

# NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

## Minutes: Regular Meeting No. 56

Iqaluit, May 27-29, 2008

### Members and Staff Participating:

Harry Flaherty	A/Chairperson
Robert Moshenko	Member
Kevin McCormick	Member
Peter Awa	Member
Makabe Nartok	Member
Joannie Ikkidluak	Member
Willie Nakoolak	Member
Pitseolak Alainga	Member
Jim Noble	Chief Operating Officer
Tom Demcheson	Director of Finance and Admin
Joe Justus	Director of Wildlife Management
Adam Schneidmiller	Wildlife Administrative Biologist
Michael d'Eça	NWMB Legal Advisor
Evie Amagoalik	Interpreter
Jacopoosie Peter	Interpreter
Adele Jones	Stenographer

### Not Available:

Joe Tigullaraq	Chairperson/CEO
Pitseolak Alainga	Member

### Other Participants at Various Times:

Paul Irngaut	NTI, Rankin Inlet
Bert Dean	NTI, Rankin Inlet
Glenn Williams	NTI, Iqaluit
Siu-ling Han	EC, Iqaluit
Keith Pelley	DFO, Iqaluit
Sandra Courchesne	DFO, Iqaluit
Amy Liu	DFO, Iqaluit
Holly Cleator	DFO, Winnipeg
Graham White	U of T, Toronto

### 1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

## **2. Opening Remarks**

The Chairperson welcomed the members, staff and guests to the 56<sup>th</sup> meeting of the NWMB in Iqaluit. It was noted that a number of evening session might be necessary during the week.

## **3. Agenda: Review and Approval**

The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-048**) to approve the agenda as presented.

## **4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Kevin McCormick noted that he is subject to the Post Employment Code of Conduct for federal government employees. He will recuse himself from NWMB consideration of any issues brought forward by Environment Canada, until 18 April 2009.

## **5. Minutes of Meetings: Review and Approval**

No minutes were presented for approval.

## **6. Financial and Administrative Business**

### **6. A Year-end Variance Report**

The Director of Finance and Administration noted that the variance report for 01 April 2008 to 22 May 2008 was included in the meeting binder instead of the year-end variance report. The initial budget line item allocations were noted but there was limited further budget information to consider at this point in the fiscal year.

### **7. Chairperson, Staff and Members' Report**

No report was tabled.

#### **7. A Chief Operating Officer Report**

A summary of activities from 01 December 2007 to 30 May 2008 and priority issues for the next quarter were presented.

#### **7. B Director, Finance and Administration Report**

A summary of activities from 01 January 2008 to 16 May 2008 and priority issues for the next quarter were presented.

#### **7. C Director, Wildlife Management Report**

A summary of activities from 19 November 2007 to 16 May 2008 and priority issues for the next quarter were presented.

## **7. D Legal Advisor Report**

A summary of activities from 20 November 2007 to 19 May 2008 and priority issues for the next quarter were presented.

## **7. E Member Reports and Concerns**

Peter Awa voiced a concern about the honoraria rates associated with conference calls. It was noted that honoraria rates have been a NWMB concern for a long time and that Board staff will continue to voice these concerns with INAC.

## **8. Assignments: Progress, Review and Discussion**

The status of past assignments was not reviewed.

## **9. Environment Canada – Canadian Wildlife Service**

### **9. A Management Plan for Harlequin Duck**

The Harlequin Duck (Eastern Population) was listed as Special Concern in 2001. A national management plan is due to be posted on the SARA public registry by June 2008. In December 2007, the NWMB deferred a decision on the plan until a copy of the plan was submitted in Inuktitut. It was confirmed that the listing would not restrict Inuit harvesting of this species. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-049**) to approve the management plan.

### **9. B Peregrine Falcon: Proposed Listing under SARA**

The Peregrine Falcon was assessed as 'Special Concern' by COSEWIC in May 2007. Under SARA, there is no requirement to restrict harvesting or regulate the habitat of a species listed as Special Concern. A management plan must be developed for the species within three years of it being listed under SARA. EC has contacted the relevant communities and will report back on the consultations in due course.

