

THE ALASKA FOOD COALITION



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2006
11 AM – 12 NOON HOSTED BY FOOD BANK OF ALASKA**

Members Present

President, Linda Swarner
Vice-President, Jim Crockett
Secretary, Nick Timurphy
Treasurer, Susannah Morgan
Alaska Food Coalition Coordinator, Henryk Szadziewski

1. Annual Member Meeting - Planning

Theme and aim

The committee decided to build on last year's theme of federal nutrition programs and legislative work. In addition, the Annual Member Meeting will explore present research being done by the coalition as well as data the coalition would like to see researched in the future.

Possible speakers

Legislators: Berta Gardner, Johnny Ellis, Les Gara
Governor
Lieutenant Governor
Selected state administrators of federal nutrition programs

Event at The Glory Hole – topic and character

Committee members decided to explore the possibility of an event at The Glory Hole. The presentation of a report on the current state of federal nutrition programs in Alaska will be the focus. The report is being prepared by Food Bank of Alaska Advocacy Program Manager, Shawn Powers.

Schedule for the two days

Half day for hill visits

Half day group time with legislators/governor's office

Half day with state administrators of the federal nutrition programs

Half day of Alaska Food Coalition business (including a research review, goals for FY08)

Begin: 10am 2/12/07

End: 5pm 2/13/07

Arranging travel to Juneau for members

The officers decided that an e-mail would be sent to members soliciting comment on changes to Annual Member Meeting travel arrangements. In the light of the Alaska Food Coalition's recent growth, the Executive Committee is proposing that competitive scholarships to cover airfare to Juneau be offered to members. Members applying for the scholarship will be ranked on three criteria:

- Their past participation in Alaska Food Coalition meetings, research and events
- Location (priority will be given to rural agencies)
- Operating budget (priority will be given to low-budget agencies)

Officer election process

Nominations were put forward for the following offices:

President: Linda Swarner

Vice President: Nick Timurphy

Treasurer: Susannah Morgan

An e-mail soliciting further nominations for the above offices and the position of Alaska Food Coalition Secretary will be sent to members. Officers will be decided at the Annual Member Meeting.

Other considerations

Jim Crockett volunteered to take the lead on preparing hunger fact baskets/kits for state legislators.

The coordinator said he would look into block booking hotel rooms in Juneau. He will find out the prices of various hotels and report them to the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 12 noon