

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Minutes: Regular Meeting No. 50

IQALUIT, MARCH 6-8, 2007

Members and Staff Participating:

Joe Tigullaraq	Chairperson/CEO
Paul Pemik	Member
Harry Flaherty	Member
Abraham Kaunak	Member
Makabe Nartok	Member (by phone for one day)
Pitseolak Alainga	Member (part time)
Jim Noble	Chief Operating Officer
Tom Demcheson	Director of Finance and Administration
Joe Justus	Director of Wildlife Management
Erin Calder	Wildlife Biologist
Michael d'Eça	NWMB Legal Advisor
Evie Amagoalik	Interpreter
Lazarus Arreak	Interpreter

Not Available:

Kevin McCormick	Member
DFO Nominee	Vacant
QIA Nominee	Vacant

Other Participants at Various Times:

Andrejka Lokar	DFO, Iqaluit
Jack Orr	DFO, Winnipeg
Marty Bergman	DFO, Winnipeg
Glenn Williams	NTI, Iqaluit
Mitch Taylor	DOE Nunavut, Igloolik
Siu-Ling Han	CWS, Iqaluit
Stefan Romberg	DFO, Iqaluit

Tuesday, March 6, 2007

1. Call to Order and Opening Preliminaries

The Chairperson welcomed the members, staff and guests to the 50th meeting of the NWMB in Iqaluit.

The Chairperson noted that this meeting was planned to review and approve both the Nunavut Wildlife Research Trust and Nunavut Wildlife Management Board Studies

Funding Applications for the 2007/08 fiscal year. It was also noted that if time remained the meeting would return to the Regular Meeting 50 Agenda items. It was further noted that Makabe Nartok's flight was cancelled and that he would be joining the meeting via phone on Tuesday. There would also be a further delay Wednesday while Makabe travelled to Iqaluit.

Agenda items 2 through 7 were deferred to future meetings.

8. NWMB Internal Items: Issues/Decisions

8. A Second Nunavut Wildlife Harvest Study: Issues/Decision

The Chief Operating Officer reviewed his briefing note with the members. James Selkirk of Nunaworks reviewed his report on "Activities of Nunaworks" and responded to questions from the members. It was noted that the report "Options for Implementing a New Wildlife Harvest Study in Nunavut" prepared by the Canadian Circumpolar Institute was included as briefing material. James Selkirk explained the three models presented by the Circumpolar Institute and advised that the Board would have to decide on which of the three options the Board would like to proceed with in development of a new harvest study. The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-016**) to approve development of a Second Harvest Study based on a combination of models two and three recommended by the Circumpolar Institute:

- Model 2: Survey Approach (Similar to the Alaska model)
 - All of Nunavut for one time only or every year etc.
 - Different survey questions based on species of interest identified by the NWMB. In this case there could be different surveys carried out in different regions or zones throughout Nunavut.
- Model 3: An innovative approach that contributes to the setting of BNL's for the NWMB as well as the development of a self-sustaining community Wildlife Surveillance Network.
 - Stand alone Model 3
 - Integrated Model 3 with Model 1 (option 1 or 2) (Model =1 same as first HS)
 - Integrated Model 3 with Model 2

9. NTI Wildlife Division: Issues/Decisions

Item deferred

10. Applications for Funding: Review/Decision

10.A NWRT Project Reports (2006/07) and Proposals (2007/08)

The Director of Wildlife Management reviewed the briefing note provided on the NWRT previous year reports and new proposals for the coming year. It was noted that for 2006/07 19 new and continuing projects were approved for \$623,835. For

2007/08, three projects were previously approved for multi-year funding totalling \$170,000. Thirty-eight new applications have been received for a total request of \$1,419,000 including the \$170,000 previously approved. After a preliminary review and discussion of the new and continuing proposals, the Board decided (**Resolution 2007-017**) to move to an in camera session. The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-018**) to move out of in camera session. The Board then proceeded to make decisions on the following continuing and new projects:

Projects Approved for 2007/08 Funding

Project #:		2007 \$K	
2-05-06 Multiyear	Davis Strait polar bear inventory (<i>last year of funding</i>)	\$75,000.00	1
2-05-03 Multiyear	Co-operative ground-aerial surveys of peary caribou and muskoxen on Ellesmere, Alex Heiberg and central Devon Island in Nunavut, 2005-2008 (<i>last year of funding</i>)	\$75,000.00	2
3-06-10 Multiyear	Multi-species stock assessment surveys of NAFO (<i>year 2 of 3</i>)	\$20,000.00	3
3-07-03	Walrus stock definition and enumeration	\$50,000.00	4
3-07-06 Multiyear	Climate variation and health of Eastern Arctic aquatic marine ecosystem	\$75,000.00	5
4-07-01 Multiyear	Cholera in common eiders	\$32,000.00	6
2-07-06	Vegetation mapping in Kivalliq	\$75,000.00	7
2-07-08 Multiyear	Wolverine carcass collection	\$6,500.00	8
2-07-13	Wolverine & grizzly bear status	\$64,000.00	9
2-07-19	Polar bears of Western Hudson Bay: survey extension investigation	\$53,000.00	10
2-07-14	Caribou & muskox population status	\$75,000.00	11
3-07-09	Assessment of narwhal hunting losses from Admiralty Inlet	\$25,000.00	12
2-07-16 Multiyear	Foxe Basin polar bears: Population inventory and sea-ice habitat selection	\$75,000.00	13
2-07-05	Monitoring conditions and feeding Southampton	\$5,000.00	14
3-07-07 Multiyear	Monitoring killer whale distribution, abundance, movements, and predating in NU	\$50,000.00	15
2-07-18	Polar bears in Davis Strait: Investigation of the effects of climate change on foraging ecology	\$23,000.00	16
2-07-10	Development of a collection and model, polar bears, wolves and population	\$11,000.00	17
2-07-12	Vegetation mapping Western Kitikmeot	\$70,900.00	18
3-07-13	Bowhead movement	\$35,000.00	19
2-07-17	Polar bear genetic research in Baffin Bay, Kane Basin and Davis Strait	\$62,000.00	20
3-07-08	An evaluation of the potential for exotic species introductions in Arctic marine waters	\$20,000.00	21
2-07-09	Grizzly bear harvest collection	\$2,200.00	22
2-07-11 Multiyear	Boothia Peninsula caribou study	\$7,000.00	23

2-07-02 Multiyear	Space use and movement patters of North Baffin caribou	\$75,000.00	24
2-07-20	Dolphin union caribou herd population estimate and trend (Carry over request)	\$15,000.00	25
2-07-04	Population estimate island bound barren-ground caribou, Southampton	\$46,000.00	26
3-07-04	Walrus population estimate - Foxe Basin	\$10,000.00	27
2-07-01	An estimate of breeding females in the Beverly herd of barren ground caribou	\$45,000.00	28
5-07-01	Snowy owls	\$20,000.00	29
Total:		\$1,197,600.00	

The Board decided to not approve the DFO project 3-07-01 Development of Arctic Char fisheries in southern Baffin Island: Biological research for sustainability using community-based sampling.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-019**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-03 Walrus Stock Definition and Enumeration.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-020**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-06 Climate Variation and Health of the Eastern Arctic (Nunavut) Aquatic Marine Ecosystem with the recommendation that the researcher return to the communities to provide the research results.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-021**) to approve the CWS Project 4-07-01 Examining the Geographic Spread and Population Impact of Avian Cholera among Northern Common Eider Ducks Nesting in Nunavut.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-022**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-06 Vegetation Mapping in the Kivalliq Using Digital Landsat 5 and 7 Data.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-023**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-08 Wolverine Carcass Collection.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-024**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-13 Wolverine and Grizzly Bear Status in the West-Kitikmeot (Nunavut) for a three year period.

The Board decided to not approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-15 Harvest and Ecological Research Operational System (HEROS) but rather recommend that this project be considered under the new Nunavut Wildlife Harvest Study.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-025**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-19 Polar Bears of Western Hudson Bay: Survey Extension Investigation with the condition that KWB be consulted on requirement to immobilize bears for this project.

The board decided (**Resolution 2007-026**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-14 Caribou and Muskox Population Status, Dynamics and Health in Nunavut Western Mainland.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-027**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-09 Assessment of Narwhal Hunting Losses from Admiralty Inlet, Nunavut subject to approval of partnership funding and HTO approval.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-028**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-16 Foxe Basin Polar Bears: Population Inventory and Sea-Ice Habitat for a three year period subject to HTO approvals.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-029**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-05 Monitoring Condition and Feeding Habits of Island Bound Barren-Ground Caribou (*Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus*) Southampton Island, Nunavut.

The Board decided to not approve the DFO Project 3-07-12 Movements, Haul-out, and Foraging Behaviour of Ringed Seals in Hudson Bay.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-030**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-07 Monitoring Killer Whale Distribution, Abundance, Movements and Predation in Nunavut.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-031**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-18 Polar Bears in Davis Strait: Investigation of the Effects of Climate Change on Foraging Ecology.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-032**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-10 Development of a Collection and Documentation Model for Urqumiut Inuit Knowledge of Polar Bears, Wolves and Their Populations.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-033**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-12 Western Kitikmeot Vegetation Mapping Using Landsat TM/7 Data.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-034**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-13 Bowhead Whale Movements and Stock Range.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-035**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-17 Polar Bear Genetic Research in Baffin Bay, Kane Basin and Davis Strait.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-036**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-08 An Evaluation of the Potential for Exotic Species Introduction in Arctic Marine Waters.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-037**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-09 Grizzly Bear Harvest Collection.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-038**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-11 Boothia Peninsula Caribou Status.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-039**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-02 Space Use and Movement Patterns of North Baffin Caribou (*Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus*) for a three year period only.

The Board decided to not approve the CWS Project 4-07-02 Migration, Survival and Population Size and Trend of the Pacific Common Eider in Central Arctic Canada.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-040**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-20 Dolphin and Union Caribou Herd Population Estimate and Trend.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-041**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-04 Population Estimate of Island Bound Barren-Ground Caribou (*Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus*), Southampton Island, Nunavut.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-042**) to approve the DFO Project 3-07-04 Walrus Population Estimate – Foxe Basin.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-043**) to approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-01 An Estimate of Breeding Females in the Beverly Herd of Barren Ground Caribou.

The Board decided to not approve the DFO Project 3-07-05 Assessment of Seasonal Range, Habitat Use and Survey Diving Bias of Northern Hudson Bay Narwhals.

The Board decided to not approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-07 The Monitoring of Qamanirjuaq Caribou (*Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus*) Using Satellite Telemetry and Spring Composition Surveys.

The Board decided to not approve the DFO Project 3-07-10 Photo –Identification of Bowhead Whales in Foxe Basin, Nunavut.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-044**) to approve Parks Canada Project 5-07-01 Monitoring Long-Distance Migratory Movements and Habitat Selection of Snowy Owl in Nunavut.

The Board decided to not approve the DFO Project 3-07-02 Assessment of the Early Growth Histories of Arctic Char Sampled from the Cambridge Bay Commercial Fishery.

The Board decided to not approve the DFO Project 3-07-11 Use of Chemical Signals and Vocalization to Define Beluga Whale Stocks.

Projects 2-05-06 (Multiyear), 2-05-03 (Multiyear) and 3-06-10 (Multiyear) were all approved in earlier meetings as multiyear projects and will continue for the 2007/08 fiscal year.

Friday, March 9, 2007

10.B NWMB Studies Funding Projects - Applications/Approvals

The NWMB Wildlife Biologist reviewed the briefing note provided with the members. It was noted that reports and financial statements on previous years (2006) projects were provided in the binders. Six new projects totalling \$163,689 were received and are also provided for Board review and approval for the 2007/08 fiscal year. Members reviewed the previous year's reports and then reviewed the new applications.

