Alliance of Automotive Service Providers, Minnesota (AASP-MN) Mechanical Advisory Committee Meeting Recap Wednesday, May 30, 2018

Present: Randy Notto, Dan Gleason, Debi McConnell, Loren Feldkamp Wayne Watson, Judell Anderson Guest: David Haeg

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Randy Notto. Participants introduced themselves. A committee roster was distributed and the objective of the committee was reviewed.

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David Haeg provided a review and historical perspective of the campaign. He announced his impending retirement and desire to help transition the program to a new marketing consultant. Those present expressed their appreciation for his work in bringing the campaign to life over the past 8 years. A subcommittee will be tasked with overseeing this transition. Randy Notto and Wayne Watson volunteered to serve.

MNCARS (Minnesota Careers in Auto Repair & Service) 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 Mech XChange: Location will be the Gopher Hole at LubeTech in Golden Valley. Date will be October 17 or 23, depending on venue availability. Two roundtable topics will be "diversifying shop product & service offerings" and "marketing – new and/or cost-effective marketing tactics that have worked for your shop in the last 3 months." A third topic, "shop management systems," will be a back-up if attendance warrants.

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

The next meeting of the Mechanical Advisory Committee will take place prior to the Mech XChange event, October 17 or 23, 2:00 p.m., at LubeTech.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned.