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HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

NEXT COMMITTEE: FINANCE

BILL: SB 113

CURRENT VERSION: CS SB 113 (FIN)

SCHEDULED: MARCH 16, 1988

SPONSOR: BENNETT/FANNING

PHONE NO: 3880

CONTACT FILE: _____

BILL SUBJECT: RELATING TO THE ARCTIC WINTER GAMES

SPONSOR BACKUP: IN FILES

AFFECTED AGENCIES:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>CONTACT/PHONE</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
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REVENUE	ROYCE WELLER/2300	
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FISCAL NOTES

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>REQUESTED</u>	<u>DATED</u>	<u>FY 88 AMT</u>	<u>FY 89 AMT</u>
REVENUE		3/16/88	-0-	28,600

ACTION

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
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3/16/88	HCS CS SB 113 (SA) PASSED FROM STATE AFFAIRS -- EFFECTIVE DATED CHANGED TO 1/1/89
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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date referred: 4/1/87

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

DATE: 3-16-88

The State Affairs Committee has considered CSSB 113(Fin)

"An Act relating to the Arctic Winter Games; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDS:

- replace with HCS CS SB113(SA) the same title
- attached amendment(s) a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

- fiscal impact same as previous fiscal note published _____
- zero fiscal note same as previous zero fiscal note published _____
- zero with analysis

SIGNING DO PASS:

Curtis McManis

Pat Bond

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Terry Martin - no rec.

Craig Davidson no rec

John W. Miller - no rec

[Signature]

Chairman's signature

Original sponsor: Bennett

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 113 (State Affairs)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Arctic Winter Games; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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15 account. Permanent fund dividend contributions shall be deposited in
16 the Arctic Winter Games account. The Department of Revenue shall use
17 money in the account to pay administrative costs incurred under this
18 section.

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20 the Department of Administration for distribution to the official
21 organizing committee for the Arctic Winter Games to be used for ex-
22 penses incurred in organizing and conducting the Arctic Winter Games.

23 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 1989.
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Original sponsor: Bennett

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 113 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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23 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect ~~July 1, 1987~~.

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST

Revision Date: May 15, 1988
Title: An Act relating to the Arctic Winter Games. . ."
Sponsor: Bennett
Requestor: House State Affairs

Agency Affected: Revenue
BRU: Permanent Fund Dividend Division
Components: Permanent Fund Dividend Division

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
OPERATING						
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	17.4	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL	-0-	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0
SUPPLIES	-0-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
EQUIPMENT	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
LANDS & STRUCTURES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
GRANTS, CLAIMS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
MISCELLANEOUS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	28.6	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	28.6	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
FEDERAL FUNDS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
OTHER	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL	-0-	28.6	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME	-0-	3	2	2	2	2
TEMPORARY	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

ANALYSIS: See Attached.

Prepared By: Ervin Jones
Division: Permanent Fund Dividend Division

Phone: 465-2323
Date: 03/16/88

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]
Agency: Revenue

Date: _____

Distribution (by preparer):

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Department of Revenue
Permanent Fund Dividend Division
Fiscal Note Analysis
SB 113
March 16, 1988

Assumptions:

1. The bill will take effect for the 1989 permanent fund dividend year and application. The 1988 dividend application has already been printed.
2. There are seven other bills which if signed into law, would result in some form of "check-off" on the 1989 dividend application. The Department of Revenue has no insight as to which, and how many, of these bills will become law. This fiscal note, and all related fiscal notes, is prepared on the assumption that the subject bill is the only bill of this nature which will become law. The passage of multiple bills with varying formulas (\$5, half of dividend, all or part of dividend, etc.) will inevitably have a compounding effect. Whereas there may be savings in some areas, there will be increased costs in others.
- 3) All costs of administering this law will be borne by the general fund, of which the trust fund is an account.
- 4) The incremental cost of computer resources will result in a chargeback by the Department of Administration.
- 5) Whereas the cost of programming changes will be a one-time cost, the cost of document review, data capture, data processing chargeback, and the extra page in the dividend application will be continuing.
- 6) Contributions will only be honored to the extent of available funds. Garnishments and assignments will take precedence in the order established by statute. Contributions will then be honored in the order listed on the form schedule, which will be in the order they become law.

