



**NANA BOARD POSES FOR PICTURE AT AMBLER** — Standing Left to Right: Willie Goodwin, Sigwein Savok, Wilson Tickett, John Schaeffer, Jack Penn, Tommy Sheldon, Stanley Custer, Emerson Moto. Sitting Left to Right: Roland Booth, Robert Newlin, Lena McClellan, Vincent Schurech, David Swan, Grant Ballot.

# Kikiktugruk Corp.--

## And NANA Hold Meet at Ambler

Mike Harper, Rural CAP Planning Developer, was recently invited to attend the meetings of the Kikiktugruk Regional Development Corporation and Northwest Alaska Native Association (NANA) April 8 and 9.

The Kikiktugruk portion of the meeting and one NANA session was held at Ambler. The other sessions were held at Shungnak and Kobuk.

The importance of the Citizen's Participation Conference (CPC) was discussed at length. Roland Booth will be the Kotzebue region representative for the next meeting with Vincent Schurech as alternate.

A motion was passed that possibly two or three members of the NANA board would represent the Kotzebue region in Juneau in an attempt to gain passage of bills directly effecting the region.

This will present an opportunity to learn the legislative processes and will provide village input toward future legislation.

Newly elected officers to the Kikiktugruk Board of Directors were: Robert Newlin, Noorvik,

re-elected President; Stanley Custer, Shungnak, Vice-President; Wilson Tickett, Kobuk, Secretary; Jean Geffe, Kiana, Corresponding Secretary, and Sig Savok, Buckland, Treasurer.

The Saturday evening session of the meeting was devoted entirely to land claims analysis in a question and answer period. The following day was devoted to wrapping up land claims questions and getting into committee meetings in education, health and family services, land selection housing, housing, and regional government.

Robert Schaeffer, regional director of the Kikiktugruk Regional Development Corporation was given a vote of confidence by his board in the form of an above-average yearly evaluation.

Mr. Harper observed a close cooperation between Rural CAP's Kikiktugruk Development Corporation and the Northwest Alaska Native Association.

The combined effort is resulting in effective village hearings on the explanation of the land claims.