

**FINAL SUMMARY REPORT  
ADVISORY PANEL SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**Cocoa Beach, Florida**

**June 14, 2016**

The Advisory Panel Selection Committee met June 14, 2016 and reviewed options for having fishing interest representation on the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel and the Information & Education Advisory Panel. The committee also reviewed proposed changes to the advisory panel application form to further specify details for SEDAR Pool applicants and requirements for advisory panel applicants to have access to a working email account and internet access. The committee discussed the need for advisory panel members to have timely access to meeting materials and correspondence with staff via email and the Council's website.

The Committee also discussed the need to continue to provide opportunities for appointments to advisory panels to represent the Council's jurisdictional range for species such as cobia and dolphin, noting the current designation of a Mid-Atlantic representative on the Coastal Migratory Pelagics Advisory Panel.

**The Committee voted on the following motions as recommendations to the Council:**

**MOTION #1:** Add a new seat to the Information and Education Advisory Panel and to the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel for fishing representatives.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Add two new seats to the Information and Education Advisory Panel and to the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel for fishing representatives from each sector.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

**MOTION #2:** Require access to a working email address and internet access for advisory panel applicants.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

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**MOTION #3:** Add two new seats on the Dolphin Wahoo Advisory Panel for a member within the Mid-Atlantic and New England jurisdictions.

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**DIRECTION TO STAFF:**

- Work with the Mid-Atlantic and New England Council staff to publicize open seats and solicit applicants for the Council's advisory panels as appropriate.

- Clarify when publicizing open seat on the advisory panels that applicants must have access to a “working” email account for correspondence and that it may be a shared account with another family member, etc.