

ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH TRUST AUTHORITY

FULL BOARD MEETING

May 8, 2019

8:09 a.m.

Taken at:

**Wedgewood Resort
212 Wedgewood Drive
Fairbanks, Alaska**

Trustees Present:

Mary Jane Michael, Chair
Paula Easley
Chris Cooke
Laraine Derr
John Sturgeon
Ken McCarty

Trust Staff Present:

Mike Abbott
Katie Baldwin-Johnson
Kelda Barstad
Alison Biastock
Mike Baldwin
Eric Boyer
Jimael Johnson
Steve Williams
Miri Smith-Coolidge
Andy Stemp
Travis Welch

Trust Land Office:

Wyn Menefee
Jusdi Doucet
Sarah Morrison
Marisol Miller
Aaron O'Quinn

Also participating:

Patrick Reinhart; Kristin Vandagriff; Lesley Thompson; Bev Schoonover; Sean Roy; John Regitano; Brenda Stanfill; Linda Setterberg.

PROCEEDINGS

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR MICHAEL called the meeting to order and began with roll call. She acknowledged the trustees that were present and stated that Trustee Boerner is not online yet. She moved to approval of the agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the agenda by TRUSTEE COOKE; seconded by TRUSTEE STURGEON.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

CHAIR MICHAEL stated that the review of the Guiding Principles was in the packet.

ETHICS DISCLOSURES

CHAIR MICHAEL asked for any Ethics Disclosures. There being none, she moved to the approval of the minutes of January 3, 2019, and then the minutes of January 30 and 31, 2019.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the minutes of January 3, 2019, by TRUSTEE DERR; seconded by TRUSTEE McCARTY.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the minutes of January 30 and 31, 2019, by TRUSTEE DERR; seconded by TRUSTEE COOKE.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

BOARD ELECTIONS

CHAIR MICHAEL stated that the current bylaws are in the packet. She continued that there were two committee chair vacancies with Carlton Smith and Jerome Selby leaving. In the interim, she appointed Paula Easley chair of the Resource Management Committee, and Laraine Derr as the chair of the Finance Committee. She added that typically at the fall meeting, which is at the end of August, board elections are held. At that time it is the chair's responsibility to appoint new chairs for the committees. She talked about the board elections and stated that there is going to be a big transition next year at this time. There is a need to be thinking about the succession planning and it is important to make sure everyone has the opportunity to fully engage the best they can. She went through the Article 5 section of the bylaws, Officers and Duties; and then Section 3.

TRUSTEE COOKE added that "Except for the chair, if an office of the board becomes vacant, an election shall be held to fill the vacancy at the next regular board meeting following the vacancy." He stated that Jerome Selby was vice chair, and Carlton Smith was secretary. There are two vacancies in those offices.

CHAIR MICHAEL opened the nominations for vice chair.

TRUSTEE STURGEON nominated Chris Cooke as vice chair.

CHAIR MICHAEL asked for any other nominations three times. There being no other nominations, Trustee Chris Cooke was elected as vice chair. She opened the nomination for secretary.

TRUSTEE DERR nominated John Sturgeon as secretary.

CHAIR MICHAEL asked for any other nominations three times. Hearing none, Trustee John Sturgeon was elected as secretary. She stated that the next item on the agenda is the Mission Moment.

MISSION MOMENT

MS. BALDWIN-JOHNSON introduced Hannah Hill, the executive director of Bread Line, Inc., which is a nonprofit serving Fairbanks for more than 20 years and is a community partner that has been serving Trust beneficiaries for many years. She stated that the agency provides four primary programs including the Stone Throw's Culinary Training Program for which the Trust provides funding for in aligning with key beneficiary employment and engagement focus areas. She continued that Ms. Hill and guest will offer an overview of the work for today's Mission Moment, and they have offered to open their doors for a site visit today.

