

2012 AFN ANNUAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

Overview and Follow-up Activities



RESOLUTIONS OVERVIEW

- Special Recognition: 3 resolutions:
- Board Resolutions: 13 resolutions
- Subsistence: 6 resolutions:
- Health, Safety, and Welfare: 6 resolutions
- Land and natural resources: 2 resolutions
- Economic: 6 resolutions
- Other: 4 resolutions
- ANSCA/Tribal: 4 resolutions

44 Total Resolutions considered at 2012
AFN Annual Convention

RESOLUTIONS AMENDED AND PASSED BY TOPIC AREA

▪ Special Recognition:	3 resolutions:	All unanimously passed
▪ Education	5 resolutions:	2 amended
▪ Subsistence:	10 resolutions:	5 amended 1 tabled
▪ Health, Safety, and Welfare:	7 resolutions:	2 amended
▪ Land and natural resources:	2 resolutions:	1 amended
▪ Economic:	9 resolutions:	1 amended
▪ Other:	4 resolutions:	2 amended
▪ ANSCA/Tribal:	4 resolutions:	2 amended

BOARD RESOLUTIONS

- 13 resolutions from AFN Board of Directors
- 5 resolutions are educational issues, 3 Economic, 4 related to subsistence issues, 1 Healthcare,
- TABLED – Resolution 12-08: *Support For The Board of Fish Generated Proposal That Would Add Pacific Herring To The State of Alaska's Forage Fish Management Plan.*

Very active Board members!
12-08 tabled. Not statewide in nature.

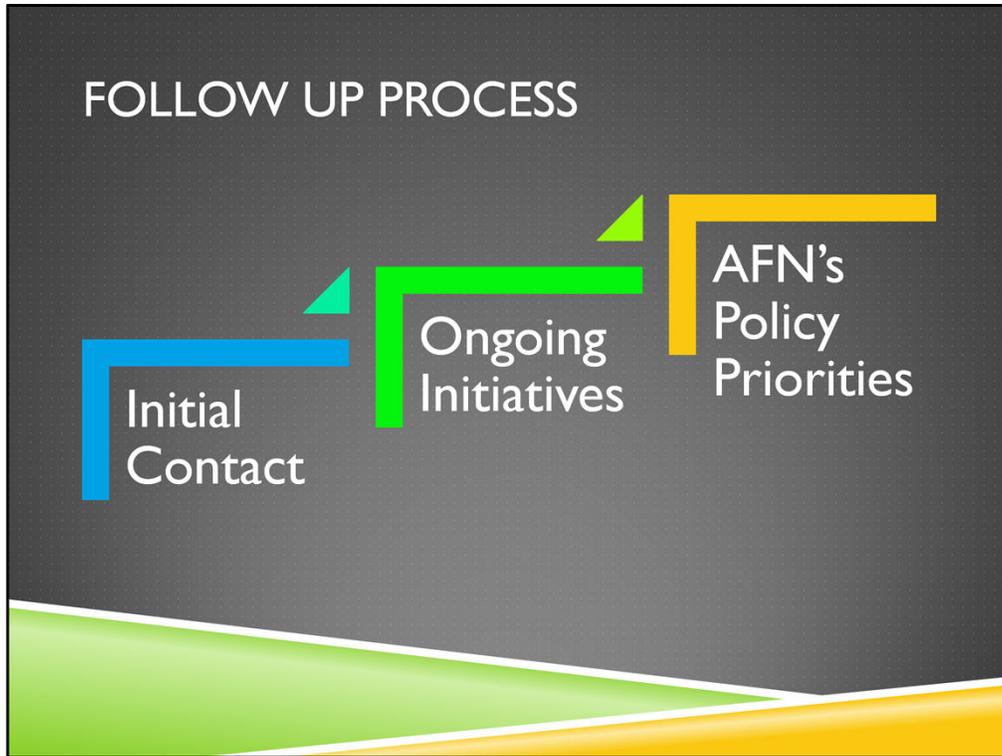
RESOLUTION 12-39

- ▶ *Original Title: A Resolution To Amend The Bylaws of the Corporation To Set AFN Co-chair Term Limits, Limit the Number of Consecutive Terms Served and Implement Staggered Election Years*
- ▶ *Amended Title : A Resolution Recommending That the Board of Directors of the Alaska Federation of Natives Amend the Bylaws of the Corporation to Set AFN Co-chair Term Limits, Limit the Number of Consecutive Terms Served, and Implement Staggered Election Years*

As submitted, the resolution was ruled out of order. Amending the title and placing calling upon the Board to act resolved the issue. The parliamentarians ruled that this resolution was now in order and passed. Discussion of this resolution will occur today under New Business.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- ▶ Charles “Tumungruk” Johnson
- ▶ 100-Year Anniversary of the Alaska Native Brotherhood
- ▶ Senator Albert Sikkiagruk Adams



Follow up on the resolutions is a multi-step, multi-approach process.

Broadly, the processes fall into three categories. Initial contact, ongoing initiatives, and AFN's Policy Priorities.

FOLLOW UP PROCESS



Initial
Contact

- ▶ Novel issues
- ▶ Audience unfamiliar with:
 - ▶ Issue
 - ▶ AFN
 - ▶ Alaska Native Issues
- ▶ Reintroduction necessary

The first step required for many resolutions is a letter or other contact introducing AFN and the issue. Gives us a chance to identify the appropriate people to work with and set the stage for future work.

FOLLOW UP PROCESS



Ongoing
Initiatives

- ▶ Resolutions of support
- ▶ Long-term projects
- ▶ Reaffirming AFN's position

Sponsors of resolutions often approach the Delegates to reaffirm support for their initiatives. Examples: funding for AK Legal Services, working with ACLU on the AK Performance Scholarship, despite life of resolutions sometimes the position simply needs to be refreshed.

FOLLOW UP PROCESS



- ▶ Determining Policy Priorities
- ▶ Guidance to AFN Committees
- ▶ Resource for outside parties
 - ▶ White papers on issues
 - ▶ Transition letter to Obama Administration and Congress
 - ▶ Impact trips to DC and Juneau

Truly the purpose of the resolutions process is to determine AFN's priorities. Reflection of what is really important and timely for our membership. Resolutions are the foundation of AFN's advocacy work and provide the backup we need, both in the language and working with sponsors to further the issue.

To track where we are on each resolution, staff uses a shared tracking matrix. The idea is that any time we include a resolution in letters, papers, meetings, it is noted here so nothing "falls through the cracks"

THANK YOU FOR
YOUR ATTENTION!

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