

**Statewide Suicide Prevention Council
Special Meeting, Teleconference
June 9, 2015**

Chairman Bill Martin called the meeting to order at 12:18 p.m. Martin asked for Kate Burkhart to Chair the meeting since the only agenda item is the Executive Committee Election.

Roll call was taken: Sharon Fishel, Barbara Franks, Bill Martin, Brenda Moore, Lowell Sage, , Cynthia Erickson, Senator Anna MacKinnon, Rep. Geran Tarr.

Absent: Meghan Crow, Alana Humphrey (excused), Senator Berta Gardner, Rep. Benjamin Nageak, Kathryn Casello, Alavini Lata, Al Wall.

Burkhart commented that a quorum had been reached. Burkhart read the current Executive Committee: Martin is Chair; Crow is Vice-Chair; Fishel is Secretary/Treasurer; and Franks is Member-at-Large. The election committee established at the last quarterly meeting talked to the Executive Committee members and others interested in serving on the committee and has put forth a slate of candidates. The slate includes Martin as Chair; Franks as Vice-Chair; Crow as Secretary/Treasurer; and Moore as Member-at-Large.

Fishel **moved** to have the slate approved to begin serving as the Executive Committee beginning Fiscal Year 2016 beginning on July 1, 2015. Sage **seconded** the motion.

Burkhart asked if there were any questions.

Rep. Tarr said Lata talked to Council members about the positions and they were open to changes. She commented that the election committee hopes Council members feel good about the slate of candidates.

Burkhart asked if there were any more questions or comments. Burkhart asked if there were any objection to the slate. Hearing none **the motion passed**.

Martin thanked everyone for their work and looks forward to the year ahead. He asked if anyone is going to the Juneau summit on June 18 and 19. It is part of the grant that the Juneau Suicide Prevention Coalition received from the Division of Behavioral Health. Approximately 130 people have registered for the event. Fishel commented that she is going.

Martin said they will have tables and so far there are about 15 organizations planning to have tables. He said the Council will be represented with a table.

Rep. Tarr asked if information on the Juneau summit could be sent to the Council. Morrison said he would send the information to Council members.

Moore said she is attending the Forget-Me-Not Coalition meetings, which is planning a gathering in the fall. She commented she is also part of a group arranging a clergy gathering on suicide prevention in Fairbanks.

Franks commented she is glad to hear about the gathering in Juneau. She asked if there is a list of names to call if participants need someone to talk to. Martin commented that there will be people available.

Moore **moved** to adjourn the meeting. Fishel **seconded** the motion. Hearing no objection the **meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.**