

Alliance of Automotive Service Providers, Minnesota (AASP-MN)
Joint Meeting of the Collision Advisory & Government & Regulatory Affairs Committees
Meeting Recap
Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Present: Matt Feehan, Mike Matteson, Travis Doyle, Brandon Wistrom, Mike Harmsen, Will Latuff, Chad Bijou, Aaron Rolfsrud, Jon Philmalee, Ramin Hakimi, Jesse Jacobson, Lee Schlosser, Bruce Tschida, Andrea Ossowski, Randy Miller, Dan Sjolseth, Carol Keyes, Roger Bonn, Darrell Amberson, Jim Siegfried, John Ritter, Jr., Gary Wiberg, Judell Anderson, Tom Kluver, Sam Richie

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order by Matt Feehan. Participants introduced themselves. A committee roster was distributed and the objective of the committee was reviewed. New committee members were welcomed.

2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION WRAP-UP

- General: Sam Richie provided an update of the 2018 Legislative Session. It was the second year of the biennium, traditionally a bonding year for the Legislature. Although a bonding bill was a focus of the Legislative Session, so too was a tax bill to conform Minnesota's tax code with changes made to the federal code. There was also a supplemental budget bill intended to utilize the \$329 million surplus. In the end, Governor Dayton vetoed both the supplemental budget bill and the tax bill. The fate of the bonding bill was yet to be determined at the time of this meeting.
- AASP-MN issues: AASP-MN did not pursue legislation in the 2018 Session, but did actively work to stop proposed changes to the salvage title law which would have expanded the number of vehicles subject to salvage title. The bill was initiated and supported by LKQ. Despite the association's efforts, the provision was ultimately included in the Omnibus Supplemental Budget bill. Fortunately, because that bill was vetoed, the changes will not go into effect. We expect this issue to be in play again next year and will work during the interim to educate legislators and work with other stakeholders on a compromise approach for 2019.
- Next year: The collision committee will meet in the fall to prioritize issues and determine which to pursue during the 2019 Session. Among the issues to be considered are: most favored nation; oem-required procedures; insurer mandates, estimate steering and technical education funding.

REGULATORY ACTIVITY

- Air quality permit rulemaking: Judell and Carol Keyes led a discussion on the status of the upcoming air quality permit rules from the MPCA and what we might expect out of said rules. The MPCA has been very responsive to AASP-MN input.
- Dept. of Commerce: Will Latuff and Bruce Tschida shared their impressions of AASP-MN's recent meeting with Commerce Commissioner Looman. It was a positive meeting with a responsive and engaged Commissioner. Will shared success stories of submitting documentation of insurer unfair claims practices and urged others to provide examples, as well. The Department has been very receptive and engaged in working on these issues and there is a growing sense that the time to act is now.
- OSHA: Carol Keyes reported on new recordkeeping requirements for businesses with 20 or more employees.

MNCARS UPDATE

- *MotorMouth* campaign: Judell explained the purpose of this new initiative – to call on the entire industry to be a “MotorMouth,” and put the resources developed by MNCARS to work in their local communities.
- Motorcycle raffle sales are going well and the drawing will take place on June 27th.
- Summer outreach events include Cars & Coffee on June 2 and August 4; Back to the 50s June 22-24; and Street Machine Summer Nationals 7/20-22. Volunteers will be needed to staff all of these events.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- Plan fall B.S. Session: Possible topics identified were Todd Tracy (lead attorney in the John Eagle legal case), GM certification program and scan tool “show and tell.” Committee members selected Todd Tracy and Judell will follow up to determine his availability.
- Judell reported that the committee member rotation for the Government & Regulatory Affairs Committee will take place in the fall. Members will be contacted about their desire/availability to serve in the coming year.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Free Webinar: Omnichannel Marketing – June 6th
- Golf Outing – June 19th @ Keller Golf Course
- Bike Raffle – June 27th @ Veit Automotive Foundation
- Member Event – August 22nd @ Canterbury Park

- **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Collision Advisory Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, September 19th, noon, at the AASP-MN office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.