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## PACIFIC PRAWN FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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# BOARD REPORT

*A BRIEF SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETINGS*

The Board and Prawn Industry Caucus (PIC) met by teleconference on January 16, 2017 at 7:00 AM. The following issues were discussed.

### **1. Caucus meeting with DFO.**

The Board discussed this January 11 meeting with DFO and 8 fishermen. A petition with 57 signatures was presented to DFO. Dissatisfaction with the PPFA was expressed generally and specifically the perception that the PPFA was trying to get rid of the PIC and that key issues and decisions were being withheld from the PIC and fleet.

This was denied in the strongest possible terms by the Board.

### **2. Improving Communications**

The Board and PIC discussed communication strategies undertaken in the past and what was currently being done. The only change was the addition of the website. There was a willingness to improve communications however and various strategies were discussed. The development of a more comprehensive listserv facilitating periodic email communication was one strategy and a second, relating to using the website more effectively, were agreed to be next steps.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 AM