Program Summary:

The provision of a new contribution decision on the dividend application will cause additional administrative cost in several areas:

- a) An additional page added to each application, a schedule of contribution decisions.
- b) The computer system will need to be changed to account for the change in the program, to establish new accounting controls and to provide for the transfer of funds to the trust account (see Attachment A).
- c) Each of approximately 540,000 PFD applications will need to be visually reviewed and coded as to decision on the contribution decision. Each application will be data captured with additional attention and keystrokes expended on each positive decision.

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1. Positions

1 PPT Analyst/Programmer IV, R19
 @ \$4,302.28/mo. including salary
 and benefits for 2 months = \$8.6

This position would be funded for an additional two months, in accordance with Attachment A. Ongoing maintenance of new programs would be accomplished by existing staff.

1 PPT Document Processor I, R7
 @ \$2,212.37/mo., including salary and
 benefits for 3 months = 4.2

This position would assist in the manual review and coding of 540,000 applications for the new contribution decision. This position represents the equivalent of the additional time and effort.

1 PPT Data Processing Clerk I, R8,
 @ \$2,317.72/mo., including salary and
 benefits for 2 months = 4.6

This position would assist in the data capture of the additional contribution decisions. The position represents the equivalent value of the additional time and effort.

TOTAL Personal Services 17.4

2. Other Expenditures:

a) Travel: None.

b) Contractual:

Data Processing Chargeback 5.0
 Add additional page to PFD
 booklet 6.0

c) Supplies: 0.2

d) Equipment: Use existing equipment 0.0

TOTAL COST \$28.6

Department of Revenue
Permanent Fund Dividend Division
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3. Funding: General Fund.
4. Section Cost Analysis: N/A.

Computations: N/A.

Economic Impact: N/A.

Impact on Local Government: N/A.

Suggested Amendments: None.

Attachments: Attachment A: "Summary of DP Needs"

Department of Revenue
Permanent Fund Dividend Division
Fiscal Note Analysis
SB 113
Summary of Data Processing Requirements
March 16, 1988

Wang data entry processing	75.0 hours
Includes: Data entry	
Batch lists	
Corrections	
Wang to IBM transfer	
IBM Update jobs	30.0 hours
Includes: Edits	
Batch listings	
Log sheets	
DMS Online programs for lookup and changes	37.5 hours
Nightly update of changes	22.5 hours
Warrant Jobs	90.0 hours
Includes: Printing warrants with different amounts. Include check stub messages. Modify warrant registers as needed for balancing. Create new program(s) for transferring accumulated contributions to the Arctic Winter games account, and to account for the reserve necessary due to returned and cancelled PFD warrants.	
Miscellaneous	45.0 hours
Includes: Setting up test files on IBM Systems testing Administrative functions, i.e. paper work required by Admin. DP to add files and programs to tables.	
TOTAL HOURS	300.0 hours

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May, 1988

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Mary Van Nimwegen

HSA

3-16-88

3:00p.m.

HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS TELECONFERENCE
MARCH 16, 1988 - WEDNESDAY
RE: SB 113
FAIRBANKS - L.I.O.

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE ARE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE FAIRBANKS L.I.O. IN SUPPORT OF SB 113, INTRODUCED BY THE LATE SENATOR DON BENNETT, RELATING TO THE ARCTIC WINTER GAMES.

DR. WOOD - FAIRBANKS

GARY WILKEN - FAIRBANKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/ A.W.G. HOST SOCIETY

DON CATHER - A.W.G. INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION MEMBER

JIM WHISENHANT - A.W.G. INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION MEMBER

KARL KASSEL - GENERAL MANAGER / 1988 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES HOST SOCIETY

DON COOPER - PRESIDENT INTERNATIONAL A.W.G. CORPORATION

JANET HALVERSON - 1988 A.W.G. HOST SOCIETY - CHAIRPERSON
FAIRBANKS CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

RON DAVIS - 1988 A.W.G. HOST SOCIETY / FAIRBANKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GARY ROTH - HOST SOCIETY - FINANCIAL DIRECTOR -

JANE MCCONKEY - FAIRBANKS HOST SOCIETY

***** ONLY 3 TO 4 OF THE ABOVE WILL ACTUALLY TESTIFY *****
THE OTHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE

SPONSOR'S APPROVAL
[Signature]



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• HONORING •
• THE ATHLETES AND ORGANIZERS OF •
• THE 1988 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES •

The members of the Fifteenth Alaska Legislature join together to honor the athletes and organizers of the 1988 Arctic Winter Games.

