

# ANF board re-elects Hope, sets priorities

The Alaska Federation of Natives' Human Resources Board elected their officers during their February meeting in Juneau. Tlingit and Haida Central Council President John Hope was re-elected Chairman, Caleb Pungowiyi to vice chairman and Greg Breslford to the office of secretary/treasurer.

Two regulations were adopted by the Human Resources Board: 1) to establish the Alaska Native Employment Rights Planning Committee (ANERPC) and 2) a request that the AFN administration take a lead in testifying at the 1983 Federal Budget Hearings in Washington, D.C.

The ANERPC was formed

shortly after the 1980 AFN convention and is a network of various non-profit associations that deal with manpower, employment, training or employment rights. Presently, Cook Inlet Native Association, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Alaska Village Council Presidents, Inupiat Community of Arctic Slope, Bristol Bay Native Association and Tlingit-Haida Central Council are participating. The function of the ANERPC is to advocate the protection of Native rights and to seek the implementation of Section 7 (b) of Public Law 93-638, "Indian Preference" in employment and con-

tracting.

The Human Resources Board took affirmative action on the ANERPC's petition to gain formal standing as an advisory group to the Board in those areas of Native employment and Indian preference.

AFN convention resolutions referred for the Human Resources Board action, 81-66 and 81-67 were adopted. Resolution 81-66 was referred to the Board for support of the Association for Stranded Rural Alaskans, and resolution 81-67, requested financial support for regional alcoholism and drug abuse programs and regional training programs.



John Hope