**14 November 2023 | AKSNA Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

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14 November 2023  
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. AKDT

The meeting is hosted on Zoom and is open to all members in good standing. To request the Zoom link and password, contact Gavin Northey, AKSNA President, by emailing president@aksna.org.

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

**Gavin**

**Voting Members**

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| Present | Name and Title |
| x | Gavin Northey, MBA, SNS, President \* |
| x | Tanya Dube, SNS, President-elect |
| x | Trevor Bridgewater, SNS, Treasurer and Past-President (2022-2023) † |
| x | Sandie Ponte, Secretary, and Past-President (2021-2022) |
| x | Carlos Perez, Chairman, Communications Committee |
| x | Susan Pougher, Chairwoman, Public Policy and Legislation |
| x | Tiffany Kurani, NDRT, Chairwoman, Nutrition Standards & Education Committee |
| x | Sue Lampert, Past-President (2020-2021) |

Quorum is established when five or more voting members are present  
\* The President votes only in the event of a tie  
† The immediate Past-President votes in the event that they hold another position with voting rights

**Non-voting Members**

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| Present | Name and Title |
| x | Tracy Hulett, Member At-large |
| x | Josh Fox |

**III. Adoption of Agenda**

**Sandie motioned to adopt Agenda as written, Trevor 2nd. No discussion. All in favor. Agenda adopted**

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**Tanya motioned to adopt Consent Agenda, Sandie 2nd. No discussion. All in favor. Consent agenda is adopted**

**A. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

[Minutes of the 17 October 2024 MeetingDownload](https://aksna.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/AKSNA-17-October-2023-minutes.docx)

**B. Financial Reports**

**C. Membership Report**

* 90 Members
  + Director: 15
  + Manager: 57
  + Employee 10
  + State Agency: 6
  + Retired: 2
* 4 in grace

**V. President’s Report**

Gavin Northey, MBA, SNS,

Plan of action due end of December. Sticking with pretty much the same plan of action. 2 people slated to go to LAC. Susan Pougher and Amy Rouse (sp?)

**VI. Treasurer’s Report**

Trevor Bridgewater, SNS

Statements for October: Savings $24,959.56. Checking: $41,734.91

Been busy in QuickBooks. Showing 24 vendors registered. About 1/3 have paid

Paid out for ALASBO for Tracey to go. $60 received in membership dues.

Gavin; possibly look into alternative to Wells Fargo

**VII. Standing Committee Reports**

**A. Public Policy & Legislation**

Susan Pougher

Filled out the paperwork and starting reading through the changes for the legislative fly in (LAC?) Will bring suggestions to December meeting.

**B. Member Services**

No chair yet. Would be nice to get more employees and Directors. It would make people eligible for awards.

**C. Communications**

Carlos Perez

**1. Mush On News**

Carolos Perez

Next Mush On is slated for January. Need submissions by Dec.8th. Switched from Word to Smores. It shows 111 members checked it out. Keep Mush On virtual for the present time. Tanya to send flyer for conference.

**2. Web Site**

Gavin Northey

Looking to move it to Seattle based server. Currently out of Dallas. Might make it faster.

**3. Social Media**

Trevor Bridgewater

Scheduled some Facebook posts about Conference, pod casts. Looking for items to post about local foods.

**D. Conference Committee**

Tanya Dube, SNS

Most of the slots are filled. .ICN is concerned about the 25 person minimum in class. Waiting to hear from SNA about Lead to Succeed. Many spots confirmed, health dept., State...Weaverly to do “Don’t take it for granted” Need silent auction items. Looking for $50 minimum. Also apron auction. Gavin set up catering. Still need to set up cocktail social. Pam Forbes wants to sponsor. Would also present. Nothing scheduled for Thursday morning at this point. Maybe use gift cards for Lyft or Uber for rides for cocktail social. Theresa Wilson doing Servsafe. Ordering books and tests. Gift card for her. Put on the agenda for next month vendors presentations.

**E. Food and Vendor Expo Committee**

Gavin Northey, MBA, SNS

Everything looking good. Registration should be open Wednesday or Thursday. Following up on leads for social.

**F. Nutrition Standards & Education Committee**

Tiffany Kurani, NDRT

Nothing to add. Started SNS study group.

**VIII. Ad-hoc Committee Reports**

**A. Contract Executive Director Committee**

This committee has been tabled until February 2024

**B. Awards & Recognition Committee**

This committee needs a chairperson

**IX. Member Comments and Testimony**

**X. Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business

**XI. New Business**

Trevor; Gavin nominated for board of directors, national. Gavin recused himself. Trevor motioned for AKSNA to submit a letter of recommendation for Gavin Northey SNA directors committee. Carlos 2nd. Discussion; Trevor asks if elected will it impact his ability to serve on AKSNA board? Gavin; Signed conflict of interest form. If elected, would not be able to serve on the board, but his term ends in July. Need to have someone else be registered agent. Tanya; can you serve as advisory? Yes, non-voting role. All in favor. Motion passes.

**XII. Announcements / Good of the Order**

Gavin; Meals to You. Ended September 30th. USDA visited Alaska. Went to villages. Alaska to apply to establish its own program. Ask FNS for new cost study that reflect costs in rural Alaska. Last one was based on Anchorage.

**XIII. Adjournment** Gavin adjourned meeting at 3:08

The next meeting will be 19 December 2023