### **9. C Red Knot: Proposed Listing under SARA**

Two distinct races of this species occur in Nunavut. The 'islandica' subspecies occurs on the islands north of Lancaster Sound whereas the 'rufa' subspecies occurs in the central Arctic including Victoria Island and Southampton Island. The 'islandica' subspecies was assessed as 'Special Concern' and the 'rufa' subspecies was assessed as 'Endangered' in May 2007.

Under SARA, the rufa subspecies (Endangered) will require a recovery strategy and action plan within one year of the listing. It will also be necessary to identify and protect the critical habitat for this subspecies.

Environment Canada has contacted the communities within the species' range and will report on the results of consultation at the next meeting.

#### **9. D Ross's Gull: Proposed Listing under SARA**

Little is known about Ross's Gull in the Canadian Arctic. EC collected community knowledge on this species around southern Baffin Island in 2000 and in the High Arctic in 2001 and 2004. A new colony was found in Penny Strait in 2005. A recovery strategy for this species was approved by the NWMB in January 2007.

The status of Ross's Gull was confirmed as 'Threatened' by COSEWIC in April 2007. As there is no change in status, there is no recommendation required by the Minister and decision required by Governor in Council. It is EC's view that further approvals are not required from the NWMB. The NWMB holds an alternate view that any reassessment constitutes a decision. As such, it should be subject to review and approval by the NWMB. The NWMB will make this position known to the federal Minister of Environment.

#### **9. E Snow Goose: Season Dates and Bag Limits**

Snow Goose hunting seasons and bag limits have been liberalized in many parts of Canada to increase harvest and reduce goose numbers. EC is seeking changes to the Regulations (for non-beneficiaries) in Nunavut which would increase hunting opportunities, make the Regulations consistent with the rest of Canada and potentially create opportunities for outfitting by Inuit. The changes would be made in accordance with section 23.1 of the Migratory Bird Regulations which deals with overabundant species.

The following changes were recommended:

	Current	Proposed
Fall Season Date	01 Sept. – 08 Dec.	15 Aug. – 08 Dec.
Spring Season Date	01 May – 07 June	No Change
Daily limit for Canadian Hunters	15 geese per day	20 geese per day
Possession limit for Canadian Hunters	No possession limit	No possession limit
Daily limit for non-residents	Five geese per day	20 geese
Possession limit for non-residents	10 geese	80 snow geese

All three RWOs have agreed to the proposed changes in the Regulations. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-050**) to approve the proposed changes.

## **9. F Short-eared Owl: Proposed Listing under SARA**

In April 2008, COSEWIC assessed the Short-eared Owl as a species of Special Concern. The Short-eared Owl is not thought to be common in Nunavut but a small number probably breed in the Kitikmeot or southern Kivalliq Regions. In August 2008, COSEWIC will formally notify the Minister of Environment of its assessment. EC will formally provide the NWMB with the reasons for the COSEWIC assessment at the NWMB meeting in the fall 2008.

## **9. G Polar Bear: Proposed Listing under SARA**

A revised polar bear status report was reviewed by COSEWIC in April 2008. COSEWIC recommended that polar bears be listed as one species. Although some populations are in decline and climate change is an apparent threat to the long-term survival of the species, other subpopulations are stable or increasing. As available information does not meet the COSEWIC criteria for designation as 'Threatened', the species was listed as 'Special Concern.' EC will formally provide the NWMB with the COSEWIC assessment at its meeting in Fall 2008.

## **10. Fisheries and Oceans**

### **10. A Shrimp Stock Assessment Survey: 2008**

The Northern Shrimp Research Foundation (NSRF) in partnership with DFO is assessing the northern and striped shrimp resources in waters adjacent to Nunavut. Three surveys (2005-2007) have been conducted in the SFA2 and Resolution Island study areas. The NSRF has met all of its reporting, licence and membership requirements for the past surveys. The NSRF is seeking support to conduct another stock assessment survey in 2008. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-051**) to support the fourth year of the stock assessment survey in the waters adjacent to and within the NSA.