Alaska will host the Arctic Winter Games this year in Fairbanks. Athletes from Alaska, Northern Alberta, Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories will join together March 13-18th to compete for gold, silver and bronze medals in a variety of northern sport competition.

The Arctic Winter Games originated from the experiences of northern athletes at the 1967 Canada Winter Games in Quebec City, where participating athletes from the Yukon and Northwest Territories were unable to compete on an equal footing with their southern Canadian rivals. It was recognized that inadequate facilities and training, as well as few opportunities to compete with other athletes at parallel levels of development, created a disproportionate level of competition.

Discussions between Stuart M. Hodgson, Commissioner of the Northwest Territories; James Smith, Commissioner of the Yukon Territory; Walter J. Hickel, Governor of Alaska; and various Canadian Members of Parliament from the north confirmed that adverse conditions for competing athletes existed throughout the north. Further meetings resulted in the formation in April 1969 of the Arctic Winter Games, a competition to be nurtured and promoted by the Arctic Winter Games Corporation.

The games have since become a common ground for promoting cultural and social exchange among the people of the north, and provide a vehicle for education, understanding and friendship among all the people, cultures and races inhabiting the northernmost regions of North America. The lateral exchange between northern neighbors was intended to complement, rather than replace, the north/south competitions, and has become an important annual feature of the athletic and social life in each of the three areas.

This Legislature extends its thanks to the 1988 Arctic Winter Games Host Society in Fairbanks for its excellent efforts in promoting and coordinating this year's games, and to the people of Alaska and Canada for their warm hospitality and spirited financial and volunteer support.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Date

