



2016 WBA Slate of Officers & Directors Announced

The WBA Nominating Committee has set a slate of officers and directors for consideration by the WBA general membership. As provided by WBA by-laws, Tom Allen, Quincy Broadcast Group, Madison, the current WBA Vice Chair Television and Chair-Elect, will automatically be elevated to the position of Chair of the Board at the 2016 WBA General Membership meeting. The committee made the following nominations, which will be voted upon by the general membership during the WBA Winter Conference in January.

Officers

Vice Chair - Radio/Chair-Elect: **Dick Record**, Family Radio, La Crosse

Vice Chair - Television: **Steve Wexler**, E.W. Scripps Company, Milwaukee

Treasurer: **Nancy Douglass**, WLKG-FM, Lake Geneva

Secretary: **Steve Lavin**, WBAY-TV, Green Bay

Two-Year Director Terms

Director (SE District): **Keith Bratel**, Milwaukee Radio Alliance

Director (SW District): **Don Vesely**, WMTV-TV, Madison

Director (NE District): **Chris Bernier**, Radio Plus, Marinette/Fond du Lac

Director (NW District): **Brad Heinkel**, WAOW-TV, Wausau

The 2016 WBA Board of Directors will also include **Scott Chorski**, WKBT-TV, La Crosse, who will remain as ex-officio Past Chair.

The committee also made the following nominations, to be voted upon by the general membership: as **Steve Lavin** is currently mid-term of his NE District Director position, in the event that Lavin is elected Secretary, **Juli Buehler**, WLUK-TV, Green Bay, fulfill the remainder of Lavin's unexpired term.

Mid-term Directors not facing re-election include: (SW) **Lupita Montoto**, WLMV (LaMovida), Madison; (NW) **Lynn Bieritz**, Mid-West Family Broadcasting, Eau Claire; and (SE) **Jan Wade**, WISN-TV, Milwaukee.

As at-large Directors are appointed by the Board, the committee recommended to the Board that they reappoint **Michael Wright**, Midwest Communications, Wausau.

At-large mid-term Directors not facing re-election include **Chuck Steinmetz**, WITI-TV, Milwaukee; **JT Koser**, Koser Radio Group, Rice Lake/Hayward; **Richard Wood**, Resonant Results, (representing our Associate membership); and **Gene Purcell**, Educational Communications Board (representing non-commercial broadcasting).

In addition, **Tom Walker**, Mid-West Family Broadcasting, Madison, remains on the board as an ex-officio member, per his seat on the NAB Board, according to WBA by-laws.