Limousine Association of New Jersey Special Board of Directors Conference Call Tuesday February 3, 2015 * 10 AM – 11:00 AM Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM.

Attendees were: President Jeff Shanker, First Vice President Jason Sharenow, Second Vice President David Seelinger, Secretary Karen Gajda, Treasurer Jon Epstein, Immediate Past President James Moseley; Directors Anthony Azara, Jeff Brodsly, Barbara Chirico, Kay Hoskins, Don Kensey, John Maziarz, Steve Rhoads, Tim Rose, Paul Rosenberg, Christian Stochholm, Barry Trabb and Chris Weiss; executive director Patricia Nelson.

Absent (excused) were Directors **Michael Renehan, Bob Schiavo** and **Eddie Somers**.

President's Topics

Matt Daus Resignation

Shanker confirmed that Matt Daus has resigned as LANJ counsel and *ex officio* board member due to a potential conflict of interest and asked board members for suggestions for new counsel representation. Seelinger offered use of his retained attorney if needed. Shanker said he also would investigate other potential candidates.

NLA Executive Director Seat

Shanker advised that Philip Jagiela no longer holds the position of National Limousine Association executive director. The NLA and Bobit Business Media are conducting a search for a replacement with Certified Association Executive (CAE) credentials.

It was noted that this change leaves a vacancy (honorary directorship) on the LANJ Board of Directors. Refilling the seat will be addressed when the new NLA executive director is named.

• First Vice President: Role and Responsibilities

Shanker said that, as first vice president, Sharenow would be responsible for securing the venues, sponsorships and speakers for the association's general meetings.

Moseley recommended making speaker selections as part of redeveloping and/or reenergizing LANJ's relationships with state agency officials, e.g. Department of Motor Vehicles. Shanker indicated the Kaufman Zita Group also is working on relationship outreach, e.g. Port Authority of New York & New Jersey.

Potential New Committees (in addition to already launched new Membership Committee)

Shanker said he wanted to establish education, legislative, PAC fundraising, social media and technology committees this year and asked for board member volunteers to be committee chairs.

As so volunteered, the committee chairs are Sharenow for education, Moseley for legislative (co-chair with Shanker), Corelli for PAC fundraising and Seelinger for social media.

A motion to accept the chairpersons as named above was made by Hoskins, seconded by Gajda and unanimously approved.

It was agreed that formation of a technology committee would be postponed until later in the year.

LANI Mailing Address

Shanker said he thought LANJ should have a mailing address or P.O. Box in New Jersey. Seelinger said he uses a Regus facility for another similar purpose and would investigate what might be established for LANJ.

• Legislative Committee Report

Shanker said he, Corelli and Moseley currently are meeting with numerous New Jersey legislators regarding TNC illegality issues. Included are meetings with Senator Peter Barnes (D-18), Assembly Majority Leader Louis Greenwald (D-6), Assemblyman Joseph Lagana (D-38), Senator Joseph Pennacchio (R-26), Senator Brian Stack (D-33) and Assemblyman John Wisiewski (D-19).

Shanker, Corelli and Moseley expect to testify at the Senate Transportation Committee hearing on proposed TNC-related legislation on 2/9/15.

Seelinger provided an update on the TNC regulatory efforts now being undertaken by Advocates for Fairness in Transportation, an organization he co-founded in 2014. Of note, the group currently is investigating a "fair business practice" law and organizing a fundraiser to be held at the 2015 International LCT Show.

Seelinger also emphasized the critical need for information-sharing among stakeholders on the TNC issues and said he would be calling upon the National Limousine Association's leaders at the 2015 NLA Annual Meeting on 3/16/15 in Las Vegas to share the NLA agenda on TNCs and especially the work of the NLA's new public relations firm Evins. He encouraged his fellow LANJ board members to attend the meeting as well.

Shanker said he would contact NLA president Gary Buffo to request monthly NLA-hosted conference calls on TNCs for all NLA-member association presidents.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Moseley, seconded by Chirico and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.

Submitted by:

Karen Gajda Secretary

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Patricia Nelson Executive Director

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