Requested by Senator Fanning

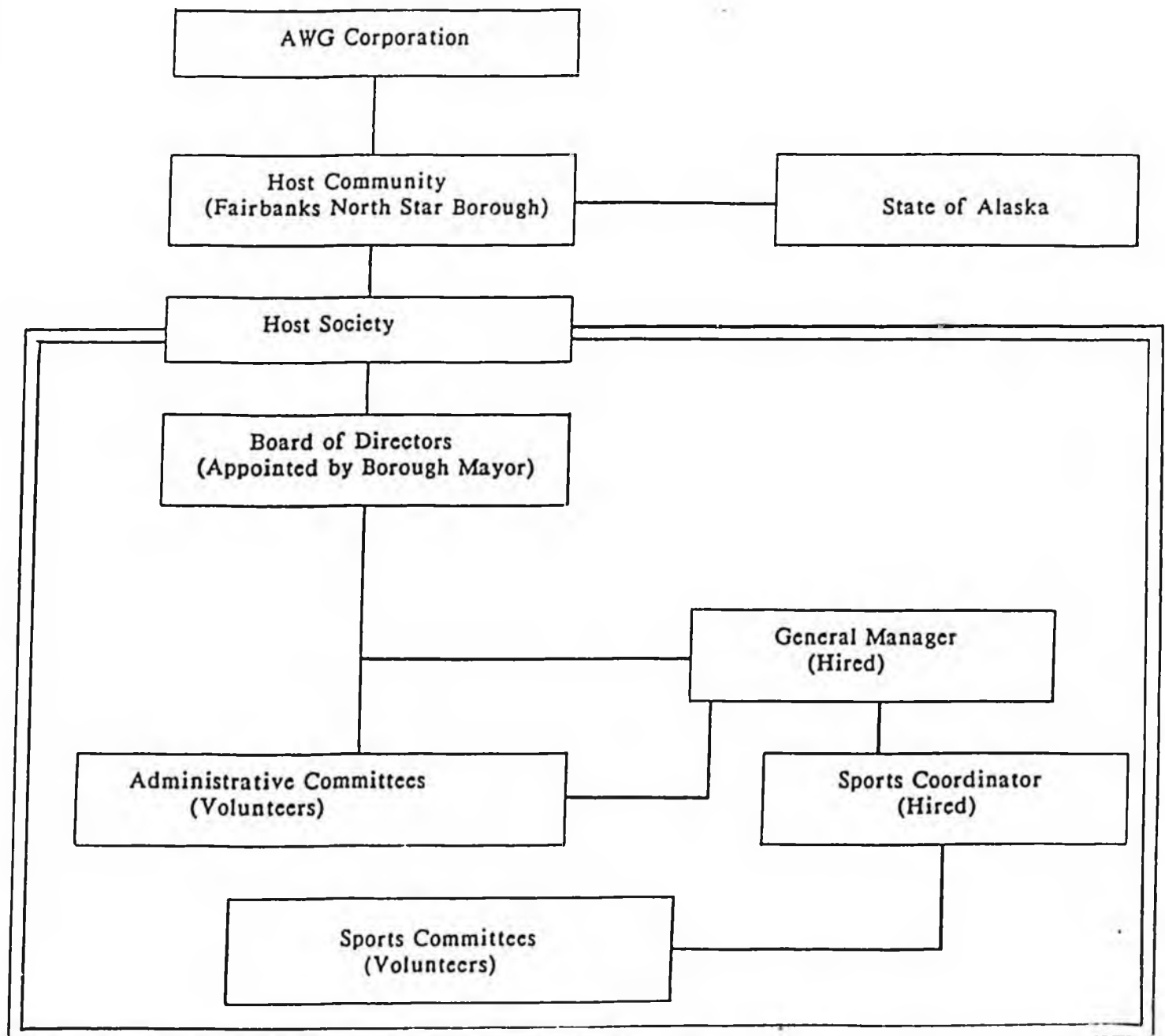
1988 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES

Budget Report - June 1, 1987 thru June 30, 1987

REVENUE:	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>
Borough Grant	\$	\$75,000.00
Contributions		<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE		\$76,000.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	2,898.78	11,386.78
Payroll Taxes		606.88
G.M. Expense Acc't	13.00	31.00
Car Allowance	218.45	218.45
Office Expense	691.71	1,275.42
Postage	68.41	150.15
Telephone & Utilities	583.25	583.25
Office Rent	500.00	1,116.52
Other Rent	150.00	470.00
Insurance	860.00	860.00
Host Society	1,369.18	2,689.43
Off. Furn. & Signs	97.28	566.71
Office Equipment	75.00	175.00
Merchandising	-	1,607.39
Public Relations	-	5.99
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>\$ 7,525.06</u>	<u>\$21,742.97</u>
BALANCE June 30, 1987		<u>\$54,257.03</u>

ARCTIC WINTER GAMES ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

In order to host the Arctic Winter Games, various communities submit bids to the AWG International Corporation, who awards the Games to a host community. The host community enters into a contract with the AWG Corporation and sets up a Host Society to stage the Games. The following is an overview of the Games organization.



ACCOMMODATIONS
CATERING
CEREMONIES AND AWARDS
COMMUNICATIONS
CULTURAL
DECORATIONS
FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING
HOSTS/HOSTESSES
MEDICAL

MERCHANDISING
MEDIA CENTER
PROMOTIONAL
REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION
SECURITY
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES
TRANSPORTATION
VIP/PROTOCOL
WELCOME AND SEND-OFF

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES



1988 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES
Brief Descriptions of Committees

Accommodation Committee

This committee must ensure that suitable accommodation is provided at the expense of the Host Society for all athletes, coaches, managers, mission staff, cultural participants, officials and any high priority VIP's. This committee shall coordinate all hotel bookings and work closely with the Games office staff.

