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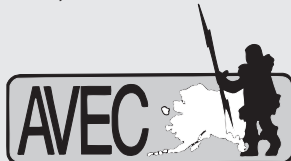
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Communities Served

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| Alakanuk | Nightmute |
| Ambler | Noatak |
| Andreafsky | Noorvik |
| Anvik | Nulato |
| Brevig Mission | Nunapitchuk |
| Chevak | Old Harbor |
| Eek | Pilot Station |
| Elim | Pitkas Point |
| Emmonak | Quinhagak |
| Gambell | Russian Mission |
| Goodnews Bay | St. Mary's |
| Grayling | St. Michael |
| Holy Cross | Savoonga |
| Hooper Bay | Scammon Bay |
| Huslia | Selawik |
| Kaltag | Shageluk |
| Kasigluk | Shaktoolik |
| Kiana | Shishmaref |
| Kivalina | Shungnak |
| Kotlik | Stebbins |
| Koyuk | Teller |
| Lower Kalskag | Togiak |
| Marshall | Toksook Bay |
| Mekoryuk | Tununak |
| Minto | Upper Kalskag |
| Mt. Village | Wales |
| New Stuyahok | |



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42nd Annual Meeting Outcomes

AVEC's 42nd Annual Meeting expected its highest ever turnout of delegates—75 in all—until the windstorms began in mid-March. As the storms grew in intensity, the airlines started canceling flights. Pretty soon, the number of delegates without confirmed flight arrangements began to grow. AVEC's travel agents worked around the clock as itineraries changed. Delegates drove snowmachines and four-wheelers to neighboring villages to catch flights.

When Tuesday, March 22, dawned, we had no idea if we would even have a quorum. But never underestimate the creativeness and persistence of our delegates—62 of them managed to get to Anchorage (some arriving as late as 1 a.m. for the 8 a.m. meeting) and we had a highly productive day of meetings.

This year, we had a great turnout of candidates for the two open board seats. Six of the nine candidates were neither delegates nor board members. They were dedicated, committed AVEC members who wanted to give back to the community by running for board membership. They all composed excellent letters of candidacy that were read to the delegates by nominating committee members Phyllis Clough (chair), Helena Jones and Julia Walker.

The candidates were:

- Kenny Morgan Sr. from Upper Kalskag
- Joseph Maillelle Sr. from Grayling
- Aaron Kameroff from Alakanuk
- Milton Cheemuk from St. Michael
- Angela Kamkoff from Emmonak
- Charles Rudstrom from Brevig Mission
- Norman Burgett from Huslia
- Robert Beans from Mt. Village
- Charlie Curtis from Kiana

The delegates re-elected Robert Beans and Charlie Curtis to serve additional three-year terms.

After the annual meeting, the board held its organizational meeting and elected officers for the coming year. They are:

- Charlie Curtis—Chairman
- Walter Sampson—Vice Chairman
- Phyllis Clough—Secretary
- Helena Jones—Treasurer

There is more about the annual meeting and the Top 10 Power Plant Operators for 2010 inside this edition of Ruralite. Please contact me at mkohler@avec.org if you would like additional information about anything, or if you have anything you would like to share. My door (both literal and virtual) is always open.

Until next time,

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