MS. HILL introduced Terry James, a graduate of the Stone's Throw program. She stated that the Bread Line is a 501(c)3 nonprofit and has been serving the Fairbanks area since 1984. They are currently housed in Downtown Fairbanks at 507 Gaffney Road. She continued that the Bread Line is the umbrella for four separate projects which are all different anti-hunger programs. The Stone Soup Café is the local soup kitchen that has been running since 1984, the longest serving program. She added that in 2018 over 30,000 hot free meals were served to the hungry neighbors. It is a low-limit facility with neither sobriety or work requirements to come in and get a meal. The only requirement is kindness to yourself and others. The café operates five days a week, Monday through Friday, no matter inclement weather or holidays. She stated there is also a kids 'café. That is a family program with a volunteer initiative to teach kids what food insecurity looks like specifically in our community and how they can help. The children and their families come in once a month and help make food for the following week for the Stone Soup Café. She continued that they also partner with the Fairbanks Children's Museum; they come and bring a craft. In the summer there is a community garden which provides an influx of very fresh food directly into the café. The surplus is given to assisted-living facilities in Downtown Fairbanks. She explained that they are a rising member of Catalyst Kitchens which has over 60 member organizations nationwide. The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority helped the Bread Line launch this program five years ago and has been a sustained supporter throughout the entire time. FareStart is a nonprofit organization based out of Seattle that is a job placement and training program that benefits homeless and otherwise disadvantaged people. It gives them job skills training as well as life skills. This is how Catalyst Kitchens was created. It is a social impact program and an economic engine for nonprofits. The Stone's Throw program is tuition-based, but also does catering to bring money back in as well as realtime life and job-skill experiences. In 2018 there were eight graduates from two separate classes. Both classes had 100 percent employment within a month of graduation. She added that many of the students go on to

post-secondary education. She stated that Terry James graduated in the December 2017 class, which was an exceptional class. She asked him for any comments.

MR. JAMES stated that he was thankful to be here. He continued that, currently, he is in the culinary school at Hutchinson to further his education and gain more certifications in different fields. He added that he should be completed with that in 2020. He stated that Stone's Throw really encouraged him with furthering his career and is very happy to be associated with them. He thanked all for their support.

MS. HILL stated that they do catering and sometimes need graduates with more skill sets. Terry is one of those, and helps with Chef at the Market at the Tanana Valley. That is going in, grabbing produce, and showing everyone how to cook it. She continued that the Bread Line works to feed people so, in their lives, it can be a catalyst for change for good in the community which is made possible by the support from organizations like the Trust.

CHAIR MICHAEL thanked Ms. Hill, and stated that it was a great presentation.

(Applause.)

STAFF REPORT

CHAIR MICHAEL stated that next on the agenda is the Staff Report and recognized Mike Abbott.

MR. ABBOTT stated that Trustee Boerner is unable to participate remotely because of commitments but will be joining online for the portions of the meeting that are tomorrow afternoon. He moved to an update on what was going on with the Legislature and stated that the admin budgets for the Trust and the TLO teams look like they are virtually fully intact. There were small reductions made to comply with the Governor's travel reduction initiative which are not expected to affect either the TLO or Trust Authority. He stated that there is a lot of uncertainty regarding the programmatic budgets. The Conference Committee is just getting started, which is pretty late in the process. That is largely rooted in the fact that the House did not organize until about Day 35. The items that are susceptible to change would have to do with some of the capital items that were recommended General Fund spending in deferred maintenance and transportation support, as well as a few other areas. He continued to the Medicaid program which is primarily determined by the Administration, and the appropriation does not drive the actual outcomes. He added that discussion may make a big difference in terms of how the beneficiaries are served by Medicaid in FY20. He moved to Criminal Justice Reform and stated that it is beginning to look a bit clearer that significant portions of the original criminal justice reform package that had been developed over the last four or five years will be rolled back. It is incumbent to keep the pressure on the Department of Law, the Department of Corrections to maintain and to rebuild commitments to support the beneficiaries in the criminal justice system. He reported that the sale of the Subport parcel in Juneau is in the active phase of marketing. There is a website dedicated to that project specifically with a communications plan that is being done internally using Northwest Strategies. He talked about the term "block grant" which would be a big policy that would essentially change the way that Medicaid would work for the Medicaid expansion population. He explained this in detail restating that the Legislature will be contemplating this over the interim and during the calendar 2020 legislative session. He added that Governor Dunleavy believes that Medicaid as it is currently structured is not

sustainable for the State of Alaska going forward. He has been very clear and very consistent on that. He moved to housing and homelessness and talked about the announcements on two multi-million-dollar private commitments of funds to work on Anchorage and to a degree Alaska homelessness issues that will soon be made public. In large part, the Trust's active support for housing and homelessness solutions is one of the reasons for this commitment. That is an excellent example of how Trust money can help leverage significantly greater contributions from other partners. He continued that staff is actively working to provide a facility in Anchorage where Choices and the Alaska Consumer Web can relocate. He moved to the need to likely amend the Trust's FY20 budget, but better information is needed. He expects active consideration of reductions in the State budget that will affect Trust spending, and budget adjustments.

