



DRAFT Annual Meeting Agenda: Haines September

Monday, September 18th

- 1:30 PM** **Ferry from Juneau Arrives (Leaves Juneau at 9AM, a bus will meet ferry in Haines)**
4:00 PM Reception at the Haines Sheldon Museum with hors d'oeuvres
6:30 PM No host bar at Haines Brewery with hors d'oeuvres by the Haines Chamber of Commerce



Tuesday, September 19th

Harriett Hall, Southeast Alaska State Fairgrounds

- 7:15 AM** Registration & Breakfast (Transportation provided from hotels) Sponsored by the Alaska Committee

8:00 AM Opening Ceremony

Chelsea Goucher: Southeast Conference President

National Anthem & Alaska Flag Song by Rebekah McCoy

Jan Hill: Haines Mayor and Southeast Conference First Vice President

Richard Peterson: Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska President

Shirley Marquardt: Boards and Commissions Director



9:00 AM Economic Development Strategies

Micaela Fowler: Introduction by the Legislative Liaison for the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

- 9:10 AM** **Brittney Cioni Haywood:** Northern Opportunity: Alaska's Economic Development Strategy by the Director Division of Economic Development

- 9:25 AM** **Meilani Schijvens:** Southeast Alaska by the Numbers and Regional Economic Plan Rain Coast Data

- 9:55 AM** **Kathie Wasserman:** Alaska Municipal League and the Economy

- 10:15 AM** **Myrna Gardner:** Manager Business & Economic Development Department Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Regional CEDS

10:30 AM 15 minute Break – Coffee and Snacks Sponsored by Wostmann Associates

10:45AM Visitor Industry

Ralph Samuels: Holland America Line Vice President, Government & Community Relations

Patti Mackey: Ketchikan Visitors Bureau President, CEO, & Southeast Alaska Tourism Council

11:45 AM Health Care

Matt Eisenhower: Healthcare & economic development by PeaceHealth Ketchikan Executive Director

Mining Luncheon: Southeast Opportunities and Responsibility In Action: Hosted by Constantine Mining

- 12:15 PM** **Deantha Crockett:** Executive Director of the Alaska Miners Association;

Liz Cornejo: Vice President, Community & External Affairs Constantine Mining

- 1:40 PM** Southeast Conference Board Candidates Introduction

- 1:45 PM** **Rick Caulfield** Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast: UAS and the region

1:55 PM Timber Industry Panel

Bryce Dahlstrom Vice President Viking Lumber, **Steve Seley** former Pacific Log and Lumber owner, **Frank Roppel** formerly Alaska Pulp Corporation, **Jim Clark** Timber Attorney

- 2:40 PM** **Anthony Mallott:** President and CEO, Sealaska. Economic Development in the Region.

2:55 PM 15 minute Break – Coffee and Snacks Sponsored by Visit Sitka/Sitka Chamber

3:10 PM Regional Planning

Video Greeting: **Senator Lisa Murkowski** welcomes Southeast Conference

Governor Frank Murkowski: Transportation and the economy

- 3:35 PM** **Ken Alper:** Tax Division Director, Alaska Department of Revenue

- 3:55 PM** **Christopher Mertl,** Corvus Design Landscape Architect: Strategic Land Use to Grow Local Economies

- 4:10 PM** **Alana Peterson:** Program Director for Spruce Root, Inc. & Sustainable Southeast Partnership (following her presentation, transportation back to hotels will be provided.)

