

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 27, 2012
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Knight	Board member A. Kniazowski
Vice President Deal	USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore
Past President Whiddon	KIB Rep. Gifford
Board member Durham	USCG Air Station Commander Deal
Board member R. Kniazowski	Board member Williamson
Board member Brodie	Board member Powers
Board member Friend	

Excused

Secretary/Treasurer Salter	Board member Sockwell
Board member Rush	Board member Lund

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director	Lale Gurer, Economic Development Specialist
Lindsey Howell, Comm. Rel. Director	Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

- President Knight chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Past President Whiddon moved to approve agenda. Vice President Deal seconded. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. January 2012 Board minutes
 2. Executive Director's Report
 3. Community Relations Report
 4. Membership Report
 5. Economic Development Report
- Vice President Deal moved to approve consent agenda. Past President Whiddon seconded. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **New Board Members – Oath of Office**
 - Past President Whiddon swore in the newly elected board members.
2. **Board Elections**
 - Past President Whiddon proposed Lindsay Knight as President, Greg Deal as Vice President, and Darlene Williamson as Secretary/Treasurer.
 - Past President Whiddon moved to approve board elections. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion passed.

3. **December 2011 Financial Statements**

Executive Director Brown gave an update of the December 2011 Financial Statements.

- Vice President Deal moved to approve consent agenda. Board member Durham seconded. Motion passed.

4. **2011 Year End Compilation**

Board Member Durham gave a brief description about the 2011 Year End Compilation.

- Board discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **2012 Annual Dinner Award Nominations**

Executive Director Brown and Community Relations Director Howell gave a brief report of the 2012 Annual Dinner.

- Board discussion followed with suggestions for next year's Annual Dinner. Board also agreed that Friday was a "perfect day" for the Annual Dinner.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Book Project Update**

Community Relations Director Howell gave a brief update on the Book Project. There are no set dates for when the books will be published, but it is currently on schedule for release in early summer.

2. **Comfish Update**

Executive Director Brown provided the board with a brief update about Comfish. He stated that there are 4 booths left and expects to be sold out by next week.

3. **State Chamber Rural Outreach**

Executive Director Brown gave the board an update about the State Chamber Rural Outreach. Dates have been finalized for this event, which will be held on July 11th and 12th.

- Board discussion followed.

4. **New Board Member**

President Knight announced that Board Member Lund has resigned and opened the floor for nominations.

- Past President Whiddon suggested that the next person in line take the position. Vice President Deal announced that Jack Johnson was the next candidate.

Board member Powers moved to approve the new board member. Vice President Deal seconded. Motion passed.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Board member Brodie stated that he had a good time at the Annual Dinner. Also the theater dinner hosted by the Kodiak Lions Club will be held next Friday and Saturday at the Kodiak Harbor Convention Center. Tickets are \$35.
- Board member Kniazowski mentioned that Horizon has been dealing with large amounts of fish, which has been keeping them busy.
- Past President Whiddon mentioned the progress being made with the J-1 issue and continued to discuss the solution for this issue. He also mentioned that the June North Pacific Fisheries

Council will be in Kodiak during the first week of June. The City and Borough are working on organizing a reception with the Chamber's help.

- Board member A. Kniazowski stated that the Borough and City will be having a joint work session. She also mentioned that the City will be starting on the budget process. She mentioned the AK shield 2012 was very successful and training turned out well. Lastly, she mentioned Carolyn Floyd's nomination for the Alaska Woman's Hall of Fame.
- USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore mentioned that he had a great time at the Annual Dinner.
- KIB Rep. Gifford stated that he enjoyed the Annual dinner. He also stated that they are working on their budget; particularly for the school. Three other projects they're working on is the expansion of the High School as well as the Landfill, and lastly the Code Rewrite which they hope to have done by the end of the summer. Furthermore, he mentioned the Borough and City will be putting on a Legislative Seafood Reception in Juneau on March 21st.
- Board member Durham stated that the President of the University has put a hold on all new construction; therefore, they will not be able to start renovations of the Technology Center at the college.
- KICVB Rep. Buckingham mentioned that the Visitor's Center has been exceptionally busy with conventions. She also mentioned that they will be having their Happy Humpy Auction where they will be auctioning Humpy Salmon. For the next 6 weeks KICVB will be occupied with redesigning and redeveloping their website. Lastly, she mentioned that cruise ship season will begin on April 10th.
- Vice President Deal mentioned that loans are up and warned that counterfeit money, mostly \$20, \$50, and \$100 bills, have been going around town. Wells Fargo has brochures describing ways to tell counterfeit money a part from real money.
- Board member Powers stated that Koniag has two local projects they will be working on the Kodiak Brown Bear Center and Granite Cove Quarry.
- USCG Air Station Commander Deal mentioned that the Air Station is growing they have gone from 4 H-60 helicopters to 5. He also mentioned that about 20-21 additional families will be coming in this summer.
- Board member Williamson stated that she's been working closely with Coast Guard families who want to come to Kodiak. She's also looking forward to a great year and accomplishing a lot.
- Board member Friend stated that the Annual Event was great. She also mentioned that KCHC had an extremely busy year last year when they went live with EPIC.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.