### **10. B Shrimp By-catch in Shrimp Fishing Areas 2 and 3**

The northern shrimp fishery is based primarily on *Pandalus borealis* (pink or northern shrimp). *Pandalus montagui*, a less commercially important species, is fished in the Hudson Strait area, particularly in waters adjacent to Resolution Island (portions of SFA 2 and 3). In 2006, DFO proposed a pre-emptive 400t by-catch for *P. borealis* for fishers who were pursuing *P. montagui*. In 2007, the NWMB endorsed the DFO recommendation which remains in force until the Board changes that decision. Concerns have been raised regarding the area boundaries and the need for clarification for all stakeholders. The stakeholders plan to meet during the first week of July to discuss their concerns. The NWMB deferred further consideration of the issue to its meeting in September.

## 10. C Char Exploratory Fisheries

Over the years, fishers from Pangnirtung have harvested char from several local water bodies for commercial sale at the local fish plant. In July 2007, the NWMB approved interim levels of harvesting for these lakes on the condition that appropriate samples and catch-per-unit-effort (CPUE) data was collected. The HTA has recently requested exploratory fishing licences for 12 water bodies in the Pangnirtung area. Levels of harvesting for ten of these water bodies were previously approved by the NWMB. No samples or CPUE were collected by the fishers during the past season. In some cases, the HTO is requesting higher harvest levels than were established in 2007. DFO recommended that the harvest levels remain at the levels which were established last year. However, there is insufficient information available to confirm that harvesting levels should be constrained.

Further, DFO noted that Targioyah Lake may contain Atlantic Cod which is a species at risk. DFO recommended that nets be relocated if the catch is predominantly Arctic Cod or that all fishing be terminated if more than 50 Arctic Cod are caught.

It was noted that past NWMB decisions are not time limited. They remain in force until replaced by another decision of the NWMB. An ad hoc committee (DFO, HTO, GN-ED&T, and NWMB) has been established to review the situation. The Board encouraged the committee members to seek a consensus on the outstanding issues before pursuing a decision from the NWMB. The Board decided to defer further consideration of this issue until the committee has had an opportunity to resolve the outstanding issues.

## 10. D Beluga and Atlantic Cod: Proposed Listing under SARA

DFO will not move forward with species and populations that occur in Nunavik waters until an MOU has been developed which harmonizes the SARA listing process with the Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement. As a result, the listing process for Western Hudson Bay Beluga, Eastern Hudson Bay Beluga, Ungava Bay Beluga, Narwhal and Atlantic Walrus will not move forward at this time.

In May 2004, COSEWIC assessed **Cumberland Sound Beluga** as Threatened. Consultations were held in Pangnirtung in November 2004 but the community did not support the listing. In August 2006, the Governor in Council decided to not list the population to allow for further consideration of Inuit views. DFO is now prepared to recommence consultations consistent with the process detailed in the MOU. DFO conducted an aerial survey in Cumberland Sound in August 2005 but the poor weather limited the quality of the results. Another survey is planned for summer 2009. In addition, three animals were tagged (summer 2006 and 2007) to evaluate preferred habitats and to develop a correction factor to account for animals below the water surface. It is unlikely that recent results will change the COSEWIC assessment.

In May 2004, COSEWIC assessed **Eastern High Arctic-Baffin Bay Beluga** as Special Concern. Consultations were held in Grise Fiord, Resolute Bay, and



Taloyoak in January 2005 and consultation documents were sent to Pond Inlet and Arctic Bay. The communities do not support the listing. In August 2006, the Governor in Council decided to not list the population to allow for further consideration of Inuit views. DFO is now prepared to recommence consultations consistent with the process detailed in the MOU. No new information is available since the 2004 assessment.

In May 2003, COSEWIC assessed the Arctic Population of **Atlantic Cod** as Special Concern. Consultations were held in Iqaluit, Pangnirtung, and Qikiqtarjuaq in November 2004. In April 2006, the Governor in Council referred the assessment back to COSEWIC but, in December 2006, COSEWIC reaffirmed their original assessment as no new information was available. The Minister of Environment plans to forward the assessment to the GiC now that the SARA listing process has been harmonized with the NLCA.

