

Northwest Automotive Trades Association

Annual Board of Directors Meeting

January 24, 2009

PRESENT: Bob Anderson, Jeff Asher, Ross Bradshaw, Kurt Garbe, Jim Jones, Ron Reichen, Catherine Skiens, Jerry Titus, Mary Ann Trout

ABSENT: Frank Bowen, Rick Field, Jerry Geiszler, Sharree Strausbaugh, Vince Vierck

LOBBYIST: Darrell Fuller

STAFF: Barbara Crest

GUEST: Spencer Hodes

President Bob Anderson called the annual Board of Directors meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. and noted a quorum of Board members in attendance at the corporate headquarters of Northwest Automotive Trades Assn., 1710 NE 82nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97220.

Kurt Garbe moved and Mary Ann Trout seconded a motion to approve the minutes of October 8, 2008; the Board voted the motion unanimously.

Ross Bradshaw moved and Mary Ann Trout seconded a motion to accept the vote of membership by ballot for the NATA Board of Directors for 2009: Bob Anderson, Jeff Asher, Ross Bradshaw, Frank Bowen, Rick Field, Kurt Garbe, Jerry Geiszler, Jim Jones, Ron Reichen, Catherine Skiens, Sharree Strausbaugh, Jerry Titus, Mary Ann Trout, Vince Vierck; the Board voted the motion unanimously.

Election of Officers for 2009: Kurt Garbe moved and Jim Jones seconded a motion to elect Bob Anderson President; the Board voted the motion unanimously. Mary Ann Trout moved and Kurt Garbe seconded a motion to elect Ross Bradshaw Vice President; the Board voted the motion unanimously. Catherine Skiens moved and Ross Bradshaw seconded a motion to elect Rick Field as Secretary; the Board voted the motion unanimously. Catherine Skiens moved and Ross Bradshaw seconded a motion to elect Kurt Garbe as Treasurer; the Board voted the motion unanimously.

Barbara Crest reviewed the Strategic Planning Report with the Board, noting staff's work in priority areas: Advocate for and Support Statewide Automotive Education in High Schools and Community Colleges in Oregon and SW Washington; NATA will be the center of statewide communications to bring automotive training events to the attention of members; NATA will establish a "go to" relationship with members of the Oregon State Legislature, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, the P20 environmental group (for Eco-Biz

program), and other state agencies looking for information about the automotive industry in Oregon; and NATA will provide our membership excellent benefits and services.

Legislative Committee Chair Mary Ann Trout and NATA lobbyist Darrell Fuller reported on the start of Oregon's 2009 Legislative Session in Salem. Jeff Asher reported on his work on "The Move Over Law," tower liability while cleaning up highways, and tower licensing. Ross Bradshaw moved and Ron Reichen seconded a motion to work with the Tower's Association for licensing and regulation in the 2011 session; the Board voted the motion unanimously. Metal theft and scrap metal bills and mechanical lien bills have or will be introduced. Mary Ann Trout will keep the Board posted as the Legislative Session continues.

Treasurer Kurt Garbe reviewed the 2008 year-end financial reports with the Board, noted NATA's cash investments have declined by about 20%, and also noted the investment climate in the stock market is very negative. Otherwise, the NATA financials continue to look positive.

Catherine Skiens moved and Ross Bradshaw seconded a motion to appoint Spencer Hodes, Transmission Exchange, as OATA's fourth Board member to a 2-year term, the NATA Board voted unanimously for this appointment.

Other Business: Bob Anderson noted a change in the automotive marketplace, and suggested a different approach may be needed in the next few years to adjust to this change.

Catherine Skiens moved and Kurt Garbe seconded a motion to adjourn the annual meeting at 4:05 p.m.; the Board voted the motion unanimously.