Catering Committee

This committee is responsible for providing nutritional and diverse foods for all athletes, coaches, managers, mission staff, cultural participants, officials and VIP's invited to the Games by the Host Society. The costs of all meals are at the expense of the Host Society. Considerations must be given to the eating habits of northern people and special diet requests. This committee works closely with the general manager in determining the facility, menu, preparation of caterers contract and choosing the caterer. The overall success of the Games is often influenced by the services provided by this committee.

Ceremonies and Awards Committee

This committee is responsible for the planning, organization and implementation of the grand opening and closing ceremonies. They also assist each sport committee with their individual sport opening and closing ceremonies and awards presentations.

Communications Committee

This committee is responsible for all personnel, organization, equipment and maintenance necessary to ensure an effective communications system is in place before and during Games week, with regards to both indoor and outdoor venues.

Cultural Committee

The cultural committee is responsible for the coordination and implementation of the cultural program for the Games. Generally, the cultural program should be a reflection of the cultural activities of the host community with an emphasis on a northern theme. As well as highlighting the local cultural mosaic, consideration should be given to inviting all participating contingents to have representation in the cultural program.

Decorations Committee

This committee is responsible for promoting a cheerful and fraternal atmosphere and a high profile of the Games within the host community.

Finance and Fundraising Committee

It is recommended to have the functions of finance and fundraising combined into one committee. The general task of this committee is to prepare the preliminary budget and subsequent budgets for board approval, petition the various governments for their financial contributions, fundraise, set up a bookkeeping system, oversee the disbursements and monitor the general cash flow of the Games. This committee will work closely with the general manager and board of directors. It is traditional that at least one member of this committee, usually the chairperson, be the treasurer of the board of directors.

Host/Hostesses Committee

This committee is responsible for recruiting, outfitting, training and scheduling hosts/hostesses who act as goodwill ambassadors for the Games, promoting the friendliness of the Games, the host community and helping participants feel at home. This is achieved by accompanying the various contingents to events, greeting the planes, welcoming participants to social events, the athletes' village, and by being present at the dining center, sporting and cultural venues. This committee should have a close relationship with the VIP/Protocol committee.

Medical Committee

The primary duties of the medical committee are to set up and man an infirmary in the athletes' village, to provide qualified medical persons for each venue and to obtain enough supplies to use during the week of the Games. This committee must also help ensure that all AWC participants have medical coverage. Arrangements must be made for access to hospitals and services of the medical community.

Merchandising Committee

This committee is responsible for developing and implementing a plan to produce and distribute souvenir items for the Games. The initial task is to determine the most expedient way to merchandise souvenir items in the community. Some Host Society's will elect to contract the program out to a local wholesaler or others will want to handle the production and distribution themselves. The merchandising group should work closely with the promotions committee.

⊙ Promotional Committee(s)

⊙ Media Center Committee

This committee is responsible for the invitation, registration, and accreditation of print and broadcast media participating in the Games. Adequate working areas and facilities must be arranged for these individuals. The media and results centers are often in the same location.

⊙ Results Center Committee

This committee is responsible for the establishment of a results center through which results of all sport competitions are reported and recorded. The media and results center are often in the same location.

⊙ Ulu News Committee

The Ulu News is the official Games newspaper. There are very few directives from the AWC Corporation on the production of this tabloid, other than that one has to be produced. It is strongly suggested that a committee be struck to do the work prior to the Games and to oversee the actual production of this newspaper. Most often the paper has been produced by professionals who are paid for their services. The work has been put out to tender approximately six months prior to the Games.

Registration and Accreditation Committee

The major duties of this committee include assembling registration kits, registration and accreditation of all participants and distribution of participant certificates.

Security Committee

This committee is responsible for all the security requirements during Games week. The major areas of responsibility are security in the athletes' village (residences and dining center), social events, art exhibitions and special events which require crown control. It is suggested this committee be comprised of mature people preferably with experience in law enforcement. The general overall ambience of the Games may very well be controlled by this committee. It is important to maintain discipline but an over-zealous security committee could spoil the goodwill of the Games. It is the primary role of the chef-de-missions and mission staff for the care and discipline of their participants.

Social Activities Committee

This committee is responsible for the planning, preparation and implementation of social activities for athletes, coaches, managers, mission staff and officials. The other area of responsibility lies in organizing and scheduling the sport banquets.