CHAIR MICHAEL moved to the Updates from the statutory advisory groups.

STATUTORY ADVISORY GROUP UPDATES

MS. SCHOONOVER stated that it will be done altogether and introduced herself as the acting executive director of the Alaska Mental Health Board, the Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, and the State Suicide Prevention Council.

MS. THOMPSON stated that she is the planner for the Alaska Commission on Aging filling in. She has been with the Commission for about 12 years, loves her job, and the Trust funds her position.

MR. REINHART stated that he is the executive director of the Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education.

MS. VANDAGRIFF stated that she is a planner with the Council.

MS. THOMPSON mentioned that, in addition to the Friday teleconference calls, the Commission on Aging has been doing a senior legislative teleconference every other Thursday where seniors and people who work with seniors and are interested in seniors come and talk about advocacy issues for seniors, many of which are Trust beneficiaries.

MS. SCHOONOVER stated that the Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education, the Commission on Aging, the Trust and her advisory boards worked together to forward legislative priorities that affect Trust beneficiaries. Each board has their own legislative advocacy committee and did some educational outreach to new legislators on areas concerning beneficiaries. She talked about some bills that caused joint concern and were currently moving; and then went over some jointly advocated bills that are not moving.

MS. THOMPSON moved to HB 96 and stated that the Governor put into his budget to increase the rates to make the Pioneer Homes self-sustaining, which has caused a lot of problems for seniors. Many have moved out of the Pioneer Homes because they figured that they will be kicked out. She continued that HB 96 kind of slows down the speed of the increase in fees, but then the budget will need some additional funds next session.

MR. REINHART talked about the coordinated transportation and stated that if the State has not

put the million dollars into this then it is a great idea that the Trust just do the grant because what the State has done when they manage the money it that they take 10 percent off the top admin fee. The other part is when the money is put with the State it is held to a standard of a federal transit authority level grant. Those standards are high and do not allow for a huge amount of creativity in the use of those funds. He moved on to anticipated impacts on beneficiaries and talked about some of the major concerns.

MS. SCHOONOVER moved into the Advisory Board Updates. The Statewide Suicide Prevention Council has two bills, and if SB 10 does not get passed, the Council work will end on June 30th. She stated that there are seven board seats up for ABADA in July, and five board seats up for the Mental Health Board in December. Pending approval, there will be a board meeting in the Kenai/Soldotna area September 24 to 26.

MR. REINHART gave a Council member update and talked about the six board members terms being up. He stated that five of them want to continue and are now waiting to see what that outcome will be. He added that he will be retiring as of July 1st, and Kristin Vandagriff's name has been put forward by the Executive Committee to the Council as the new ED.

MS. VANDAGRIFF thanked Mr. Reinhart for everything he has done in his life of public service. He has been an awesome mentor, friend and a true leader. She moved to the Alaska Transition Handbook that was put out and the Trust heavily helped with the funding for printing. She continued her update.

CHAIR MICHAEL called a 15-minute break.

(Break.)

CHAIR MICHAEL reconvened the meeting and moved to any questions from the trustees.

TRUSTEE McCARTY asked a number of clarifying questions about Pioneer House and assisted living homes; how they are funded and if Medicaid waivers were involved.

MS. BARSTAD, program officer for the Trust, replied that the assisted-living homes are not directly funded by the Trust aside from an occasional new startup for innovative programs. She replied, clarified and explained how Pioneer Homes worked with a more independent living structure for level 1. Level 2 is viewed as a typical assisted-living-type of service that assists with people's activities of daily living. Level 3 adds more nurse time and structured staff time to support people with dementia symptoms that need more supervision, cueing and monitoring.

MS. SCHOONOVER noted that the 1115 waiver allows the State to do demonstration projects. The whole 1115 was predicated on if additional preventive services and screenings were needed then the emergency room services would be reduced. The entire equation for the federal cost neutrality is based on that.