Studies Fund Funding 2007/08		
Project #	Title	2007-2008
5244-07-01	Gjoa Haven polar bear genetics	\$30,000.00
5210-07-03	Foraging ecology and resource use by arctic nesting falcons in the mary river region	\$30,000.00
5210-07-02	The spatial and temporal distribution of the North Baffin caribou population	\$29,000.00
5215-07-01	Reducing seabed contact while trawling	\$29,739.00
5208-07-01	Improve river at Makinsin Inlet (Grise Fiord HTO)	\$21,650.00
Total		\$140,389.00

The Board decided to not approve Project 5210-07-01 Biology and Population Structure of the Narwhals in Eclipse Sound.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-045**) to approve Project 5244-07-01 Role of Local Hunters in the following:

1. The Genetic Studies of Polar Bear Mating, Movement and Dispersal
2. A Genetic Estimate of the Minimum Number of Polar Bears Know Alive in M'Clintock Channel
3. Polar Bear Activity Survey, and
4. Potential Polar Bear Population Health Survey

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-046**) to approve Project 5210-07-03 Foraging Ecology and Resources Used by Arctic Nesting Falcons in the Mary River Region.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-047**) to approve Project 5210-07-02 The Spatial and Temporal Distribution of the North Baffin Caribou Population.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-048**) to approve Project 5215-17-01 Reducing Seabed Contact Wile Trawling: Flume Tank & Sea Trials of Innovative Trawling Systems on Board the M/V Saputi.

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-049**) to approve Project 5280-07-01 Improve River at Makinsin Inlet.

11. Other Presentations

No presentations made.

12. Executive Committee Report and Recommendations

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-050**) to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee to pay increments to staff having satisfactory appraisals for the period ending March 31, 2007.

The Board also approved the Executive Committee's recommendation to have the Director of Finance and Administration review the various other agencies salary bonus procedures for staff that have reached the top of their pay scales. They also requested that the Director attempt to get a more accurate Cost of Living Adjustment Factor for the Board prior to final decision by the Board.

13. Meetings, Workshops and Other Pertinent Events

Item deferred.


14. Date and Location of Next Meeting

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-051**) to conduct its 51st Regular Meeting in Arviat the week of April 23rd, 2007. This meeting will be a combination Public Hearing on West Hudson Bay polar bear and Regular Meeting 51.

15. Adjournment

The Chairman thanked members, translators and NWMB staff for their work in preparation for and at the meeting. The 50th meeting of the NWMB was adjourned.

Minutes Approved by:


A/Chairperson


Date

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2007-016: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve development of a Second Harvest Study based on a combination of models two and three recommended by the Circumpolar Institute:

- Model 2: Survey Approach (Similar to the Alaska model)
- Model 3: An innovative approach that contributes to the setting of BNL's for the NWMB as well as the development of a self-sustaining community "Wildlife Surveillance Network."

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-017: RESOLVED that the NWMB move to an in camera session.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Joannie Ikkidluak
Date: March 7, 2007

Resolution 2007-018: RESOLVED that the NWMB move out of in camera session.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 7, 2007

Resolution 2007-019: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-03 Walrus Stock Definition and Enumeration.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Three abstained (Makabe Nartok, Harry Flaherty, Pitseolak Alainga)
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-020: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-06 Climate Variation and Health of the Eastern Arctic (Nunavut) Aquatic Marine Ecosystem.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-021: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the CWS Project 4-07-01 Examining the Geographic Spread and Population Impact of Avian Cholera among Northern Common Eider Ducks Nesting in Nunavut.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-022: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-06 Vegetation Mapping in the Kivalliq Using Digital Landsat 5 and 7 Data.