DFO recommended that the consultation process be restarted and that the current MOU timelines be shifted by three months to fit current circumstances. In light of the extended period since the past consultations, the NWMB decided (**Resolution 2008-052**) that DFO should inform the communities of any new information and seek community responses (possibly by correspondence) during the coming months and bring a recommendation forward at the Board's meeting in September 11, 2008.

#### **10. E Conversion of Greenland Halibut Fishing Zone in Cumberland Sound**

In February 2005, a new Greenland halibut management zone was established inside Cumberland Sound and the NWMB approved a TAH of 500t for the new zone. This TAH is separate from and in addition to the Division 0B allocation of to Nunavut of 1,500t. DFO is proposing that the fishery be converted from 'Exploratory' to 'Commercial.' In March 2008, DFO provided the Pangnirtung HTA with background information and the rationale for the proposed conversion. DFO has also indicated that access fees would not be applied to this zone. (There is no time limit on the waiver). The HTA supports the DFO proposal to convert the management zone from 'Exploratory' to 'Commercial.' The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-053**) to approve the conversion.

#### **10. F Meadowbank Gold Mine: Fish-out Program**

The Meadowbank Gold Mine is located approximately 70 km north of Baker Lake. The mine is being developed by Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (AEM). In July 2007, the NWMB approved DFO's "General Fish-out Protocol for Lakes to be Lost during Mining Development." AEM's fish-out program closely follows the DFO protocol but it has proposed a small difference with respect to the mesh size in the gillnet gang. Specifically, AEM would like to replace the 7/8" stretched-mesh panel with a 5" panel.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-054**) to approve the change noting that it was a minor adjustment. It is recommended that proponents seek guidance from NWMB staff before bringing minor items before the Board.

## **10. G Greenland Halibut Exploratory Fisheries**

The HTAs from Grise Fiord, Arctic Bay and Resolute requested an exploratory licence to fish for Greenland Halibut using long-line gear. The fisheries would take place from April to July 2008, through the land-fast ice covering Jones Sound (Grise Fiord), Admiralty Inlet-Cape Crawford area (Arctic Bay) and Parry Channel (Resolute). In each community, approximately five fishermen would fish at one or two locations in the designated areas. Fishermen from Qikiqtarjuaq will provide training on fishing methods.

**Note: This issue was resolved during Conference Call No.114 April 8, 2008**

The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-055**) to move to an in-camera session.

## **10. H Request to Carryover Narwhal Quota**

The Ikinguat (Taloyoak) HTOs requested that 50% of their Narwhal tags for 2007 be carried over to 2008 because they did not harvest any Narwhal last year. This request is consistent with the Community-based Management of Narwhal. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-056**) to approve the carryover.

## **11. NWMB Issues**

### **11. A Arviligjjuak Bowhead Hunt Plan**

The Kugaaruk HTO submitted a draft Bowhead Whale Hunt Plan to the NWMB in March 2008 for approval. The draft plan was reviewed for compliance with the current (2005) approved management plan for Bowhead Whales in the NSA; the NWMB resolution (Resolution 2005-068) for the last Bowhead Whale hunt and the October 2006 draft of the "Bowhead Whale Hunt Plan Guidelines" developed by NTI. A number of revisions and clarifications were identified. At Regular Meeting No. 55, NWMB staff was instructed to meet with the relevant co-management partners to address these issues. The Director, Wildlife Management revised the hunt plan based on the consensus recommendations from the co-management partners. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-057**) to approve the revised plan.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-058**) to close the in-camera session.

### **11. B Implementation of OA Access Fees**

A joint letter from Niqitaq Fisheries Ltd and the Baffin Fisheries Coalition to the A/Area Director, DFO Iqaluit was tabled. The two organizations are seeking a deferral of the commercial access fees for the OA turbot fishery until implementation of the new Nunavut access and allocation policy which will take effect on 01 January, 2009. The Board instructed staff to review the scope and intent of access fees and to report back to the NWMB.



## **11. C Scope of Harvest Study**

In March 2007, the NWMB decided (Resolution 2007-16) to pursue an approach to the harvest study which combined a stratified survey of targeted harvesters in selected communities with a community surveillance network (in one or two communities) to facilitate the community-based collection of survey data and other ecological/environmental observations. A review of the NLCA indicates that there is no legal requirement to collect harvest data information beyond the kill data required to establish the level and pattern of Inuit harvesting. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-059**) that the harvest study should be limited to the collection of kill data relating to harvest by Inuit, assignees and other residents, as appropriate. It also decided to continue the support for the HEROS project and to evaluate the "lessons learned" upon termination of the project.