CHAIR MICHAEL asked for any other questions. There being none, she acknowledged the service of Patrick Reinhart and all he has done to advise the Mental Health Trust over the years. She has had the pleasure of knowing him for a long time, and stated that he is a champion in terms of services for the people. It is not professional for him; it is totally personal.

TRUSTEE DERR followed up on the letter from Sydney that was not very nice to Mr. Reinhart. She added that, at one time, she was not very nice to Mr. Reinhart. For some time she tried to get rid of him but, fortunately, he survived. She thanked Patrick Reinhart of his survivorship and had enjoyed getting to know him over the years.

MR. WILLIAMS spoke for both current and past Trust staff that worked closely with Mr. Reinhart and stated that the words "advocacy," "mentor," "networker," "passion" are all things that come to mind for what he had done for beneficiaries his entire career. One phrase he always enjoyed from Mr. Reinhart was: "Well, let's just do it and see what happens." He continued that he had learned a lot both in terms of understanding the developmental disability community from a legislative advocacy level and enjoyed the personal, professional relationship that we have had for several years. He thanked Mr. Reinhart.

MR. ABBOTT stated that he and Mr. Reinhart had come up through the Anchorage School District together and he has learned a lot from him. He said, in the most complimentary way possible that Patrick Reinhart is a schemer and is a problem-solving guy. That the State attracted someone with that kind of skill set, attitude and passion is a credit to the State, the Administration and to the Governor's Council. He thanked him.

MR. REINHART thanked everyone.

(Applause.)

(Break.)

CHAIR MICHAEL moved to the Finance Committee and recognized Trustee Derr.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

TRUSTEE DERR stated that she had a motion to bring forth in regard to settling the legislative audit and the final throes of making the changes that were recommended by the legislative audit report last year. She asked Trustee Michael to read the motion.

MOTION: The Finance Committee recommended that the Full Board of Trustees authorize the transfer of \$41,300,00 from the budget reserve to the Mental Health Trust Fund. In combination with this transfer, the seven properties identified as real estate investments will be designated as long-term investments within the budget reserve. Proceeds from any subsequent sale of these properties will flow into the budget.

TRUSTEE DERR stated that the motion does not need a second having come from the Finance Committee. She asked Andrew Stemp to begin the discussion.

MR. STEMPE stated that there had been a rather extensive discussion in the previous Finance Committee meeting that walked through the background. He continued that this additional document is a very helpful recommendation that was received from one of the partner boards and acknowledged their input. They requested that an explanation be provided that walked through the different amounts referenced in the special audit report, and to tie that amount back to the

proposed transfer. He put the supplement to the Finance Committee report together, and for the record and minutes, summarized this in saying the special audit report has an amount in the beginning of the report of \$44.4 million as the total amount of principal that was identified in the first summary section. It explained that the principal was spent by the Trust to accomplish three different tasks. Investments in commercial real estate that was invested in program-unrelated real estate, and then invested in natural resource development projects were made. He clarified that the actual recommendation from the legislative audit report had no recommendation about reimbursing the Trust Fund for the \$39.5 million invested in the seven commercial real estate properties. That came from the Finance Committee to refund the amount of principal that would have otherwise been sent to the Trust Fund. He continued that there is a specific recommendation, No. 2, dealing with program-related real estate that recommends the Trust Fund be reimbursed for \$1.8 million. That was discussed in the previous meeting, and was added to the amount for the commercial real estate. Those two numbers add up to \$41.3 million, which is the amount of the proposed transfer. He added that the remaining difference between the \$44.4 million and the proposed transfer of \$41.3 million is the amount that was used for natural-resource development projects. The audit report was silent on that particular topic, and no recommendations for board considerations are being made about that amount.

TRUSTEE COOKE asked if any legal opinions were received from the Department of Law.

MR. ABBOTT replied no, the Department of Law characterizes the issues raised in the audit as primarily policy or politics rather than legal. He stated that the important signal that is being sent by adopting or supporting this motion is that within a year or less of the audit's release, the most significant findings in it have been addressed.

TRUSTEE COOKE stated that, for any future review, that the record is clear that this is what is being done. A wide range of other alternatives have been considered and, for various reasons, were found to be impractical and not in the best interest of the Trust and its beneficiaries.

TRUSTEE DERR stated that the motion is before the Full Board of Trustees, and asked for the vote.

