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ASCCA GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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March 22, 2018 | 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Conference Call

I. Call to Order

D. Kusa called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

II. Roll Call / Attendance Record

Present: David Kusa, James Justus, Glenn Davis, Craig Johnson, Rocky Khamenian, Dennis Montalbano, Rob Morrell, Gene Morrill, Allen Pennebaker, Stuart Terry, Steve Vanlandingham, John Villa

Absent: Rich Lezcano, Tracy Renee, Larry Moore, George Hritz, Phil Fournier

Staff: Gloria Peterson, Jack Molodanof

III. January 25 & February 24, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the January 25 & February 24 meetings were approved by consent.

IV. Committee Financial Update

- a. 2018 Committee Budget to Actual –G. Peterson summarized the report that reflected a total expenditure year-to-date of \$822.92 with budget remaining of \$6,027.

V. NASTF Update

- a. Team Participation- C. Johnson reported on the future dates of the communications and technology team meetings. He reported that the Education Committee has meet recently with a focus on the road to great technicians, which is a collaborative effort with the manufacturers. Rob Morrell is the co-Chair of the Committee and he summarized the effort to organize the partners that will participate in the Road to Great Technicians project to plan the next meeting and begin assigning tasks.

C. Johnson noted that a new Heavy-Duty Team has been formed, but they haven't met yet. He reported that the Service and Information Team met recently to which Gene Morrill provided an update.

C. Johnson further reported that the Vehicle Security Team has been active on the Lock Smith Identification (LSID). He noted that a new management company has been hired and the process for obtaining the LSID will be quicker. He noted that Canada has its on LSID and Donny Seyfer is working with them to integrate it with the US LSID system.

VI. Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Committee Update

C. Johnson was disconnected from the call, so this report was deferred.

VII. Action Sheet

J. Molodanof reviewed the status of the bills that were identified to be a focus for Legislative Day.

AB 1743 (O'Donnell) - Career Technical Education, which has passed the Committee. J. Molodanof provided a review of the legislative steps for this bill.

AB 2908 (Tire Bill) – J. Molodanof reported that ASCCA has signed on to a joint industry letter that has been shared with the Committee.

AB 2392 (Santiago) – Tow and Storage Bill – J. Molodanof reported that the author will be addressing several of our issues and has indicated that it will amend the bill to address our concerns, but we have not seen the amendments yet. It may reduce the significance for Legislative Day, it will depend on what the amendments do to address our concerns.

SB 993 (Hertzberg) – Sales Tax on Services – J. Molodanof recommended that Committee may want to focus on this bill during Legislative Day event if the Tow and Storage bill is no longer of concern. The Committee agreed that this would be a good back-up bill for Legislative Day.

ACTION J. Molodanof will work on talking points for SB 993.

J. Molodanof also summarized the following bills:

SB 1013 (Lara) – Fluorinated Refrigerants – J. Molodanof requested assistance from the Committee on the technical issue of fluorinated refrigeration. He will need more direction for the committee to determine if this of concern to ASCCA members.

SB 962 (Allen) – Would require the Air Resources Board (ARB) to develop criteria for new replacement tires.

AB 2110 (Eggman) – A right to repair for electronics such as televisions. It is on our radar, but we are not certain at this point if we will need to be engaged on it.

HR 620 – Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) – The bill attempts to amend the federal ADA law to better protect small business from being targeted for frivolous lawsuits. J. Molodanof recommended that we would reach out to our United States Senators Feinstein and Harris. It was noted that Harris is opposed to the bill.

ACTION J. Molodanof will draft the letter.

ACTION D. Kusa will reach out to Bob Redding at ASA to ask them to also support the HR 620.

VIII. New Business

a. California Small Business Day

The Committee was invited to participate, if they have an interest in attending the California Small Business Day event. J. Villa reported that he will be attending. It was noted that names are due no later than May 1. Dennis Montalbano will also attend. David Kusa will review his schedule to determine if he can attend.

IX. Old Business

- a. Preliminary Agenda – *encl.*
- b. Preliminary Legislative Talking Points – *encl.*
- c. Invitation to California Tire Dealers Association
- d. Invitation to CA Tow Truck Association

There were no changes to the handout materials outlined for ASCCA Legislative Day. It was noted that speakers Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham and Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) Chief Pat Dorais are confirmed. G. Peterson noted that the California Tow Truck Association (CTTA) has been invited, but they are not easy to get in contact with.

ACTION J. Molodanof will reach out to the CTTA lobbyist and D. Kusa will reach out to Dean Blomquist to determine if the CTTA wants to participate in Legislative Day.

The Committee agreed to formalize adding Betty Jo Tocolli J. Molodanof suggested that we have Betty Jo say a few words at the beginning of the meeting. The Committee agreed.

J. Justus reported that he attended a meeting with Toni Atkins with Betty Jo and he spoke on SB 993. This item will remain on our radar of joining CSBA on legislative visits.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.