## **11. D Strategic Planning**

Item deferred

## **12. NTI Wildlife Division Issues**

### **12. A Bowhead Whale Hunt Training and Equipment**

NTI presented the budget for the equipment and planned training sessions in advance of the two Bowhead Whale hunts. The overall budget is 48K. The Board decided (**Resolution 2008-060**) to provide one third (16K) of the overall costs.

### **12. B DFO Letter to Vice President, NTI**

A copy of a letter from the Minister, DFO to Second Vice President, NTI (dated: 29 April, 2008) was tabled for information. The Minister acknowledges that the population estimate for Eastern Arctic Bowhead has changed substantially due to the reanalysis of the relevant data. No action is required by the NWMB.

### **12. C Funding for Research Applications**

All of the successful and unsuccessful applicants have been notified of the NWMB decisions. The DWM is currently awaiting confirmation from the applicants of their external funding as identified in the applications (due by 30 June). The contribution agreements will be completed when this information has been provided.

### **12. D Foxe Basin Polar Bear Survey**

The Foxe Basin communities have several concerns about the population inventory which DoE proposes to undertake with respect to the Foxe Basin population. The Board requested the Director, Wildlife Management to meet with the parties to facilitate the resolution of the outstanding issues.

## **12. E Makkivik Request to Harvest Narwhal in Hudson Strait**

Apparently, Makkivik is seeking permission to hunt Narwhal from the Northern Hudson Bay stock which is shared with five Kivalliq communities. It is KWB's view that new allocations should not be considered until an updated harvest estimate is available. It is also KWB's view that Makkivik should consult with the Kivalliq communities before approaching DFO.

## **12. F Narwhal Tags for Arviat and Baker Lake**

The annual quota of 102 Narwhal is divided between five Kivalliq communities. Arviat and Baker Lake do not have an allocation. Community representatives determined that a one-time allocation of one tag to each community is feasible. The KWF is seeking the one-time allocation on behalf of the two communities. NWMB staff was requested to analyze this issues in greater detail and report back to the NWMB as required.

## **12. G Western Hudson Bay Polar Bear Quota**

A letter (dated 22 May, 2008) from the Chairman, Kivalliq Wildlife Board to the Minister of Environment was tabled wherein the Chairman voiced regional concerns over the 2008/09 quota for West Hudson Bay polar bears. The letter was tabled for information only.

## **13. Applications for Funding**

There were no applications for funding.

## **14. Other Presentations**

There were no additional presentations.

## **15. Executive Committee Report and Recommendations**

See Executive Committee Minutes

## **16. Meetings, Workshops and Other Pertinent Events**

### **16. A Reports and Briefings: Recent Events**

No reports or briefings were presented.

### **16. B Participation in Upcoming Events**

Canada/Greenland Beluga and Narwhal Commission in Ottawa on 03 June.

Joe Justus will participate in the Ad hoc Working Group meeting on Shrimp Management in Nunavut and Nunavik, July 3, 2008

Joe Justus will participate in the meeting of Chairs of northern wildlife co-management Boards in June 24, 2008

Jim Noble and Michael d'Eca will make a presentation to the Senate Standing Committee on Fisheries in Iqaluit , June 2-3, 2008

Jim Noble and Michael d'Eça will participate in the Nunavut Regulatory Review Committee, July 7-10, 2008

#### **17. Date and Location of Next Meeting**

Coral Harbour, 08-12 September, 2008.

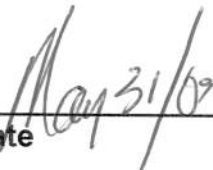
The meeting will be moved to Rankin Inlet if accommodation is not available in Coral Harbour.

#### **18. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned (**Resolution 2008-061**)

Minutes Approved by:

  
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A/Chairperson

  
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Date

## RESOLUTIONS

**Resolution 2008-048:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the agenda for Regular Meeting No.56 as presented.