Transportation Committee

Basically, the transportation committee is in charge of the transportation of all athletes, coaches, managers, cultural participants, mission staff, VIP's, guests, officials, Games office staff and luggage. A transportation office should be set up at or near the athletes' village to coordinate all bus traffic and special transportation requirements. All Games vehicles should be identified by signs in their windows or on the doors.

VIP/Protocol Committee

The VIP/Protocol committee is responsible for the accommodation, transportation, recognition, participation of VIP's invited to the Games by the Host Society. This committee also coordinates Games receptions.

Welcome and Send-Off Committee

This committee is responsible for the welcome and send-off of all Games participants as authorized by the technical package, VIP's and, wherever possible, visitors to the Games. Included under participants are: athletes, coaches, managers, mission staff, officials, and cultural participants. This committee shall also produce a welcome booklet for the Games.

The Back Page

Sunday, March 15, 1987



PLEASED WITH FACILITIES—The Arctic Winter Games Corp.'s board of directors took a tour of local facilities to be used for the 1988 games and was pleased with what Fairbanks had to offer. Board members, from left, are Dwight Gianski, Northern Alberta; Jim Whisenant, Fairbanks; Don Cooper, Yellowknife, N.W.T.; Gerry Thick, Whitehorse, Y.T.; Don Cather, Anchorage; Dennis Adams, Yellowknife, N.W.T.; and Tom O'Hara, Whitehorse, Y.T.

Mike Helrose Daily News Miner

Arctic Games board lauds facilities, asks questions

By JOHN FRIDRICH
Staff Writer

The Arctic Winter Games Corp.'s board of directors, in Fairbanks this week to check the progress of local efforts to host the games in March 1988, asked plenty of questions Friday as they toured facilities that will be used to stage the 10th games and made a number of complimentary remarks.

"Perfect," said Don Cooper in describing Hering Auditorium, a

1,320-seat theater at Lathrop high that was recently renovated. "This would probably be OK for most of the Arctic events," noted Dennis Adams, the second board member from Northwest Territories.

Since 1970, the games have been held every other year, alternating between Alaska, the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories. An opportunity for people from the Far North to share their cultural

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heritage, express international goodwill and engage in athletic competition, the games are scheduled to be held in Fairbanks next March.

"To see the venues, meet with the host society and monitor the progress the host society is making in organizing the games," Cooper, the corporation president, said of the group's purpose in Fairbanks.

More than 900 athletes, coaches and officials from out of town will converge on the Golden Heart City beginning March 13, 1988. The influx requires making arrangements to feed, house, entertain and transport the visitors during their week-long stay.

The corporation's seven-member board of directors spent about 45 minutes Friday walking through Lathrop, where many of the athletes and coaches will be housed and fed, and sporting activities held. They asked questions about the square footage of the gym, the cafeteria's capacity, provisions for a lounge and the proximity of other facilities.

Local schools will not be in session during the week of the games to provide room for visiting athletes and officials.

Although board members wanted to know about the arrangements being made, of greater concern is the lack of a contract between the corporation and the borough to stage the games. The borough assembly has been reluctant to approve signing a contract because they don't know where the money to pay for the games is coming from, and the contract obligates them to be responsible for all costs. The corporation was established to ensure the continuity of the event.

Local officials are hoping the State Legislature will allocate \$550,000 to run the event, but given

the uncertainty of the state's finances, that money may not materialize, or it could be substantially reduced. Either way, the host society probably won't know if the money is available or not until late May.

"At that point in time, we do not think we could make other arrangements to stage the games elsewhere in time," said Cooper, a resident of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, adding there is the possibility that the games won't be held next March.

On another issue, Cooper said the scheduling of another major event during the Arctic Winter Games, which corporation policy discourages, will not be a problem. The North American Sled Dog Championships will be held during the games in 1988. "We think that won't interfere with the Arctic Winter Games," he said. "It could serve as a nice complement to the games."

Athletes from northern Alberta will be making a second appearance at the games, increasing their numbers to around 100. No word has been received from Quebec, which sent a small contingent to Whitehorse in 1986, Cooper said.

