
Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand Camp

Second Grand Vice President's Quarterly Report

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I want to begin by extending my congratulations to all the newly elected officers who are either new or have already been in an officer position, but now serve in a different capacity. I hope we can work together to meet and exceed the expectations of our membership, and the native people we serve.

The prime issue I must report is regarding the current status of our legislature. I am sure that many are already aware of the current organization issues it is facing, but if you are not, I will explain my first impressions from my visit to the Capitol as of today. Speaking with workers and staffers at the Capitol revealed that currently there is no majority in the Alaskan House of Representatives. No majority causes a large range of issues from committee assignments for representatives in the house to something as simple as office assignments. I came across hallways with doors to representative's offices stacked almost halfway to the ceiling with boxes and office supplies. The current disorganization in the house has a benefit though that I am looking to utilize, and that is the representative's now more-open-than-usual schedules. My goal is to have preliminary meetings with representatives and senators regarding our resolutions we passed at grand camp, and alert them accordingly with resolutions that may be relevant to them about an issue in their respective district (ex. 18-02, 18-16, 18-17, 18-22). Reports outside of quarterly reports on my progress will be sent out as I gather more information.

Shifting to another goal of mine currently is regarding a monthly newsletter from grand camp to all the camps. I am collecting example newsletters and will be collecting information from as many camps as I can about events and spotlight moments they want to share. If this is a monthly, quarterly, semiannual, etc. newsletter is up to the rest of the leadership. I expect though to present a draft of the newsletter to the presidents and go from there in due time. Again, more to report in the future.

I am still collecting information about parliamentary training activities, more to report and that at another time.

If any of the leadership would like to contact me about what I have reported, please see the contact info I have supplied in the footer. Thank you and let us make 2019 a year of engagement!