

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF GEOLOGICAL & GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

Geological Mapping Advisory Board Minutes  
October 11, 2018 Meeting

The Alaska Geological Mapping Advisory Board held its winter meeting on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. This meeting was held in Fairbanks, Alaska in the DGGs Conference Room, lower floor at 3354 College Road, and at the Geologic Materials Center (GMC) Large Conference Room at 3651 Penland Parkway, Anchorage.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

**Board Members:**

Present were board members Margaret Darrow, Tom Homza, Curtis Freeman, Greg Wilson, James Jones, and Steve Adamczak.

**DGGs Staff:** DGGs staff in Fairbanks and Anchorage attended.

**Guests:** None

**Agenda:** James Jones moved and Margaret Darrow seconded to approve the meeting agenda. All in favor: agenda approved, no changes.

**Minutes (January 30, 2018 Meeting):** To be approved at the next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Status of FY-18 StateMap Proposal and Funding – Steve Masterman:** Review of federal StateMap program. The StateMap program is authorized under the National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program Act. That act should be reauthorized in 2018.

**Summary of Tanacross Field Work – Alicja Wypych:** Described field project goals and activities. Identification of structures, surficial geology, mineralization and potential. Questions and discussion followed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2019 StateMap Project Presentation – David LePain:** Summary proposal for a two-year project in the North Slope Foothills. Includes Big Bend and Shale Wall Bluff, geologic history of the area, what is known of the structures, surficial geology, stratigraphy and economic significance. Responses to board member questions.

**BREAK**

**3DEEP National Mineral Security Program- Steve Masterman:** Update and current plan for potential federal funding. Discussion by board members.

**DGGs Data Preservation – Simone Montayne and Susan Seitz:** Summary and discussion of projects. Asked for board member input on prioritizing projects. Board will wait to respond pending further information.

**Public Comments:** None

**Board Feedback and Comments:** Greg Wilson commented that industry now relies more on the state to do ground reconnaissance and that the North Slope work will generate interest. James Jones suggested continued coordination as 3DEEP moves forward. Curt Freeman pointed out that an increasing number of smaller companies are participating in exploration in the state which is a positive development. Discussion of potential board members. Current members are to forward potential names.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. by Curt Freeman.