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MINUTES ASCCA GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Mission: Increased Credibility and Influence in Government and Regulatory Affairs.

April 26, 2018 I 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Conference Call

- I. Call to Order
 - D. Kusa called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.
- II. Roll Call / Attendance Record

Present: Dave Kusa, James Justus, Craig Johnson, Rocky Khamenian, Tracy Renee, Steve Vanlandingham, John Villa

Absent: Glenn Davis, Rich Lezcano, Dennis Montalbano, Rob Morrell (excused), Gene Morrill, Allen Pennebaker (excused), Stuart Terry (excused), Advisors: George Hritz, Larry Moore, Phil Fournier Staff: Matt Peralta, Jack Molodanof

III. March 22, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the March 22, 2018 meetings were approved by consent.

- IV. Committee Financial Update
 - a. 2018 Committee Budget to Actual –M. Peralta summarized the report that reflected a total expenditure year-to-date of \$822.92 with budget remaining of \$6,027. He noted that the next report will reflect the Legislative Day expenses.
- V. Legislative Day Review
 - D. Kusa provided the committee with a review of ASCCA's 2018 Legislative Day, noting the low turnout from CAA and the Tire Association. He reported that ASCCA had 30 attendees, 8 of which were first-time attendees. The Government Affairs Committee will develop new ways to promote Legislative Day by beginning marketing earlier and commended L. Chesnin's marketing efforts via TeamTalk.
 - D. Kusa reported that during his meeting with legislators, most offices seemed to be in support of the career technical education bills and that most legislative staffers concurred that SB 993 would never succeed. Finally, many offices seemed unsure about AB 2908. J. Molodanof echoed D. Kusa's comments, noting that day's importance and value to ASCCA members.
 - D. Kusa also noted that he met with Jimmy Fremgen, a committee consultant for the Assembly Business and Professions Committee, which oversees the Bureau of Automotive Repair's (BAR's) Sunset Review. They spoke about changing the minor services clause in the Automotive Repair Act. It was his impression that it wasn't a high priority, so D. Kusa has reached out to Assemblyman Evan Low's office in hopes of meeting with him in the district to discuss the issue further.

Finally, D. Kusa asked the committee to start thinking about the idea of switching to an every-other-year Legislative Day schedule.

VI. NASTF Update

C. Johnson gave an update on the National Automotive Service Task Force (NASTF). He discussed NASTF's work on the Road to Great Technicians, a cooperative between auto manufacturers, the tool companies, and the aftermarket industry. He summarized the Equipment and Tool Committee's meeting, which is adapting to the fact that there are more auto repair technicians with Lock Smith Identification (LSID) licenses than locksmiths. Therefore, they will change the name to Vehicle Security Credentials (VSC). Those with the license will be referred to as Vehicle Security Professionals (VSPs). He also reported that Donny Seyfer and the NASTF board are revamping the scan tool page of the NASTF website to make it a go-to resource. Finally, he discussed NASTF's upcoming Spring meeting at ETI Tool Tech in Tucson, AZ on April 30.

VII. Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Committee Update

C. Johnson discussed the Data Link Security Committee and their work on the J 31-38 document to secure the data link connector to prevent hacking. There is also another document they are working on, the J 31-46 titled Security Practices Related to Vehicle Diagnostics.

VIII. Action Sheet

J. Molodanof provided updates on the bills discussed during Legislative Day.

AB 1743 – The bill is moving forward to provide money for career technical education on an annual basis, though it remains to be seen how much money will be allocated.

AB 2392 – J. Molodanof reported that the bill has been amended to address 95% of ASCCA's concerns and reported that discussions are ongoing concerning final tweaks to the bill.

AB 2908 – J. Molodanof reported that the bill is still moving forward. Despite having stopped the bill a couple years in a row, there is a big push by CalRecycle to get the bill passed.

SB 993 – J. Molodanof reported that the bill has been blocked every year it's been introduced, and he is confident that the bill will not succeed.

Bar Advisory Group (BAG)– D. Kusa and J. Molodanof attended the BAG meeting and distributed a summary of the meeting to the committee via email. D. Kusa noted that he plans to distribute the summary to Team Talk.

IX. New Business

J. Justus noted that he attended the swearing-in of Senator Pro Temp Toni Atkins and that it was a well-attended event.

R. Khamenian presented G. Peterson's idea of hosting a Legislative Day preparation conference call for all attendees, especially first-timers, so they know what to expect, how the day is going to run, etc. to make it easier and more welcoming for new members to attend.

X. Old Business

There was no old business.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:56 pm.