



2013 Annual Report

## **GPA CANADA MISSION STATEMENT:**

Provide added value to the Canadian gas processing and gas liquids industries from source to market by being a forum for:

- Expanding technical knowledge
- Sharing best practices
- · Discussing, debating and providing input into legislative and regulatory issues
- · Industry networking

## **GPA CANADA VISION:**

• Be the premier technical association representing gas processing in Canada.

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## **GPAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - AGENDA**

March 25, 2014
The Petroleum Club
319 — 5 Avenue SW | Calgary, Alberta
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Reading and Dispensing of the Minutes from the Annual General Meeting of April 12, 2013
- 3. President's Report
- Financial Report
   Approval of the 2013 Financial Statement
- 5. 2013 Directors' Highlights
- 6. Ratification of the Actions of the Board of Directors
- 7. Board of Directors Elections

Adjournment of the Annual General Meeting



## **GPAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES**

Friday, April 12, 2013
The Westin Hotel
320 — 4 Avenue SW | Calgary, Alberta
11:30 am - 1:00 pm



#### 1. Call to Order

Greg Bury welcomed the members and indicated that there was a quorum of at least 20 members present, so the meeting was duly constituted. Materials for reference were on each table in the Annual Report:

- Agenda
- Minutes from the 2012 AGM
- Financial and Director's Reports

#### 2. Approval of the April 2012 AGM Meeting minutes

The minutes of the April 3, 2012 Annual General Meeting were circulated.

Moved by Rob Nadalutti that the minutes of the April 3, 2012 Annual General Meeting be approved as written Seconded by Dawn Wambold Carried.

#### 3. President's Report

G. Bury noted that the 2012 President's reports could be found in the Annual Reports on the tables. The biggest note made was the unfortunate passing of our President, Al Niven in December 2012. Josh Carter then took over the President role for 2013 and wrote the 'President's report for 2012. G. Bury also acknowledged Past Presidents and Board Directors that were in attendance.

#### 4. Financial Report

The financial books of the Association were reviewed by Michael Jantzen, Integrity Engineering and Sherri Desrosiers, a Chartered Accountant, and found to be in good order.

Moved by G. Bury that the 2012 Financial Statement be approved as presented Seconded by Wade Stinson Carried.

#### 5. Ratification of Board Actions

G. Bury again referred to the Annual Report that summarized the actions of the Board in 2012 and asked for motion to ratify those decisions.

Moved by Richard Bosomworth that the actions of the GPAC Board of Directors be ratified for the year 2012

Seconded by Michael Gordon Carried.

## 6. Elections

G. Bury reminded the attendees that the Association is run by volunteers; both the individuals who sit on the committees and the companies that sponsor them do so because they are genuinely





interested in the goals and activities of the GPA CANADA. Without them, the organization could not function. He thanked the members of the 2012 Board of Directors for their dedication and service and reviewed the following.

Retiring director:

• Mark Guirguis, Spartan Controls – due to a relocation to Vancouver

Those continuing on the Board for 2013, and requiring re-election for a 2 year term:

- Josh Carter
- Rob Nadalutti
- Cam Nichols

The following nominee was submitted:

• Cheryl Lafond, Spartan Controls

A call for nominations from the floor was made. There being none, a call was made for a motion to approve the slate as presented for 2013.

Moved by Joel Hayes that the slate of Directors for 2013 be approved as presented Seconded by  ${\sf Jim}$  Blyth

Carried.

Your complete list of 2013 Directors is:

- Josh Carter President
- Jonathan Balint Treasurer
- Brian Maksymetz Vice President
- Cheryl Lafond Safety
- Rob Nadalutti Academic/Careers
- Steve Summers Membership
- Paul Homik Entertainment
- Michael Gordon Entertainment
- Greg Bury Business Development
- Dawn Wambold Programs Technical Sessions & Conferences
- Art Kowalchuk GAS Alumni liaison
- Cam Nichols Northern Committee

#### 7. Adjournment

There being no new business raised from the floor, a call was made to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by G. Bury that the meeting be adjourned at 12:03 pm Seconded by J. Balint Carried.



