

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
NOMINATING COUNCIL

Minutes of January 31, 2019 Meeting

This meeting was convened pursuant to the Commission Agenda issued on January 25, 2019, for the week of January 28, 2019.

At 8:52 a.m., Mike Koren, Chairman of the PUC Nominating Council, called the meeting to order.

Chairman Mike Koren introduced PUCO Chairman Asim Haque who described the operations and functions of the PUCO.

The following members, constituting a quorum, were present:

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| _____         | <b>SHANNON JONES, CHAIRMAN APPOINTEE<br/>PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE</b>                            |
| _____ X _____ | <b>MICHAEL HARTLEY, GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE,<br/>REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY</b>      |
| _____ X _____ | <b>BERT DAWSON<br/>STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL<br/>ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS</b> |
| _____ X _____ | <b>VIRGINIA RAGAN, ALTERNATE<br/>FOR DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF AGING,<br/>STATE OF OHIO</b>       |
| _____ X _____ | <b>ANDREW PUSATERI, ALTERNATE<br/>FOR DIRECTOR, OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY</b>            |
| _____ X _____ | <b>LEIGH HERINGTON, ALTERNATE<br/>PRESIDENT, OHIO STATE BAR ASSOCIATION</b>                     |
| _____ X _____ | <b>STUART YOUNG, VICE CHAIR<br/>CONSUMERS' COUNSEL GOVERNING BOARD</b>                          |
| _____ X _____ | <b>SCOTT ELISAR, APPOINTEE,<br/>SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES</b>                     |
| _____ X _____ | <b>MIKE KOREN, GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE,<br/>REPRESENTATIVE OF REGULATED UTILITIES</b>              |
| _____ X _____ | <b>MARK A. TOTMAN, GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE,<br/>REPRESENTATIVE OF ORGANIZED LABOR</b>              |
| _____ X _____ | <b>JOHN PATTERSON, PRESIDENT<br/>ACCOUNTANCY BOARD</b>  |
| _____ X _____ | <b>MICHAEL BARHORST, PRESIDENT<br/>OHIO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE</b>                                    |

The Oath of Office was administered to the Nominating Council members by Angela Hawkins, PUCO Legal Director.

Virginia Ragan moved and Scott Elisar seconded a motion that Mike Koren be elected Chairman of the Nominating Council. There being no other nominees, Council members voted. Mike Koren was elected by a unanimous voice vote.

Michael Hartley moved and Scott Elisar seconded a motion that Virginia Ragan be elected Secretary of the Nominating Council. There being no other nominees, Council members voted. Virginia Ragan was elected by a unanimous voice vote.

Leigh Herington moved and Virginia Ragan seconded a motion to ratify the minutes of the January 25, 2018 PUC Nominating Council Meeting. The minutes were ratified by voice vote.

Chairman Mike Koren called for Jeff Jones, PUCO Legal Department, to address the proposed rule changes to O.A.C 4901:7-1. Angela Hawkins, PUCO Legal Director, was present to assist Mr. Jones in answering questions. Mr. Jones provided a quick history of the Nominating Council, a run through of the R.C.119.032 process, which was the proposed procedure, reviewed the proposed rule changes, which are hereby attached to these minutes, sought to answer any questions proposed by the Nominating Council, and requested authorization for motion and vote to proceed with the filing of the rules with the appropriate entities in Ohio.

Jeff Jones explained that a Public Utilities Commission examiner would hold a public hearing, date to be determined based on the filing with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, about the proposed rule changes. The examiner's role would be to take an oath or affirmation. Nominating Council members could be present, sit at the front desk, and could ask questions.

Mark A. Totman moved and Leigh Herington seconded a motion to include the following changes to the proposed rules: 4901:7-1-04(G): Coordinator's position be designated by the chairperson of the PUCO instead of the entire PUCO. It carried with a unanimous voice vote.

At 9:06 a.m., upon a roll call vote, all voting aye, after a motion was duly made by Michael Barhorst and seconded by Stuart Young, Council went into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) for the purpose of considering the appointment of a public official.

At 12:40 p.m. Chairman Mike Koren reconvened the public session of the meeting.

Chairman Mike Koren thanked Nominating Council members and meeting facilitators for their work and participation. He also noted the difficulty of the selection process and clarified the meaning of the vote.

Chairman Mike Koren then asked that, as each candidate's name was read, all members who wished to vote for the candidate so indicate during a roll call, their votes to be tallied by the Secretary on the chart below, which is hereby incorporated into the Minutes of this meeting. Chairman Mike Koren said that four candidates will be selected and approved by the Nominating Council to be considered by Governor DeWine for the term commencing April 11, 2019 and ending April 10, 2024.

Secretary Virginia Ragan proceeded to name each candidate, and votes were taken and tallied for each. Following discussion,

Roll Call Vote - Names to the Governor 2019	Michael Ashford	David Daniels	Dennis Deters	Noah Dormady	James Dunn	Denis George	Eugene Krebs	Bryce McKenney	Samuel Randazzo
Scott E. Elisar	1		1				1		1
Michael Barhorst	1			1				1	1
John Patterson				1		1	1		1
Shannon Jones									
Andrew Pusateri		1	1				1		1
Michael Hartley		1	1					1	1
Stuart Young			1				1	1	1
Mark A. Totman			1			1		1	1
Mike Koren		1	1				1		1
Bert Dawson		1					1	1	1
Virginia Ragan		1	1				1		1
Leigh Herington				1			1	1	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>

Upon conclusion of the voting, Secretary Virginia Ragan stated the candidates had received the following votes for the term commencing April 11, 2019 and ending April 10, 2024:

Michael Ashford	<u>2</u>
David Daniels	<u>5</u>
Dennis Deters	<u>7</u>
Noah Dormady	<u>3</u>
James Dunn	<u>1</u>
Denis George	<u>1</u>
Eugene Krebs	<u>8</u>
Bryce McKenney	<u>6</u>
Samuel Randazzo	<u>11</u>

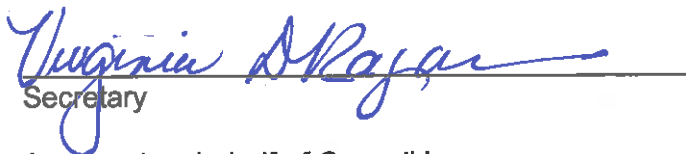
Stuart Young moved and Leigh Herington seconded a motion that the following four names be forwarded to Governor Mike DeWine for his consideration for appointment to the position of Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for term commencing April 11, 2019 and ending April 10, 2024.

- 1) Dennis Deters
- 2) Eugene Krebs
- 3) Bryce McKenney
- 4) Samuel Randazzo

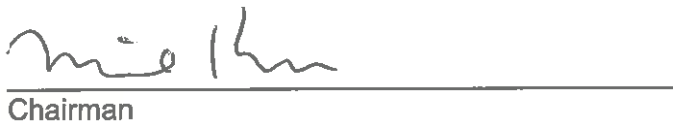
At 12:52 p.m., upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Council approved the above names to be sent to the Governor for consideration for the term commencing April 11, 2019 and ending April 10, 2024.

There be no other business, Mark Totman motioned and Michael Hartley seconded to adjourn the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Nominating Council meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Submitted by

  
Secretary

Approved on behalf of Council by

  
Chairman