TRUSTEE COOKED asked about the comments from the partner boards.

MR. ABBOTT replied that the Commission on Aging has stated its position, and Mr. Reinhart shared the Governor's Council's position.

MS. SCHOONOVER stated that the statutory advisory boards are concerned about this regulation change. It is a new piece of information and would like to have more information on it. She wanted to know what authority there is when those properties are sold and is not sure about moving forward with this action. She added that her board wants to comment and did not have enough time. She continued that the decisions that were made that led to the audit, which found that the law was not quite followed, regardless of intent, and were made by trustees. She added there is some confusion with this regulation change, and there are more things that need to be shared.

CHAIR MICHAEL thanked all and asked for any other comments.

TRUSTEE COOKE suggested that with a motion of this magnitude that a roll-call vote is in order.

ROLL CALL VOTE: TRUSTEE EASLEY, yes; TRUSTEE McCARTY, yes; TRUSTEE STURGEON, yes; TRUSTEE COOKE, yes; TRUSTEE DERR, yes; TRUSTEE MICHAEL, yes; TRUSTEE BOERNER, excused.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

TRUSTEE DERR concluded the Finance Committee report.

ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY UPDATE

MR. ABBOTT stated that the Asset Management Policy Statement is the guiding document for the way the cash and noncash assets are managed. This is how the trustees set their expectations so that staff at the TLO and the Trust Authority move forward, and it is an important thing. He continued that it also ties back to the legislative audit in that there was a specific recommendation in the audit that the AMPS be evaluated; or that the Trust take the opportunity to consider changes to the AMPS in light of some of the concerns that the audit raised related to the investment approach.

MR. STEMPEL began with the background and history of these documents and laid everything out. He stated that they are designed and intended to be tools that will help the trustees with decision-making and management of the Trust resources. The Trust has a responsibility to the beneficiaries of today in meeting their needs. At the same time, there is also a responsibility for future beneficiaries, including beneficiaries yet to be born. How those responsibilities are balanced and managed are key factors in the investment decision-making, in the resource decision-making. He continued that the Asset Management Policy Statement is the management plan for all of the assets entrusted to the board. He moved to the resource management strategy, which is kind of the management plan that the TLO has developed to implement and execute on the directions within the AMPS. He added that the optimal situation is to have these documents working together and having a strong coordination between the two bodies of information. In his presentation, there is a very specific reference to 11 AAC 99, which is the statutory authority for this and some bullets that describe the broad range of resources that fall within this area. One important point is to see these documents become well-worn in being frequently used and referred to. He empathized the idea that they should be living documents and be reviewed and adjusted as the circumstances change. They should be relevant both from where they were 25 years ago and a resource now. He talked about Callan, an independent adviser that reviewed the policies, provided input, and brought up the best practices. This firm is independent of any large financial institution; they are completely responsive and act in the best interest of their clients. They have a long relationship with the Permanent Fund and with the Alaska Retirement Management Board, and staff feels very confident that any of their recommendations will be based on the highest possible industry standards. He added that there is a timetable laid out for the August meeting with the Finance Committee. Callan will have a staffperson walk through a proposed set of revisions or updates for committee consideration with a goal to consider, gather feedback, and take action at the September full board meeting. He then went over the long-term benefits.

CHAIR MICHAEL stated that was a great presentation and was excited about how it was integrated with the Comprehensive Mental Health Plan. She added that it pulls the organization together. She moved to the Resource Management Committee Report.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

TRUSTEE EASLEY reported that at the April 17th meeting the CEO gave an in-depth update of the activities of the TLO that included three consultations that went to the committee for concurrence and were all adopted. She stated that the first one was an aggressive statewide competitive lease offering in Southcentral, Northern Alaska, and Southeastern. The parcels are commercial and recreational and designed to work within each other. The second consultation was the sale of four lots in the Mat-Su Subdivision with the potential for bringing in about \$350,000. The third one is the 10-year lease of renewal for Capital Community Broadcasting, Inc. in Juneau which will bring in \$3 million over ten years, and is subject to renewal. She continued that there is board action required on items that relate to the real estate program and PRI budgets. She explained that the Trust has an obligation to manage the property it owns and has determined the amount of the budget that is required to do that. Generally, the facility management costs come from the building rents and other income collected from the properties. In the case of Cordova Street, where the TLO office is, cash flow from the building generally cover it. In this case, it did not cover all the expenses. These three motions will allow the TLO to collect approximately \$13.3 million in gross revenue from the property rents.