6:00 PM Community Reception at Hotel Helsingland with Historic Pub Crawl

After hours activities sponsored by Haines CVB and the Haines Chamber of Commerce





Wednesday, September 20th
Harriett Hall, Southeast Alaska State Fairgrounds

7:15 AM Registration & Breakfast (Transportation provided from hotels) Sponsored by Life Med Alaska

7:15 AM Heat Pump Working Group

8:00 AM Polling Station Opens

8:00 AM **Transportation and the Alaska Marine Highway System**

Dennis Watson: Introduction by Southeast Conference Transportation Committee Chair

8:20 AM **Commissioner Marc Luiken:** Alaska Department of Transportation

8:40 AM **Captain John Falvey Jr.:** General Manager of the Alaska Marine Highway

9:00 AM AMHS Reform: Phase II Report: Elliott Bay Design Group, McDowell Group

10:00 AM 15 minute Break - Coffee and Snacks sponsored by The Grind Coffee Company

10:15 AM Strategic Business and Operations Plan for AMHS

11:00 AM **Panel of Past Presidents:** *Tom Briggs (Craig), Rosemary Hagevig (Juneau), Rob Allen (Sitka), Jon Bolling (Craig), Maxine Thompson (Angoon), Mike Korsmo (Skagway)*

11:30 AM **Legislative Leaders Panel:** *Senator Bert Stedman and Representative Sam Kito (confirmation pending for additional leaders)*

Noon **Lunch on your own.** *There will be a working lunch for the AMHS Reform Project on site. There will be a working lunch for the Solid Waste Authority at the Aspen Hotel. Transportation to Haines eateries will be provided, along with transportation back to the conference.*

1:45 PM **Seafood**

Julie Decker: Alaska's Mariculture Industry Tangible Indications of Growth by AFDF Director

2:05 PM *Joe Plesha Trident Seafoods Chief Legal Officer. Overview of the status of the seafood industry.*

2:35 PM **Action Oriented Southeast Alaska Arts Panel**

Sealaska Heritage Institute: Southeast as the Northwest Arts Capitol of the World: Rick Harris and Bobbie Meszaros. Building a Regional Arts and Culture Center: John Clough. Alaska Arts Confluence Carol Tuynman.

Polling Station Closes at 3:00 PM

3:15 PM 15 minute Break - Coffee and Snacks

3:30 PM **Workforce Development**

Doug Ward and Sierra Callis: Maritime workforce developments in our region and statewide: Director of Shipyard Development for Vigor Alaska

3:50 PM *Jim Bates CEO of Business Improvement Group, Inc., MAKE program partner*

4:05 PM *Susan Bell: Workforce Education and Training in Southeast Alaska*

4:20 PM *Haines Business Highlight - Solid Waste Authority/Haines Friends of Recycling*

4:35 PM AMHS Steering Committee meeting (Transportation back to hotels provided)

6:00 PM **Cocktail Hour**

Sponsored by AP&T



6:45 PM **Banquet & Auction** (Evening transportation provided)



Thursday, September 21st
American Bald Eagle Foundation

8:00 AM Registration & Breakfast (Transportation provided from hotels) Sponsored by Waste Management

8:00 AM Biomass working group



9:00 AM **Alaska Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott Keynote Breakfast Presentation**

9:30 AM **Energy**

Alec Mesdag: Electric vehicles in Southeast Alaska by the Director of Energy Service for AEL&P and SEC Energy Committee Chair

9:45 AM **Host Utility Updates:**

Jodi Mitchell Chief Executive Officer at Inside Passage Electric Cooperative

Michael Garret (invited) CEO Alaska Power & Telephone Company

10:00 AM **Devany Plentovich:** AK Energy Authority update

10:15 AM **Southeast Biomass Projects**

Karen Petersen Southeast Alaska Biomass Coordinator for Southeast Conference

Bob Deering, renewable energy coordinator for the Alaska region of the U.S. Forest Service

10:30 AM **Jessie Huff:** USDA Rural Development Energy Programs, Program Manager

10:45 AM 15 minute Break – Coffee and Snacks Sponsored by IPEC

11:00 AM **Robert Venables:** Energy Efficiency and southeast business energy audits

11:15 AM **Regional round-robin:** Project updates

11:30 AM Southeast Conference Annual Membership Business Meeting

12:30 PM Adjourn

5:30 PM **Ferry to Juneau Leaves (transportation provided, bus leaves downtown at 4PM)**



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