



Highway Policy Committee

CHAIRMAN: Dave Williams, Executive Vice President, Knight Transportation

TCA STAFF LIAISONS: David Heller, Kathryn Sanner

MINUTES:

DATE: Wednesday, September 26, 2018
TIME: 8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.
PLACE: Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, VA

MEMBERS PRESENT

David Berry
Jon Coca
Dan Doran
Amber Edmondson
Sherri Garner Brumbaugh
Bob Kretsinger
Ed Nagle
Dean Newell
Rob Penner
Richard Plewacki
Barry Pottle
Bill Reed, Jr.
John Simms
Karen Smerchek
Sarah Wellman
Dave Williams

GUESTS PRESENT

Kevin Burch
Roy Cox
Barry Dittmer
Brenda Dittmer
Dennis Dellinger

Scott Manthey
Jim Stockeland
Randy Vernon
Jim Ward

TCA STAFF

David Heller
John Lyboldt
Kathryn Sanner

I. Call to Order

Chairman Dave Williams called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 a.m. and asked the attendees to introduce themselves. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to conduct the meeting according to the antitrust guidelines. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the previous meeting in Kissimmee, Florida on March 25, 2018.

II. Call-on-Washington Discussion

The Committee discussed TCA's Second Annual Call on Washington event, which took place on September 25, 2018. Attendees shared feedback on their meetings and expressed interest in continuing the program in 2019. Positive feedback included noting that there were more member-level meetings than last year, the staff in the meetings were well-versed on our issues, and the offices expressed appreciation for hearing our side of issues such as the ELD mandate. Suggestions for improvement included allotting more time for each meeting, adding TCA's issue positions on the leave-behind infographic, and providing background information to attendees on how the Members of Congress voted on bills affecting the trucking industry. Committee members emphasized the importance of building upon the Call on Washington by scheduling meetings with Members of Congress in their home districts. There were no action items as a result of this discussion.

III. Legislative Update – David Heller, Vice President of Government Affairs, TCA

The Committee received an update on the legislative status of F4A, infrastructure reform, and the fuel tax vs. the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) tax. The committee was informed of the efforts to continue advocating for each issue to be addressed by Congress moving forward. There were no action items as a result of this discussion.

IV. TCA Policy Updates – Kathryn Sanner, Manager of Government Affairs, TCA

The Committee was presented with suggestions for bringing TCA's policy language up-to-date by eliminating or changing language that is no longer current. TCA staff Kathryn Sanner will present these potential changes at the next policy meeting. The Committee also discussed whether to update the current TCA Fuel Tax Policy to reflect the increased discussion of the VMT tax at the federal level. As the viability of this issue will likely be further solidified after the 2018 elections, the Committee will reconsider potential policy changes at the next meeting.

V. Old/New Business

As there was no old or new business, Chairman Williams requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

VI. Adjournment

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