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AOOS July 19, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting Summary (finalized at 12/16/19 board meeting)

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Attending by phone: Katrina Hoffman (Chair), Jim Kendall (Treasurer), Cheryl Rosa (Secretary), Ed Page (Vice Chair), Molly McCammon (AOOS Executive Director), and Carol Janzen (AOOS Operations Director)

Chair Katrina Hoffman called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm.

The Executive Committee met to take action on accepting the FY 2019 funding from the national IOOS Program Office, to approve funding for mini-proposals that were discussed at the May 22, 2019 board meeting, and to approve a minor revision to the year 4 work plan approved at the May meeting.

Action Item: Board meeting summary from general board meeting May 22, 2019 approved unanimously. *Motion by Rosa, second by Kendall.*

Action: The Executive Committee formally accepted the recommended FY 2019 funding from the U.S. IOOS Program Office in the amount of \$4,491,512 as described in the attached award letter for NOAA award #NA16NOS0120027, entitled, "Implementation and Development of Regional Coastal Ocean Observing System: Alaska Ocean Observing System." (Attachment 1 – ANNOTATED Award Letter). *Motion by Jim Kendall, second by Cheryl Rosa. Approved unanimously.*

Action: After reviewing additional information provided them, the Executive Committee approved the spending plan for the \$80K included in the IOOS award to "Fill the Gaps - Streamline Access to Obs" for the following projects:

- **Utqiagvik GPS water level installation: New contracts with JOA (John Oswald Associates), ASTRA, ADNDR (estimated \$45K).** Install the AOOS-owned ASTRA GPS system in Utqiagvik (Barrow), Alaska to make water level observations.
- **2. GPS water level data solution: New contract with ASTRA, LLC (\$30K).** Develop operational water level data from GNSS observations at three UNAVCO stations (including St. Michael, which AOOS/NWS paid for) and provide algorithms to AXIOM for long-term operational use.

- **3. HydroBall Pilot Project 2020: New project (Year 1: \$5K; Year 2: estimated \$25K).** Pilot a single beam bathymetric surveying program using an instrument towed by a small boat in western Alaska coastal communities, river mouths and estuaries using a community approach.

Motion by Ed Page, second by Kendall. Approved unanimously.

Action: The Executive Committee approved use of additional funds from Years 1-3 in the “Other” category for the following projects:

- **Replacement of oxygen equipment: Add to existing subaward with Russ Hopcroft, UAF (\$5,693).** Replace dissolved oxygen sensor on shipboard CTD for Seward Line surveys.
- **Replacement of hydrophone equipment: Add to existing subaward with Kate Stafford, UW (\$11,905).** Replaces borrowed and aging hydrophone packages used on AOOS-funded Chukchi Sea Ecosystem Mooring.
- **Near-Real-Time Beach Flooding/Erosion Monitoring Cameras : Add to existing subaward with Jacqueline Overbeck, AKDNR/DGGS (\$24,591) for new component.** The Alaska Water Level Network would test 4 different camera systems for near-real-time beach flooding/erosion monitoring. Funds would be used to purchase 3 systems for trials.

Motion by Kendall, second by Rosa. Approved unanimously.

Action: The Executive Committee authorized use of additional funds from the existing AOOS core budget as they are available and as needed for the following projects since those funding needs are uncertain at this time.

- **Workshops/stakeholder engagement preparing for FY21-25 proposal: (up to \$20K).** These funds would be taken from available personnel/fringe funds and added to conferences & stakeholder travel lines for upcoming workshops as needed, including possible marine debris and Prince William Sound workshops.
- **CDIP Buoy Projects (up to \$15K): O&M on 3 Wave Buoys (including new Kodiak NREL asset)**

Motion by Rosa, second by Kendall. Approved unanimously.

Action: The Executive Committee approve a minor revision to the Year 4 work plan approved at the May 22, 2019 board meeting which adds John Oswald Associates to ADNR funding for AK Water Level Watch activities so that both entities can be contracted for those activities.

Motion by Kendall, second by Rosa. Approved unanimously.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 12:25 pm. Motion by Kendall, second by Rosa.