



2023 Election Candidate Information & By-Law Change

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Nominations Slate

Stephen M Bantillo, Recycling Certification Institute, Executive Director

Stephen is the Executive Director of the Recycling Certification Institute, focusing on transparency, process, and metrics to measure our progress as a resource industry. He has nearly forty years of resource management experience in local/state government and non-profit management. He oversaw California's Beverage Container Recycling Program, where he also assisted the Governor in “blowing up the boxes”, creating a single state agency managing resources recovery and recycling. Stephen has previously served on NRC's Board of Directors and currently serves on its Policy Committee. Stephen has been a member and supporter of NRC and CRRA for over thirty years.

Teresa Bradley, Race to Zero Waste , Chief Executive Officer

Teresa Bradley is the Founder CEO of Race to Zero Waste and is the strategic vision of the organization. Teresa has worked with the organization's staff, volunteers, and contractors to develop new concepts and make zero waste more accessible in public spaces. At the height of the pandemic, she worked on discovering new zero waste project opportunities and sponsorship funds. Teresa has over 15 years of project experience with securing RFPs and grants which has led municipalities, special events, commercial businesses, non-profits, and institutions to significantly minimize waste streams, provide quality outreach campaigns, greatly increase composting of organic waste, implement reuse systems, and create green-collar jobs. Teresa holds a Master of Science in Environmental Management from the University of San Francisco and is TRUE Zero Waste certified.

Colleen Foster, HF&H Consultants, Senior Associate

Colleen Foster, MELP, Senior Associate at HF&H Consultants, has 20 years of experience in the public and private sector in environmental policy, zero waste planning and programming, conservation, climate action, water/wastewater utility management, sustainable food systems, extended producer responsibility, and environmental legislative advocacy. A “40 under 40” award winning professional, whom has presented at dozens of conferences nationally and abroad, past civic leader for the industry recognized Green Oceanside program, Ms. Foster's dedication and passion for the clients and communities she serves is the foundation for which she is striving for a more sustainable and thriving planet. Ms. Foster holds a Master's in Environmental Law and Policy from Vermont Law School, and is an alumni of UC Davis, and is currently serving on the boards of NRC, California Product Stewardship Council, and is the Past President for the California Resource Recovery Association.

Ann Gibbs, Skumatz Economic Research Associates Inc (SERA), Lead Analyst

Ann is a quantitative consultant with SERA, Inc. and has conducted research on nearly every aspect of solid waste and recycling systems, including collection, survey collection, program performance,

cost of service, facility financial data, operations, and equipment return on investment. She has conducted work including interviews, benchmarking, and customer outreach on solid waste topics. My desire to become a board member stems from a commitment to the NRC's mission and a belief in the positive impact we can achieve. I've served successfully on State Recycling Boards and have appreciated and enjoyed my opportunity to work with the NRC Awards Committee.

Marta Keane, Will County, Recycling Program Specialist

Marta has served a 3-year term on the NRC Board of Directors and is seeking a second 3-year term. Marta has been a member of the Illinois Recycling Association since 1992, serving as a Board Member and is a past president. She is also Chair of the Illinois Product Stewardship Council, the current past-president of the Illinois Recycling Foundation, and an NRC Board Member since 2020. She is on the NRC Communications Committee, Legislative Committee and Finance Committee. Marta has been involved in the recycling industry since 1988. She has been the Recycling Coordinator and Environmental Programs Administrator in several municipalities over the years. For the past 18 years she has filled the role of the Will County Recycling Specialist, writing the County Solid Waste Plan, implementing collection programs for a variety of materials and coordinating education through the website, social media and advertising. She is on the Illinois Electronics Task Force and recently worked to pass the Illinois Paint Stewardship Act.

Gena McKinley, City of Austin, Austin Resource Recovery, Assistant Director

Gena McKinley is an Assistant Director for Austin Resource Recovery (ARR), the City department charged with the implementation of Austin's Zero Waste Plan, where she directs, develops and maintains key departmental goals. She represents ARR's interests and positions before national and local officials, community organizations and more. She's spent nearly two decades working in the solid waste industry. Prior to the City of Austin, Gena worked at a regional council of government, with a focus on technical assistance for municipal waste management. Her leadership, commitment and advocacy for zero waste earned national recognition as she was chosen to be included in Waste360's 40 Under 40 list of rising stars in the industry. Gena holds a Masters of Public Health from the UT School of Public Health and a BA from Southwestern University in Biology and Sociology.

Martie Solomon, City of Chula Vista, CA, Sustainability Specialist

Martie has served a 3-year term on the NRC Board of Directors and is seeking a second 3-year term, and currently serves as NRC Treasurer. With 28 years in the trash industry, Martie's focus is to educate the public and help them with proper program implementation. She has been a member of the NRC through her state RO CRRA (California Resource Recovery Association) since 2002, and joined the Board as a member at large in 2020.

Bylaw Change Proposed, Section 3.12 NRC Bylaws

Rationale: The proposed quorum statement deletes additional calculations for a quorum, simplifying the calculation to a majority quorum.

Section 3.12 Quorum of the Board of Directors –

Existing bylaw: Except as may be otherwise expressly required by statute, at all meetings of the Board of Directors, the presence of fifty percent of the total number of Directors (other than

Honorary Directors), but in no event fewer than two Directors, shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; provided, that so long as the authorized number of Directors is in excess of fifteen, the presence of five Directors, plus one additional Director for every ten authorized Directors (or fraction thereof) in excess of fifteen, shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, a majority of the Directors present at the appointed time and place of the meeting, or, if no Director is present, any officer of the Corporation present thereat, may adjourn the meeting for a period not exceeding twenty days in any one case. At any subsequent meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

Proposed Deletion (highlighted above): *“provided, that so long as the authorized number of Directors is in excess of fifteen, the presence of five Directors, plus one additional Director for every ten authorized Directors (or fraction thereof) in excess of fifteen, shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.”*

Proposed Final Version:

Section 3.12 Quorum. Except as may be otherwise expressly required by statute, at all meetings of the Board of Directors, the presence of fifty percent of the total number of Directors (other than Honorary Directors), but in no event fewer than two Directors, shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, a majority of the Directors present at the appointed time and place of the meeting, or, if no Director is present, any officer of the Corporation present thereat, may adjourn the meeting for a period not exceeding twenty days in any one case. At any subsequent meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

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