

## United States Arctic Research Commission's 110<sup>th</sup> Meeting Kotzebue, AK September 5, 2018

## NW Borough Assembly Chambers, 163 Lagoon Street, Kotzebue, AK

8:00 - 9:00 A.M. USARC Community Breakfast (public invited)

**8:30 - 10:00** A.M. **Meeting convenes:** Welcome by Fran Ulmer (USARC Chair), Mayor Clements Richard

(NWAB Mayor) and Robert Schaeffer (Native Village of Kotzebue Tribal Council Chairman)

**Community Discussion on Research Needs** 

• Introductions, followed by a semi-structured group discussion (public is welcome and encouraged to attend)

**10:00 – 10:10** A.M. Presentation from local Arctic Youth Ambassador (*K. Booth, Kotzebue*)

10:10 - 10:30 A.M. Break

10:30 – 12:00 P.M. Health and Community Wellness Session

Overview of Maniilaq's programs in the NWAB region (*T. Gilbert, Maniilaq*)

• Focus on Maniilaq's Environmental Health program (C. Dankmeyer, Maniilaq)

• Focus on Maniilaq's Community Wellness Program (B. Swanson, Maniilaq)

Discussion focused on how research can inform practice and policy (*co-leads: F. Ulmer and T. Gilbert*)

Input from Maniilaq leadership (Board members, administrative leadership, etc.)

noon – 1:00 P.M. Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 P.M. Infrastructure and Adaptation Session

Overview of local energy/power-related issues with particular focus on air source

heat pumps (I. Matthiason, Northwest Arctic Borough)

Local solar and renewable energy projects (S. Adams, Nana Regional Corporation)

Reg'l housing updates/energy efficient housing (C. Collins, NW Inupiat Housing Authority)

Arctic Infrastructure Resilience and Arctic Research at Sandia National Laboratories

(L. Parrott, Sandia)

2:30 – 3:00 P.M. Break

3:00 – 4:00 P.M. Local Science Presentations

Past and present research partnerships in the Kotzebue region (A. Whiting, Village of Kotzebue) A broad view of NANA's future in the Arctic (L. Cravalho/W. Westlake, Nana Regional

Corporation)

National Park Service research overview (M. Lukin, NPS)

Overview of ADF&G biological programs in unit 23: caribou, moose, sheep, muskox, bear

surveys (B. Saito, ADF&G)

**Public portion of meeting closes** 

4:00 – 5:00 P.M. Commission Goals Report Discussion (Executive Session)

5:00 P.M. Meeting adjourns