

# BBNC Concerned About Fish

## — Directors Review No-Fishing Possibility

The Bristol Bay Native Corporation Board of Directors met in Dillingham Jan. 17-18, to discuss items of vital concern regarding the economy of Bristol Bay. The board is concerned about the possibility that Bristol Bay people will not fish this year.

Governor Egan was invited to attend this meeting, but could not be present due to pressing business at the Capitol. Clark Boston was present to represent the governor.

The Bristol Bay Native Corporation Investment Portfolio was reviewed with Gary Coburn of Scudder, Stevens, and Clark. The corporation's responsibilities under Section 8 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act was discussed and a procedure for approving budgets was estab-

lished.

Plans for the upcoming Shareholders meeting were outlined and a tentative date of March 2-3 still stands.

A nominating committee was appointed to begin the process of preparing ballots for the election of board members as well as other activities related to preparation for the Shareholders meeting.

The board also reviewed the Bristol Bay Native Corporation office building plans.

The board voiced their concerns for Bristol Bay to the governor's representative in the event there is no fishing. Questions regarding legislation to alleviate the impact of replacing income normally earned was discussed.

In addition the board was

interested in what the governor will do if the Japanese continue their high seas effort of catching Bristol Bay salmon.

Finally the board passed a resolution supporting the Bristol Bay Area Development Corporation in their efforts to hold a Bristol Bay International Marine Fisheries Conference in Bristol Bay.

