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# Minutes

## Board of Natural Resources Special Meeting

January 17, 2017

Natural Resources Building, Olympia, Washington

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The Honorable Hilary Franz, Washington State Commissioner of Public Lands

JT Austin, Designee for the Honorable Jay Inslee, Washington State Governor

The Honorable Bill Peach, Commissioner, Clallam County – *via conference call*

The Honorable Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Elizabeth Van Volkenburgh, Interim Director, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, University of Washington

Ron C. Mittelhammer, Dean, College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences, Washington State University – *via conference call*

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### 1 CALL TO ORDER

2 Commissioner Franz called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

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4 All Board members introduced themselves. Commissioner Franz noted there was a quorum for  
5 the meeting with Dean Mittelhammer and Commissioner Peach participating via phone.

### 6 7 SAFETY REVIEW

8 Ms. Vansot gave a safety overview and instruction on evacuating the building in case of an  
9 emergency.

### 10 11 ELECTION OF CHAIR

12 Commissioner Franz asked for nominations.

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14 MOTION: Ms. Austin moved that Commissioner Franz be elected Chair of the Board of  
15 Natural Resources.

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17 ACTION: The motion was approved unanimously.

### 18 19 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

20 Commissioner Franz asked for nominations.

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22 MOTION: Dean Mittelhammer moved that Commissioner Peach be elected Vice-Chair of the  
23 Board of Natural Resources.

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ACTION: The motion was approved unanimously.

**ADVISE AND CONSENT AND AMOUNT OF BOND FOR NEW SUPERVISOR**

Chair Franz recommended that Eric Schroff be appointed as the Supervisor of the Department of Natural Resources and recommended Lenny Young as the Interim Supervisor until Eric can assume the office.

Chair Franz asked Eric Schroff to provide a brief summary of his history with the Department.

Eric Schroff greeted the Board via phone and described his background. He received his Bachelor's in Forest Management in 1995 from Oregon State University and a Master's Degree in Forest Planning and Administration in 2002, when he first stated with DNR as an Assistant Division Manager for Forest Practices. In 2004, he promoted into the South Puget Sound Region Manager role and from 2005-2009 served as the Pacific Cascade Region Manager. He said he is excited to come back to DNR and honored to take on the role as Department Supervisor and he looks forward to working actively and diligently to support the Board.

Chair Franz remarked on the amount of the bond and noted that Christa Thompson, Assistant Attorney General, can specify any language in the statute or answer any questions on posting of the Bond.

Chair Franz then asked the Board for approval of Resolution 1497.

MOTION: Interim Dean Van Volkenburgh moved to approve Resolution 1497.

SECOND: Ms. Austin seconded the motion.

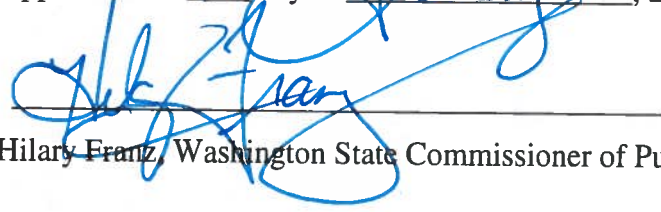
ACTION: The motion was approved unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

David Galle, citizen, welcomed Commissioner Franz to Olympia.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 AM.

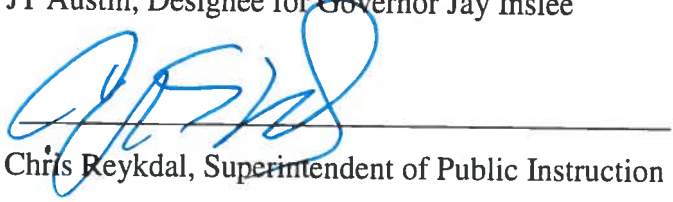
Approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017

  
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Hilary Franz, Washington State Commissioner of Public Lands

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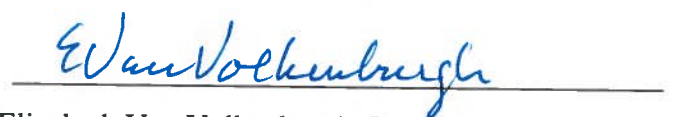
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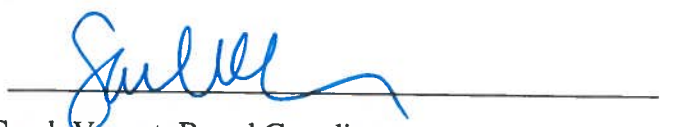
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Sarah Vansot, Board Coordinator