Moved by: Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-023: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-08 Wolverine Carcass Collection.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-024: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-13 Wolverine and Grizzly Bear Status in the West-Kitikmeot (Nunavut) for a three year period.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-025: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-19 Polar Bears of Western Hudson Bay: Survey Extension Investigation and that the KWB be consulted on requirement to immobilize bears for this project.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-026: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-14 Caribou and Muskox Population Status, Dynamics and Health in Nunavut Western Mainland.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-027: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-09 Assessment of Narwhal Hunting Losses from Admiralty Inlet, Nunavut subject to approval of partnership funding and HTO approval.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-028: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Project 2-07-16 Foxe Basin Polar Bears: Population Inventory and Sea-Ice Habitat for a three year period subject to HTO approvals.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-029: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Project 2-07-05 Monitoring Condition and Feeding Habits of Island Bound Barren-Ground Caribou (*Ranifer Tarandus Groenlandicus*) Southampton Island, Nunavut.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-030: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-07 Monitoring Killer Whale Distribution, Abundance, Movements and Predation in Nunavut.

Moved by: Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-031: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-18 Polar Bears in Davis Strait: Investigation of the Effects of Climate Change on Foraging Ecology.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-032: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-10 Development of a Collection and Documentation Model for Urqumiut Inuit Knowledge of Polar Bears, Wolves and Their Populations.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-033: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-12 Western Kitikmeot Vegetation Mapping Using Landsat TM/7 Data.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-034 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-13 Bowhead Whale Movements and Stock Range.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-035 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-17 Polar Bear Genetic Research in Baffin Bay, Kane Basin and Davis Strait.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-036 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-08 An Evaluation of the Potential for Exotic Species Introduction in Arctic Marine Waters.

Moved by: Paul Pemik

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak

Carried

Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-037 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-09 Grizzly Bear Harvest Collection.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-038 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-11 Boothia Peninsula Caribou Status.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-039 RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-02 Space Use and Movement Patterns of North Baffin Caribou (Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus) for a three year period only.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-040: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-20 Dolphin and Union Caribou Herd Population Estimate and Trend.

Moved by: Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-041: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-04 Population Estimate of Island Bound Barren-Ground Caribou (Rangifer Tarandus Groenlandicus), Southampton Island, Nunavut

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-042: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DFO Project 3-07-04 Walrus Population Estimate – Foxe Basin.

Moved by: Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-043: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the DOE Nunavut Project 2-07-01 An Estimate of Breeding Females in the Beverly Herd of Barren Ground Caribou.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
One (1) opposed-Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Pitseolak Alainga
One (1) Abstained – Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-044: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Parks Canada Project 5-07-01 Monitoring Long-Distance Migratory Movements and Habitat Selection of Snowy Owl in Nunavut.

Moved by: Pitseolak Alainga
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 8, 2007

Resolution 2007-045: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Project 5244-07-01 Role of Local Hunters in the following:

1. The Genetic Studies of Polar Bear Mating, Movement and Dispersal
2. A Genetic Estimate of the Minimum Number of Polar Bears Known Alive in M'Clintock Channel
3. Polar Bear Activity Survey, and
4. Potential Polar Bear Population Health Survey

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-046: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Project 5210-07-03 Foraging Ecology and Resources Used by Arctic Nesting Falcons in the Mary River Region.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-047: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Project 5210-07-02 The Spatial and Temporal Distribution of the North Baffin Caribou Population.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Harry Flaherty
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-048: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Project 5215-17-01 Reducing Seabed Contact While Trawling: Flume Tank & Sea Trials of Innovative Trawling Systems on Board the M/V Saputi.

Moved by: Abraham Kaunak
One (1) abstained – Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Makabe Nartok
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-049: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve Project 5280-07-01 Improve River at Makinsin Inlet.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-050: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee to pay increments to staff having satisfactory appraisals for the period ending March 31, 2007.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: March 9, 2007

Resolution 2007-051: RESOLVED that the NWMB) conduct its 51st Regular Meeting in Arviat the week of April 23rd, 2007. This meeting will be a combination Public Hearing on West Hudson Bay polar bear and Regular Meeting 51.