

Six Sealaska Corp. board members elected in Kake

KAKE — Six Sealaska Corp. board members were re-elected to the Board of Directors at the corporation's 13th Annual Meeting here earlier this month.

Re-elected for three-year terms ending in 1989 were Joseph Demmert Jr. of Ketchikan, Clarence Jackson Sr. of Kake, Marlene A. Johnson of Hoonah, Joseph E. Kahklen Jr. of Juneau, Byron I. Mallott of Yakutat and Dr. Walter A. Soboleff of Tenakee Springs.

More than 61 percent of the shareholders of Sealaska Corp. were represented in person or by proxy at the meeting.

This was the second time that the annual meeting was held in one of the villages of the Sealaska region. The 1983 meeting was held in Saxman.

Kake, home of 396 Sealaska shareholders, is the location for two of Sealaska's principal businesses, Kurpreanof Seafoods, an operation of

Sealaska's subsidiary Ocean Beauty Seafoods Inc., is based here. Also, Sealaska Timber Corp. markets timber in the Kake vicinity.

"We felt that this meeting in Kake was symbolic of our relationship with our villages, especially in light of the theme for this year's annual meeting — '1991 — The Land — The People,'" said Mallott.

Kake Tribal Corp. held a banquet for those who attended the meeting. During the banquet, KTC board members presented a ceremonial paddle to Sealaska Corp.

They then presented a paddle to each guest. The paddles were made by KTC shareholders from yellow cedar from the village corporation's timber operations.

A card accompanying the paddle said, "The gift of a paddle in our culture means we wish you a pleasant journey throughout your life."