

MINUTES
Board of Directors
National Propane Gas Association
June 10, 2022
Omni Shoreham – Washington, DC

Call to Order. Chair Robert Barry called the meeting of the NPGA Board of Directors to order at 9:56 am EDT. Maryland Director Nash McMahan then gave the welcome and invocation.

Chair Barry then highlighted and referred Board members to the Association's antitrust policy. Each NPGA Board officer was present and introduced themselves to the Board, along with NPGA President & CEO, Steve Kaminski.

Chair Barry thanked Bergquist Inc. and Quality Steel for sponsoring the Policy Forum the day before, and Bergquist and Ray Murray for sponsoring the day's Annual meeting and Board of Directors meeting. Next, the corporate sponsors of the NPGA PropanePAC Administrative Fund were recognized.

Chair Barry shared the below matters would be subject to an online vote in accordance with the Rules & Procedures during the week of June 13, 2022.

Approval of Minutes. The Board:

VOTED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2022 MEETING.

Election of New Directors.

Chair Barry recognized Mr. Matt Dantine, CEO of DCC Propane, to nominate Mr. Alan Martin of DCC Propane as the Colorado State Director to fill the vacancy left by Randy Crane. The Board:

VOTED TO APPROVE MR. MARTIN TO SERVE AS THE COLORADO STATE DIRECTOR.

Chair Barry recognized Ms. Judy Taranovich, Vermont State Director, to nominate Mr. David Gable of Hocon Gas as the Connecticut State Director to fill the vacancy left by Richard Rowan's retirement. The Board:

VOTED TO APPROVE MR. GABLE TO SERVE AS THE CONNECTICUT STATE DIRECTOR.

Chair Barry announced that Mr. Mark Wood of SchagrinGAS had become the Delaware State Director due to Mr. Andy Lambert's retirement from SchagrinGAS.

Chair Barry announced that Ms. Erin Kaegebein of BP Energy was now a Producers & Wholesalers Section Director, replacing Mr. Kim Colburn who also retired.

Chair Barry announced that Mr. Jeff Pinter of NGL Energy Partners had become a Producers & Wholesalers Section Director, replacing Aaron Reece who is no longer with NGL.

Chair's Report. Chair Barry delivered a report emphasizing the necessity of the propane industry to engage in climate solution development. He praised the efforts of the industry, state associations, PERC and NPGA. He stressed the importance of continued engagement.

Award Announcements. Chair Barry then recognized five individuals for their contributions to the industry with a Chair's Citation: Mr. David Bertelsen (Matheson Tri-Gas); Mr. Kim Colburn (retired from BP Energy); Mr. Andy Lambert (SchagrinGAS); Mr. Bruce Montroy (Bergquist); and Ms. Leslie Woodward (Fairview USA).

He then awarded Mr. Joe Buschur (McMahan's Bottle Gas), Ohio State Director, with the 2021 State Director of the Year award.

Chair Farewell Remarks. Chair Barry gave farewell comments that included his appreciation to participate in the leadership role on behalf of the propane industry.

Chair-Elect Michelle Bimson Maggi then made a point of personal privilege to present Chair Barry and his spouse with a plaque and gifts to recognize his leadership as Board Chair.

She then called on Ms. Rosie Buschur of the Scholarship Committee who presented Ms. Linda Barry with a gift.

Executive Committee Report. Chair-Elect Bimson Maggi reported that the Committee discussed a variety of topics including the infrastructure package, the ACE Services program, state issues for additional support, and membership outreach. Chair-Elect Bimson Maggi shared her appreciation for the commitment and involvement of Executive Committee members. She also shared her appointments to the NPGA Committees.

PERC Selection Committee Report. Vice Chair Stewart presented the report, highlighting that the PERC Selection Committee had selected the following individuals to serve as Marketer Councilors on the Board of the Propane Education and Research Council: Kevin Cobb (Suburban Propane); Trent Hampton (Lakes Gas); Mr. Chris Hill (Meritum Energy); and Mr. Jeff Kerns (Thompson Gas).

Treasurer's Report and Audit Report. Treasurer Van Buren provided the Board with a summary of the financial status of the Association.

President's Report. President Kaminski initiated his report with a moment of silence to recognize the recent loss of Mr. Doug Auxier, and Ms. Laura Caldarera, wife of NPGA Senior Vice President Michael Caldarera. He reported on the Association's engagement with industry, including concluded discussions with state/regional associations to ensure continued affiliation. Mr. Kaminski also announced the return of Ferrell Gas to NPGA's Membership as of August 31, 2022. He shared a summary of priority items among the Association's federal advocacy efforts as well as the locations of upcoming Board of Directors meetings and the Propane Expo.