MOTION: The Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees authorizes the incremental building expenditures totaling \$10,010,000 budgeted for fiscal year 2020 to be paid by the property manager from rents and other income collected.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

MOTION: The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees authorizes funding expenditures for the noninvestment program-related real estate and REMP real estate Trust-funded properties in the amount of \$845,000 for fiscal year 2020, which appropriation shall not lapse. That is in the TLO budget.

MR. MENEFFEE clarified that \$845,000 was from the central facility fund.\

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

MOTION: The third motion concerns the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees to authorize the CFO to transfer up to \$845,000 to the third-party property manager as requested by the TLO for capital improvements to the noninvestment program-related real estate and REMP real estate Trust-funded properties.

TRUSTEE COOKE clarified that No. 2 authorizes the expenditures and No. 3 provides the money for that expenditure.

There being no objection, the MOTION was approved.

TRUSTEE EASLEY concluded the Resource Management Committee Report.

CHAIR MICHAEL recessed the meeting.

(Lunch break and site visits.)

PUBLIC COMMENT

CHAIR MICHAEL thank everyone form the community for coming for public comment and went through the few protocol rules that are followed for public comment. She recognized John Regitano.

MR. REGITANO thanked the Trust for coming to Fairbanks and introduced himself as the executive directory for Family-Centered Services of Alaska. He held that position for 20 years and has been in Fairbanks since 1971. He thanked the board, the Mental Health Trust, and, in particular, the CEO Mike, for the letter he wrote to Commissioner Crum addressing the Trust's concerns with regard to behavioral health cuts that are still being talked about today in the Legislature. It was really good to see the Trust step up and make it clear that the cuts at this time, until the 1115 waiver is sorted out, are extremely harmful for all agencies and, in particular, the small ones. Quite frankly, many of them could be forced out of business. He added that, in the past the Trust was not as vocal as the providers would have likes and this was a clear, strong message. Thank you. He introduced the Family-Centered Services of Alaska to the trustees. It is the largest nonprofit provider for children's services in the state. He is not aware of all the service providers of the Native health organization which may be larger, but are different. He stated that they are nationally accredited with about 225 employees. They also operate 30 facilities that provide services to kids: 14 in Fairbanks, and 16 in the Valley. Nineteen of those facilities were designed specifically for the services and were built by us. He added that most of the funding is private. He thanked the Trust again.

CHAIR MICHAEL thanked Mr. Regitano and recognized Brenda Stanfill.

MS. STANFILL thanked all for coming to Fairbanks and for their incredible service sitting on the Trust board. She sits on the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission and discovered that there is work behind the title. She began with the Interior Alaska Center for Nonviolent Living, which is a victim service agency in the Fairbanks area. It was a rape crisis center that worked into a domestic violence rape crisis center that then morphed into a housing for folks having a difficult time, which is where we found the beneficiaries. Four years ago they were approached about getting into the reentry work, and after thinking about it, it made sense to go into this area. She found that a lot of people want to work in the area of reentry. They want to make a difference in the area of people's lives that are coming back into the community where the communities will be healthier. She stated appreciation for the Trust's tremendous support, and thanked them for the commitment to all of the issues that make a difference for those most vulnerable among us.

CHAIR MICHAEL thanked Ms. Stanfill and recognized Linda Setterberg.

MS. SETTERBERG stated that she is the reentry coalition coordinator for Fairbanks. She shared some of her story about her son with bipolar disorder and believes that young men and women with mental illness should not be incarcerated. Today is the final day of peer support training,

and there were 18 people who shared their stories and will graduate tomorrow as forensic peer support specialists. Some of them will be employment specialists and work with people that come out of incarceration who have opioid-use disorder or are at risk for that. She invited all to the graduation tomorrow at Bread Line, Stone Soup Café, and the open house at the new location at 400 Cushman Street. She thanked the trustees for their support and the Trust for funding her position and making it possible to do what she is passionate about.

CHAIR MICHAEL thanked Ms. Setterberg and asked for anyone online that would like to testify. There being no callers, she closed public comment, and recessed the meeting.

(The Full Board Meeting recessed at 4:52 p.m.)