Moved by: Willie Nakoolak  
Carried

Seconded by: Peter Awa  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-049:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the national management plan for the Harlequin Duck (Eastern Population).

Moved by: Robert Moshenko  
Carried

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-050:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the proposed changes to the Snow Goose hunting season and bag limits for non-beneficiaries in Nunavut, as indicated below:

	Current	Proposed
Fall Season Date	01 Sept. – 08 Dec.	15 Aug. – 08 Dec.
Spring Season Date	01 May – 07 June	No Change
Daily limit for Canadian Hunters	15 geese per day	20 geese per day
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Possession limit for non-residents	10 geese	80 snow geese

Moved by: Robert Moshenko  
Carried

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-051:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the continuation in 2008 of the shrimp bottom-trawl survey within the Nunavut Settlement Area and recommends the continuation in 2008 of the survey in marine waters adjacent to Nunavut outside the Nunavut Settlement Area, subject to continued adherence to the following conditions:

A. The research license indicates that no historic attachment to the fishing area will be considered as a result of the research survey; and

B. Membership on the Northern Shrimp Research Foundation includes a DFO representative from the eastern Arctic area.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok  
Carried

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-052:** RESOLVED that the NWMB:

A. Accept that in this circumstance the Minister of Environment can recommence the listing process for beluga and Atlantic Cod, under SARA, section 27.1.1, by resubmitting the 2004 COSEWIC assessment to the Governor-in-Council;

B. Recommend that DFO also recommence its consultations with the relevant communities and Inuit organizations, including NTI, at the earliest opportunity, informing them of:

1. The reasons for the 3.5-year delay in proceeding with this matter;
2. The new information gathered during that time and inviting their comments with respect to the new information; and
3. Direct that DFO provide the resulting consultation reports and other materials set out in section 3.8 of the Memorandum of Understanding in time for the NWMB's September 2008 Regular Meeting.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick  
Carried

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-053:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the conversion of Greenland Halibut Fishing Zone in Cumberland Sound from 'Exploratory' to 'Commercial' with no access fees applied to the fishery.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick  
Carried

Seconded by: Peter Awa  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-054:** RESOLVED that the NWMB write to the Grise Fiord, Resolute and Arctic Bay HTOs and DFO, indicating that:

A) In the Boards view, High Arctic Inuit have the NLCA right to conduct this fisher, if it is in the NSA, and if there is not existing fishing quota in place- see NLCA S5.6.1 and:

B) The NWMB supports the reporting requirements recommended by DFO.

Moved by: Peter Awa  
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok  
Date: May 27, 2008



**Resolution 2008-055:** RESOLVED that the NWMB move to an in-camera meeting.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick  
Carried

Seconded by: Joannie Ikkidluak  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-056:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the Ikinguak HTO request to carryover 50% of their 2007 Narwhal quota (eight tags) to the 2008 season.

Moved by: Willie Nakoolak  
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-057:** RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the Arviliguak Bowhead Whale Hunt Plan as presented. Approval of the plan does not commit the Board to contribute funding toward the hunt.

Moved by: Robert Moshenko  
Carried

Seconded by: Kevin McCormick  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-058:** RESOLVED that the NWMB move out of the in-camera meeting.

Moved by: Robert Moshenko  
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-059:** RESOLVED that the NWMB limit the scope of the harvest study to the collection of kill data relating to harvest by Inuit, assignees and other residents as appropriate. Further, that the NWMB financially support the HEROS project to the limit decided in March 2007 and that the NWMB review the effectiveness of the "self reporting" approach at the conclusion of the HEROS project.

Moved by: Willie Nakoolak  
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-060:** RESOLVED that the NWMB commit Sixteen thousand dollars toward the cost of training for the Arviliguak Bowhead Whale hunt.

Moved by: Willie Nakoolak  
Carried

Seconded by: Peter Awa  
Date: May 27, 2008

**Resolution 2008-061:** RESOLVED that the NWMB adjourn Regular Meeting No. 56.

Moved by: Robert Moshenko  
Carried

Seconded by: Kevin McCormick  
Date: May 27, 2008