Standing Committee Reports. Chair Barry announced that, with the exception of the Audit Committee report, there would be no oral standing committee reports. Board members were asked to refer to their Board materials for information on recent committee action.

Audit Committee Report. Mr. Randy Doyle noted that the Committee reviewed with the new auditors from Rogers and Company the NPGA Consolidated Financial Statements and PAC Financial Statements for the years ending February 28, 2022 and December 31, 2021,

respectively. He noted that there was no audit adjustments or corrections made to either sets of financial statements and that both sets of financial statements received an unmodified opinion, the most favorable opinion possible on audited financial statements. The Board:
VOTED TO APPROVE THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT.

Mr. Doyle was then recognized for his leadership as chair of the Audit Committee over the past three years.

Ms. Stephanie Hennen was recognized for her leadership as chair of the Convention Committee for the past two years.

Mr. Stuart Weidie was then recognized for his leadership as chair of the DSA Committee for the past year.

Mr. Michael Hopsicker was recognized for his leadership as chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee for the past two years.

Ms. DD Alexander was then recognized for her leadership as chair of the Member Services Committee for the past year.

PropanePAC Steering Committee Report. Mr. Chad Kroening shared his appreciation for the participation of companies in contributing to the success of the PropanePAC. He also shared his appreciation for the efforts of Ms. Kate Singleton, as the new PAC Manager, and the eagerness of Ms. Stephanie Hennen to continue the growth of the PropanePAC. Mr. Chad Kroening was then recognized for his leadership as chair of the PropanePAC Steering Committee over the past three years.

Other Reports. Chair Barry referred Board members to the Board materials for information regarding the recent actions of the NPGF Scholarship Committee, the NPGA Benchmarking, Cylinder Exchange and Women in Propane Councils, and an update on the activities of the Propane Education and Research Council. No oral reports were given for any of the aforementioned groups.

Old Business. There was no old business.

New Business. Chair Barry stated that the 2022 elections for Board of Directors seats took place earlier in the year and the tabulated results were certified according to the *Rules and Procedures* of the Association. The results were presented at the Annual Meeting, and were part of the Board material under Tab S. He also noted the newly-appointed Directors joining the Board, including new committee chairs and at-large director appointments made by Chair-Elect, Michelle Bimson Maggi would become effective at the end of the meeting.

Election of Corporate Officers. Ms. Tony Crow, Illinois State Director, nominated Mr. Brian Dunlap, Ms. Sarah J. Reboli and Ms. Christine Hutcherson to serve as Assistant Treasurer, Corporate Secretary and Assistant Corporate Secretary, respectively. The Board:
VOTED TO APPROVE THE CORPORATE OFFICER NOMINATIONS.

Election of NPGA officers.

1. Mr. Ray Murray (Emeritus Director) nominated **Mr. Michael Hopsicker** to serve as NPGA Treasurer and Ms. Christina Armentano (Director-at-Large) seconded the nomination.
2. Ms. DD Alexander (Producers & Wholesalers Director and Member Services Chair) nominated **Mr. Thomas Van Buren** to serve as NPGA Vice Chair.
3. Mr. Tom Manson (District 8 Director) nominated **Mr. Jeffrey Stewart** to serve as NPGA Chair-Elect, and Mr. David Gable (Connecticut State Director) seconded the nomination.
4. Chair Barry noted that the NPGA *Constitution* provides for the automatic ascension of **Ms. Michelle Bimson Maggi** to the position of NPGA Board Chair.

Administration of Oath of Office. Chair Barry administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers for the 2022 - 2023 association year.

New Board Chair's Address. New Board Chair Bimson Maggi addressed the Board regarding her goals for her year as NPGA Chair. She shared a passage from President Teddy Roosevelt's famous speech, The Man in the Arena, and her appreciation of many in the industry who have assisted her in participating in NPGA. She expressed her appreciation to the new leaders on Committees, the Board, and the Officers, as well as her enthusiasm to meet more of the industry over the next year in her role as Chair of the National Propane Gas Association.

Notification of Next Meeting. Immediate Past Chair Barry announced that the next meeting would be held September 26 - 28, 2022 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Adjournment. Without objection, Immediate Past Chair Barry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:43 am EDT.