



## Board of Directors

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### Communities Served

Alakanuk	Mt. Village
Ambler	New Stuyahok
Andreafsky	Nightmute
Anvik	Noatak
Bethel	Noorvik
Brevig Mission	Nulato
Chevak	Nunapitchuk
Eek	Old Harbor
Ekwok	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
Kobuk	Stebbins
Kotlik	Teller
Koyuk	Togiak
Lower Kalskag	Toksook Bay
Marshall	Tununak
Mekoryuk	Upper Kalskag
Minto	Wales

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## Annual Meeting Overview

After weeks of good weather around the state, the fog set in for the week of our Annual Meeting, which occurred April 7 and 8. We expected our largest-ever gathering of delegates at 77 attendees, but only 66 attended. Seven delegates were unable to attend due to weather, one was disqualified due to misconduct and three were “no shows.”

The highlight of the Annual Meeting is always the several hours of “Suggestions for Improvement,” during which delegates share local matters related to their electric utility. The delegates learn from each other and inform the AVEC board and staff about needs, priorities and successes. Delegates receive feedback on issues raised at the Community Annual Meeting and soon will receive the notes from the session. Most issues are resolved on the spot. Others are addressed through future task orders.

Delegates elected three board members from a field of 10 excellent candidates: Phyllis Clough from Old Harbor; Peter Demoski from Nulato; John Horner from Kobuk; Darla Jemewouk from Elim; Helena Jones from Ambler; Angela Kamkoff from Emmonak; John Mark from Quinhagak; Albert Ningeulook from Shishmaref; Gene Peltola from Bethel; and Shirleen Wells from Noorvik. Phyllis Clough, Peter Demoski and Helena Jones were re-elected to the board of directors.

The AVEC membership voted by mail on a ballot measure to change the number of delegates chosen to represent each community. By an overwhelming vote in favor of the proposition, only one delegate from each community will attend future Annual Meetings. The delegates present also voted 63-3 to return to the membership the task of electing their board of directors. An important element in the board election process is to ensure that board members demonstrate the “widest possible geographic distribution” and that there be no more than one director from each AVEC community.

During the next year, we will put in place a nominating process for board candidates and set up the system for member voting. We hope to offer electronic voting as well. Stay tuned.

With the Annual Meeting behind us, we can now focus on what is sure to be a busy summer and construction season. I am writing this just before the end of the legislative session so we do not yet know what is going to emerge from Juneau. Next month, I will have a review of the session to share.

I hope your summer is full of sunshine and the bounty of land and sea!  
Until next time,

**Meera Kohler**  
President and CEO

