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Governance Body Meeting Agenda

November 4, 2026, 10:00 AM (Alaska Time)
Koniag Anchorage Office | JL Tower
3800 Centerpoint Drive, Seventh Floor
Anchorage, AK 99503

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call & Introductions
3. Safety Moment
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of **Minutes for July 29, 2026** Governance Body Meeting *Pending*

Old Business | N/A

New Business

6. Welcome Remarks
7. Project Updates
 1. Revolving Loan Fund (SEC, Spruce Root)
 - a. RLF Update: Jamey Young, SEC
 - b. New Farm Siting & Engineering Services Offered by Kelson Marine
 2. Governance, Coordination and Outreach (EDDs, AMA)
 - a. Compiled reports for July, August, and September 2026: Linked Below
Kenai; PWS; Southeast; Southwest (Kodiak) *Pending*
 - b. Mariculture Liaison Program Final Reports: Linked Below
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 - c. Governance Body Roundtable Discussion
 3. Workforce Development (UAA, UAF, UAS)
 - a. Missy Good, UAF Alaska Sea Grant
 - b. Angie Bowers, UAS Sitka
 4. Research and Development (ADFG, AFDF)
 - a. Alex Huller, AFDF
 - b. Seaweed Tissue Analysis Update: Spencer Serin, SCRC Consulting

Break for Lunch | Approximately 12:30 PM

U.S. EDA Representatives – Shirley Kelly, Frank Wessbecher *Invited*

5. Market Development (SEC)
 - a. Marketing Program: Katie Goldberg, Tastemaker Comms
6. Green Energy (AFDF) – Alex Huller, AFDF
7. Equipment and Technology (SEC, DEC)
 - a. Mariculture Equipment Program Update: Dan Lesh, SEC
 - b. Green Sea Urchin, Other Species Project: Brenda Konar, UAF
 - c. Grow Ketchikan Update: Markos Scheer, Seagrove
 - d. Gametophyte Banking & Breeding: Kelp Ark, Sergey Nuzhdin
 - e. Kachemak Shellfish Mariculture Association (KSMA) Update: Sean Crosby
8. Grant Administration (SEC)
 - a. Succession Planning: Sylvia Craig, McKinley Research Group
 - b. Report From Hosting Korean Fisheries & Kelp Researchers: Dan Lesh, SEC

Discussion Items

8. Should we host an Alaska Learning Trip, Inbound Buyer Missions, D.C. "Fly-in" Trip?
9. Upcoming Events:
 - a. Pacific Marine Expo / Alaska Symphony of Seafood | Nov. 19-21 | Seattle, WA
 - b. Biostimulant World Congress | Nov. 30 – Dec. 3 | Sacramento, CA
 - c. Mariculture Conference of Alaska | Mar. 15-18 | Ketchikan, AK
10. Public Comment
11. Next Governance Body meeting is TBD
12. Good of the Order
13. Adjourn