add titles to speakers' names, add "Meeting Purpose" language developed with Brock, and email to Denise for distribution this week
 - Max Malavansky Jr. suggests the following speakers for LTKW perspective of St. George current economic situation:
 - Andy Kashevarof (Tanaq)
 - Anthony B. Mercurief (SG Traditional Council)
 - Debbie will make inquiries and suggest possible speakers for LTKW and government representatives' perspective of St. Paul current economic situation
 - John R. Mercurieff has been suggested as govt rep.
 - Considering an evening social function at TNC or at an industry-related facility
 - Margaret will coordinate with Doug Demaster, Bruce Robson and others about the lunch time northern fur seal research and action items update, to be delivered on Thursday Sept 15 from noon to 1pm.
 - Karl and Paul will contact Jack Knutsen to see if he can commit to attending and presenting.
2. Administering the Steering Committee: next team leader nominations?
 - So far, the rotating position of "team leader" has been filled by an environmental rep (Evie Witten) and a CDQ rep (Heather McCarty). Has been suggested the next leader should come from industry or the islands
 - No one has volunteered
 - Will address during the next steering committee meeting/ nominations or volunteers needed!!!!

3. Next full PIC meeting planning (seabirds, economics, wrap-up)
- Previously tentatively scheduled November 1-2 “economics” meeting is unrealistic: too soon after the September meeting and too many other commitments around that date
 - Economics meeting necessary to address topics not directly related to crab and halibut fisheries, such as ecotourism, island-based research/ research station, and shore-based fisheries/ processing
 - Seabirds meeting: would be in late February, when USFWS survey data are processed (NPFMC meets first weeks of Feb...)
 - **Proposed:** Cancel plans for a November meeting, plan for a February seabirds meeting, followed by March or April meeting on economics (perhaps also combined with a “wrap-up” meeting to follow up on fur seals, crab, halibut, and seabird issues)
 - Next steering committee meeting: **PLEASE BRING YOUR CALENDARS AND BE PREPARED TO SELECT DATES FOR THESE MEETINGS**

4. Financial report

- Steve Maclean (TNC) will be taking over financials from Randy Hagenstein. He reports:
 - Current PIC balance: \$3,300
 - NPRB funds (will be released to SWAMC by early September): \$10,000 (earmarked for travel for islanders)
 - At-large islanders planning to attend the meeting should contact Denise or Steve ahead of time and should keep receipts for air travel and hotel accommodations (*no per diem, food, car rental or other costs will be covered*)
 - NMFS funds: \$50,000, will be available after September (Steve will contact Kaja about releasing the funds)
 - Oak Foundation/ TNC: A pot of approx \$30,000 is available from TNC via their Oak grant. These funds are available to pay expenses related to the upcoming Sept meeting (including venue, catering, facilitator).
 - Denise and Steve will collaborate on developing the budget related to this meeting
 - Suggested that those receiving catered lunch during the meeting pay for their portion, to defray the expenses associated with the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday September 1, 9:00am Alaska time