## LOOKING BACK

#### 2013 PRESIDENT

I never should have been the one to write this year's Presidential Review. On December 10th, 2012, we lost our beloved leader, Al Niven (63). He passed suddenly, but peacefully at his home with his wife Debbie. Al loved many things in his life: his wife, his children, his family, his community, and we are lucky to have counted GPAC among them. Al devoted 9 years of his life to GPAC, our longest standing board member.

So at the beginning of 2013, I stepped back into the role of President with a heavy heart. Time moves, wounds heal, and a year later I reflect on all the changes AI and I have seen over our collective 17 years on the Board. We have helped reshape GPAC after the merger, creating a new vision and moving forward with a strong sense of purpose. As the gas industry as a whole is challenged, GPAC continues to grow through the hard work and dedication of the Board of Directors and volunteers.

Director Michael Gordon successfully orchestrated more plant tours with great results. Attendees from industry, U of C, and SAIT all had a wonderful time seeing and learning about gas processing in Alberta. Great feedback from all is reaffirming the value of the tours for all types of members, and look forward to several different plant tours coming up.

Director Rob Nadalutti continues his great work with students. With skilled manpower in the industry a continuing challenge, this is a great opportunity for all to connect with future graduates. GPAC's sponsorship of the U of C Engineering Mechanical and Chemical 4th year design projects continues to grow, and our sponsorship of the SAIT Student led golf tournament also continues to strengthen our Academic ties.

Director Dawn Wambold successfully created a technical luncheon series, focusing on engineering and technical topics of great educational value to gas processing industry members, both young and experienced! Her work obligations have taken her away, and we thank her for her time and will enjoy catching up at future events.

After hosting the Plant Safety Awards Banquet in Grand Prairie, we're bringing the event back home to Calgary. The Joint Conference success continues, with the multiple stream presentation approach growing so successfully that I'm glad we made the move a couple years ago to the BMO Center in the Stampede Park to facilitate the extra attendance!

We are strengthening our ties with GPA USA, and will be hosting presentations by some of their members, as well as increasing our attendance at the GPA Conference in the US.

The first one was such a success, we're hosting our second GPAC Funspiel at the Calgary Curling Club on April 11. It's a fun time, even for those less experienced throwers among us!

All of this in addition to all of the great events that GPAC already brings you; year after year. We continue our sponsorship of Engineers without Borders, and all of the global projects that they sponsor. The GPAC Stampede Breakfast, sold out almost every year since it began, again was a great success. The Golf Tournament, sold out for the last several years, again was blessed with a beautiful summer day at Earl Grey.

It's been a great 54 years! With the 2014 Board of Directors, members, volunteers, and of course Corporate Sponsors, it will be another great year!

Josh Carter, P. Engg

President, Gas Processors Association of Canada







## 2013 GPAC SAFETY CONFERENCE & AWARDS

For over 30 years, GPAC has continued to support the Gas Processing industry in Canada with the recognition of the outstanding dedication of the operating teams to safety. To qualify for a GPAC Safety Award, gas handling facilities and supplier companies must achieve zero Lost Time Incidents (LTI).

The safety conference and awards banquet was held on March 15, 2013 in Grande Prairie as requested by some suppliers so more employees could attend. Unfortunately due to a few extenuating circumstances (ie, weather conditions), the participation was lower than expected although, according to the feedback, it was a great success.

For 2014, we have moved the event back to Calgary being held April 4, 2014 at the Deerfoot Inn & Casino with a roaring 20's theme. We have merged the O&M conference to be held in the morning and the safety conference in the afternoon followed by the awards banquet in the evening. With sharing the costs between the two conferences, it is more financially wise as well as offering GPAC members the added benefit of both events. The theme is #Trending Topics, which includes relevant guest speakers in the industry hopefully boosting attendance.





