Limousine Association of New Jersey Board of Directors Conference Call Wednesday April 19, 2017 * 10 AM – 11 AM Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM.

Attendees were: President Jason Sharenow, First Vice President and Treasurer Jon Epstein, Secretary Karen Gajda, PAC Chair Pete Corelli; Directors Anthony Azara, Sam Emam, Howard Gogel, Scott Greenwald, Joe Gulino, John Maziarz, Brian O'Neill, Michael Renehan, Steve Rhoads, Bob Schiavo, David Seelinger, Christian Stochholm, Barry Trabb and Chris Weiss; executive director Patricia Nelson.

Absent (excused) were Directors **Tim Rose** and **Eddie Somers**.

Absent (unexcused) was Second Vice President Jeff Brodsly.

3/29/17 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the 3/29/17 board meeting minutes as presented was made by O'Neill, seconded by Gogel and unanimously approved.

Financial Report

Epstein advised the LANJ bank balance was \$87,259 with two outstanding payables.

Corelli said the PAC bank balance was \$998.

President's Report

• 3/29/17 General Meeting

Sharenow said the 3/29 LANJ general meeting held at Englewood Cliffs Cadillac was a terrific success. More than 100 attended and five operators joined LANJ on the spot. The principals of Englewood Cliffs Cadillac advised it would be their pleasure to host the meeting once again in 2018.

• May 2017 Board Meeting

Sharenow asked if the directors preferred having a face-to-face board meeting immediately prior to the dinner/auction on 5/10 or if they'd like to have a conference call meeting on another date instead. Discussion prompted agreement that the latter choice was preferred. The call will be held on Monday 5/8 at 10 AM ET.

• 2017 NLA Hill Day

Sharenow asked which directors planned to participate in the National Limousine Association Day on the Hill on 6/14. O'Neill and Renehan said they will attend and several others indicated they hoped to be there.

Executive Director's Report

• Membership Status

As of 4/18/17, LANJ had 144 members including:

- \circ 60 paid through 12/31/17 or after
- 26 paid 1/1/17 but pre-12/31/17
- \circ 58 paying monthly by credit card.

The 144 total includes 92 operator, 12 affiliate and 40 supplier members.

• 2017 New Members

Twelve new member companies (eleven operators and one supplier) have joined LANJ since 1/1/17. Seven of these took advantage of the special \$50-\$150 discount offer that was promoted in March with five getting an extra \$50 savings for signing up on site at the 3/29 event.

Membership Committee Report

• South Jersey Operator Recruitment

Corelli confirmed that he and Schiavo would host a second evening gettogether for South Jersey operators on 4/26. Corelli also plans to provide the South Jersey operators transportation to the 5/10 LANJ dinner/auction if any want to attend.

• 5/10/17 Dinner, Auction and General Meeting

Trabb said he is working on the preparations for the 5/10 LANJ dinner/ auction fundraiser. He indicated that, to date, three companies had taken premier sponsorships for the event, namely Complete Fleet Livery Sales, Ford Motor Company and Maplecrest Ford Lincoln, and three had taken supporting sponsorships, namely Chosen Payments, DriveProfit and Lakeview Custom Coach. He asked the directors for donation items to the auction.

Golf Outing Committee Report

O'Neill announced the First LANJ Golf Outing will be held on Monday 9/18 at the Cherry Valley Country Club in Skillman, NJ. The day will begin with an on-the-go breakfast service and conclude with a barbeque luncheon.

He said the committee expects to derive revenue for LANJ from attendee golf fees as well as a variety of sponsorships. Discussion prompted agreement that O'Neill would meet with Corelli and Weiss to determine the sponsorship offerings.

Epstein indicated he would like to have some portion of the event's proceeds donated to a charitable cause, preferably one that supports police officers, firefighters and/or military veterans. Following some discussion on this, Sharenow said the topic would be revisited on a future board conference call.

Legislative Committee Report

• TNC Regulation

Sharenow said he and Epstein would meet with New Jersey attorney general staff on 4/26 to present LANJ's position on fingerprint background checks for for-hire carriers.

• TNC-Related Amicus Brief

Sharenow said he had been asked by attorneys at Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP if the Limousine Association of New Jersey would sign on to the TNC-related amicus brief they planned to file with the U.S. Supreme Court. Discussion prompted agreement for this to be done. He noted many other industry organizations, e.g. National Limousine Association, Taxi, Limousine & Paratransit Association, had already agreed to the same request.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 AM.

Submitted by:

Karen Dijla

Karen Gajda Secretary

Patricia Nelson

Patricia Nelson Executive Director