

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Directors**  
**National Propane Gas Association**  
**February 1, 2022**  
Rancho Mirage, California

Call to Order. Chair Robert Barry called the meeting of the NPGA Board of Directors to order at 9:33 am and welcomed all to the Winter Board of Directors meeting. Western PGA Chair Julie Johnson offered welcome remarks and the invocation. Chair Barry then led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Each NPGA officer introduced themselves along with NPGA President & CEO, Steve Kaminski.

Chair Barry thanked Bergquist Inc. and Quality Steel for sponsoring the Chair's Reception the previous evening; RegO for sponsoring Monday's Scholarship Steering Committee breakfast, and Ray Murray, Inc. for sponsoring the morning's coffee.

He next thanked PropanePAC Administrative Fund sponsors AmeriGas Propane LP, Bergquist Inc., the Missouri Propane Gas Association, and Ray Murray Inc. for their \$5,000 PACage sponsorships; Boehlke Bottled Gas, DCC Propane, Energy Distribution Partners, Kindsvatter Dalling & Associates, and the Michigan Propane Gas Association for their \$2,500 PACage sponsorships; and the Alabama Propane Gas Association, Iowa Propane Gas Association, IPS Equipment, McMahan's Bottle Gas, Otodata, Quality Steel, Tennessee Propane Gas Association, and the Wisconsin Propane Gas Association for their \$1,000 PACage sponsorships.

1. Approval of Minutes.

The Board:

VOTED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE October 22, 2021 MEETING.

2. Election of New Directors.

Chair Barry recognized Director Randy Sams to nominate Mr. Shane Fortner of Fortner Gas as the Kentucky State Director to fill the vacant position left due to Jennifer Baxter's retirement. The Board:

VOTED TO APPROVE MR. FORTNER TO SERVE AS THE KENTUCKY STATE DIRECTOR.

3. Chair's Report.

Chair Barry delivered the Chair's Report. He shared the importance of advocacy to promote the role of propane in reducing carbon emissions, improving energy efficiency, and providing equitable energy options.

4. Executive Committee Report.

Chair-Elect, Michelle Bimson Maggi delivered the Executive Committee Report. She shared her gratitude for the active participation of Executive Committee members. Ms. Bimson Maggi also reported on the progress of member outreach, discussion on Hours-of-Service regulatory waivers, and execution of infrastructure funds. She also shared review of the virtual and in-person schedules for Board of Directors meetings. Ms. Bimson Maggi also

reported that the Personnel Subcommittee recommended the Executive Committee renew Mr. Stephen Kaminski's contract to serve as President & CEO through 2027.

5. PERC Selection Committee Report.

NPGA Vice Chair Jeff Stewart directed everyone to Tab C for the PERC Selection Committee Report.

6. Treasurer's Report.

NPGA Treasurer, Mr. Tom Van Buren delivered the Treasurer's Report. He shared an overview of the financial information presented in the Board materials.

7. President's Report.

NPGA President, Mr. Steve Kaminski delivered the President's Report. He shared the multi-billion-dollar Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and efforts by the advocacy team to secure the funds for propane projects. He also shared activities in standards and codes at the federal as well as state level in more than a dozen committees. Mr. Kaminski summarized the activities by the state affairs team at state legislators and public utilities. He also shared an update on the development of Entry-Level Driver Training, and engagement across several federal regulatory agencies.

8. Standing Committee Reports.

Chair Barry announced that with the exception of the PAC Steering Committee, there would be no oral standing committee reports. He referred the Board to the appropriate tab in the Board materials.

- a. **PropanePAC Steering Committee Report.** Mr. Chad Kroening provided the report of the PropanePAC Steering Committee, referring to Tab M for more specifics. Mr. Kroening emphasized the value of full participation among members in the PAC to succeed in legislative activities.

9. Other Reports.

Chair Barry explained that there would be no oral reports for the PERC, NPGF Scholarship Committee, or for the Benchmarking, Cylinder Exchange, or Women in Propane Business Councils and asked the Board to refer to the appropriate in the Board materials.

10. New Business.

There was no new business for the Board.

11. Notification of Next Meeting.

Chair Barry announced that the next Board of Directors meeting would be held on June 8 – 10, 2022 in Washington DC as part of Propane Days.

12. Adjournment.

Chair Barry adjourned the meeting at 11:00 am Pacific.