Joining Cooper and Adams in Fairbanks were board members Dwight Ganske, representing northern Alberta, Gerry Thick and Tom O'Hara from the Yukon; Don Cather of Anchorage and Jim Whisenant of Fairbanks.

With the exception of broomball, which has been added, and women's hockey, which was dropped, there are no changes from 1986 in the sports that will be contested.

Competition will be held in Arctic sports, badminton, basketball, Nordic skiing, curling, figure skating, gymnastics, ice hockey, indoor soccer, silhouette shooting, ski biathlon, snowshoe biathlon, snowshoeing, speedskating, team biathlon and volleyball.

Arctic Games backers seek funds for competition

By JOHN FRIDRICH
Staff Writer

With Fairbanks slated to host the 10th Arctic Winter Games in March 1988, and no funds in hand to put on the week-long event, officials from several organizations involved in the biennial competition and cultural gathering are beginning to get a little bit nervous.

And because so many disparate parts must fall into place in the near future, the effort has taken on a Catch 22 twist.

The Arctic Winter Games Corp., which oversees the event but has no money to stage the games, is nervous because no contract has been signed between the borough and the corporation. The corporation was set up to ensure the continuity of the games.

The borough assembly has

balked at entering into a contract because, as written, it obligates them to be responsible for all costs and they're not sure where the money will come from.

The local AWG host society is also anxious because it is responsible for putting on the games and the organization is counting on money from the state Legislature for a large part of its funds.

Members of the host society board of directors have been working with Sen. Don Bennett of Fairbanks, who plans to try and get a special appropriation of \$550,000 to fund the games, according to Janice Adair, a Bennett staff member.

Several years ago, the state Legislature passed a resolution supporting Alaska's effort the next time the state hosted the games,

but this is a different Legislature, one that is faced with a sharp decline in the amount of money it has to allocate, adding significantly to the uncertainty.

Although sales of pins and posters, in-kind and corporate donations are an integral part of the fund-raising, the host society is counting on legislative funds to lay the ground work.

"We're very anxious about the appropriations bill that's in there because we really need the money," said Gary Roth, treasurer of the host society's 13-member board of directors. "The budget frustration we have is as they get down towards the end (of the session in May), when they slice up the pie, we're not sure how much we'll have appropriated."

Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, site of the 1986 AWG, spent in the neighborhood of \$800,000 to stage the games, a figure that included substantial in-kind donations.

A bill introduced this session by Bennett, that would allow Alaska residents to donate \$5 of their Permanent Fund Dividend check to the games, won't do any good this year because the 1987 dividend applications have already been printed, according to Colleen Brown of the state Department of Revenue.

Despite the uncertainties, plans are proceeding and the host society is expected to name someone to coordinate the games next week. The AWG corporation is scheduled to meet in Fairbanks Friday and Saturday and will hold discussions with the host society.

"We're going ahead as a host society as if this is going to fall into place," Roth said.

A biennial gathering of athletes that offers residents of the Far North an opportunity to compete against one another and share their diverse cultural backgrounds, the AWG are rotated among the three countries that have participated since the games were first held in 1970. Fairbanks hosted the AWG in 1982 and was selected during the 1986 games in Whitehorse to hold the 1988 event. Yellowknife, Northwest Territories was host in 1984.

Jim Whisenant, vice-president of the AWG corporation and Fairbanks resident, said he sees preparations are under way, but AWG board members who live in the Yukon or Northwest Territories don't see those events unfolding.

"I can understand their feeling," he said. "I would have the same feeling if Northwest Territories or the Yukon had not signed. . . . That has never been a problem in the past and, yes, the corporation is concerned about it. Normally, by this time a contract has been signed."

Another concern is the scheduled dates for the games. The 10th AWG begins March 13, 1988 and ends March 20, dates that were set when Fairbanks made its bid in Whitehorse last year. The corporation's policy says the host city should not have another major event taking place during the AWG, and the North American Sled Dog Championships are scheduled that week. "We do have a problem," Whisenant said. "I'm not sure it's an unsurmountable problem."

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OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
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