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FNA to Discuss Buying TT Stock At Meet May 14

Fairbanks Native Association board of directors has recommended that the organization buy shares of stock from the Eskimo, Indian, Aleut Publishing Co. that publishes the Tundra Times.

The recommendation will be brought up before the general meeting of the organization on Tuesday May 14.

The stock-buying plan was brought before the FNA president Richard Frank when the board met recently.

"We are trying to help the Tundra Times because we feel that this is the only paper that reaches the greater part of the native population in the state," stated Mrs. Mary Jane Fate, FNA board member.

"I feel that our people

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should take advantage of this paper to strengthen communication among our people," she added.

The FNA board did not set a figure but the amount will be considered and discussed at the May 14 meeting.

Mary Jane Fate said that the board wants the buying of stock a yearly occurrence and the amount of stock will depend on the organization's proposed yearly budget.

The FNA budget fluctuates from year to year depending on what activities the organization does within each year. Among other things, the FNA has a scholarship program for native students.

Mary Jane Fate brought up another subject that might help the Tundra Times' circulation. She thought that

there might be a way to reach out-of-state Alaska natives and former Alaskan non-natives so they can be encouraged to subscribe to the paper.

She said she was in San Francisco to attend a conference recently where she met some Alaska natives.

"I was surprised to learn what lack of up-to-date information these people had," she said. "In other words, they were starved for any news and changes in the state concerning our people.

"These former Alaskans should be aware that a paper like the Tundra Times is being published and which would be a good source of information for them in the Lower States."