## PROGRAMS REPORT

#### MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

2013 was a busy year for programs and conferences. We hosted six technical/member lunches in addition to two conferences. Topics for the technical/member lunches included market updates, gas analysis, sour gas, and integrated gas and GTL plants. Additionally, we were honoured to host Graeme McLaren, the BC Assistant Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Energy and Ken Hughes, Alberta's Minister of Energy. The Calgary floods impacted our presentation schedule in June but we were fortunate that our guest speaker was willing and able to present later in the year.



#### **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**

Our 25th annual Operations and Maintenance conference had an excellent line-up of speakers and included the ever-controversial Ezra Levant who presented us with a preview of his new book supporting fracking operations and offered advice on how to engage with detractors of the oil and gas industry.

Thanks to all of our speakers, volunteers and members who have helped make these events possible!

## 2013 GPAC/PJVA JOINT CONFERENCE

Another milestone conference was the 20th annual GPAC and PJVA Joint Conference. 235 delegates were in attendance, which took place at the BMO Centre for the 2nd year. This year's conference was filled with intriguing and informative presentations with three streams to choose from, in addition to the plenary sessions.

Some highlights of the conference included:

- An audience favorite Alex Epstein, President and Founder of the Center for Industrial Progress, speaking on "How to Convert Fossil Fuel Opponents into Fossil Fuel Supporters" and "Energy Heroes". Alex's personal slogan is "I heart fossil fuels" something I think all of our members can relate to!
- Technical stream presentations on Oil Sands Development, Improved NGL Quality and Entrance into the





## STAMPEDE BREAKFAST

Once again the Joint Calgary Stampede Breakfast was a huge industry success. 2013 saw the addition of a new sponsor – ISA Calgary. There was a great working relationship with them which could be seen in the overwelcoming success of the event. Our team looks forward to further strengthening its relationship with ISA Calgary and the Gas Industry through events such as the Stampede Breakfast.

This was the 4th consecutive year the event was held at Flames Central in downtown Calgary. A conservative estimate of attendance would put the crowd at 350.

Back by popular demand, the MC was GPAC's own Rob Nadalutti. Rob kept the crowd interested and involved in the many on-stage games. The games were organized and executed by volunteers. A 50/50 draw was added to this year's program which raised approximately \$5,000.00 for a very deserving charity.

The return of the photo booth will be a highlight in 2014 as many patrons raved about its success in 2013. By all accounts the photo booth was an overwhelming success. The cost for a 2014 repeat visit will be covered by a sponsorship. It is anticipated that it will be sold very quickly.

We are also proud to announce \$1160 was raised for a \$580 split between Red Cross AB Flood Relief and winner Chris Armstrong of Spectra Energy. Thanks to Aerotek staff for handling the ticket sales.

GPAC and ISA Calgary Chapter want to thank all the sponsors and attendees for their support of the Annual Flapjack Feast on July 10th.

We fully expect another successful event at Flames Central on July 9!





## CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

2013 was the 52nd year of the Annual Classic GPAC golf tournament. Once again we were blessed with a beautiful day and a perfect setting for getting out and sharing a good time with colleagues.

The tournament was held at the Earl Grey Golf Club, with lunch and registration getting underway at 11:30 am, and shotgun starts at 1:30 pm. Each hole was sponsored by individual companies and included two holes for the popular 'hole in one' contest. One with a new Harley Davidson up for grabs!! Unfortunately, these went unclaimed but 2014 will provide another chance for would be golfers.

The banquet and award presentation followed shortly after 6:00 pm and was emceed by GPAC's newest Vice President, Mr. Paul Homik of ATCO Power.

The GPAC tournament has become a popular event and a favorite within the industry. We are already in the planning stages for the 2014 event. Be sure to register early and contact us if you are interested in hole sponsorship opportunities. Although you must be a GPAC member to register a team, it is not necessary for team guests to all be members of GPAC. Tournament format is four person Texas scramble, low net competition established by team handicaps.

Sponsorship opportunities are always available if your organization is looking for a great way to increase its profile in the gas processing community. Please contact the GPAC office for further information and to book for the September 4, 2014 tourney.





## **GPAC 2014 GOLD SPONSORS**



















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