**MINUTES**

Board of Directors Meeting

May 5, 2016

## 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Conference Call meeting

## NCLA Chair – Laurel LaBonde

1. Meeting called to order and quorum established by Chair LaBonde at 7:30am.
   1. Quorum established at start of meeting.
   2. Notes taken by Olson. No attendance recorded.
   3. Guests: Ann Hutchison, Fort Collins Area Chamber of Commerce.

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| ***Name*** | ***May 19, 2016 no attendance tracking*** | ***Total attended in 2016*** | ***Total absent in 2016*** |
| May |  | 8 | 2 |
| Allard |  | 10 |  |
| Grant |  | 7 | 3 |
| Maxey |  | 5 | 5 |
| Tool |  | 9 | 1 |
| Waldo |  | 8 | 2 |
| MacQuiddy |  | 6 | 4 |
| Bright |  | 9 | 1 |
| Dennie |  | 7 | 3 |
| Jerke |  | 9 | 1 |
| LaBonde |  | 4 | 6 |
| Norton |  | 9 | 1 |
| Williams |  | 9 | 1 |
| McCloughan |  | 7 | 3 |
| Becker | San Antonio |  |  |
| Clark |  | 8 | 2 |
| Gazlay |  | 10 |  |
| Koelzer |  | 9 | 1 |
| McCambridge | Not participating in board |  |  |
| Olson |  | 7 | 3 |
| Werner |  | 8 | 2 |
| Montgomery |  | 3 | 2 |
| Solin |  | 10 |  |
| Miller | Not present – London | 9 | 2 |

1. Approve Consent agenda
   1. Motion - Norton
   2. Second – Olson
   3. Approved
2. Finance Report : I-25 acct

$27,450 Balance

$10,000 from city of Greeley

1. Leg Wrap up – Handout (Solin)
   1. Final Vote Watch Scorecard
   2. Little completed action this year
   3. Most bills killed either house or senate
   4. Good News
      1. Problematic bills defeated
      2. Mainly oil and gas
      3. Split legislature resulted in nothing being accomplished
   5. Looking at 2017

* Should Dems get control, expect the bills that were killed to be passed
* House - Will be change of speaker house - Hullinghorst term limited; Current Majority Leader Crisanta Duran, likely speaker more reasonable
* Senate - Kevin Grantham - If Republicans maintain control likely President
* Lundberg positioning to be majority leader - mellowed his position, work well with him
* If Dems take control - Guzman, current minority leader, likely President; liberal but pragmatic. Not very firm/strong, however.
* Dem majority leader - Matt jones - very liberal, stronger personality, not a friend to P3s, transit
  1. This is a critical election cycle –
     1. Transportation should likely survive but problems for general business and oil & gas
     2. Williams - Responsiveness of party leadership doesn’t matter if you don’t control the house/senate
     3. Norton - should we be looking more at committee appointments? Have a real lack of statesmanship in the politics today
     4. Allard - ask that Sandra put together list of who is term limited and who we should support and who we should not.
  2. MacQuiddy - What was our strategy for waiting so long to get the bill (transportation) introduced.
* Solin - Driven by budget. Had to wait to find out what was available for use to get a slice.
* Budget out in March
* Hospital provider hadn’t been introduced which impact transportation
* Goal was to have a bill that had bi-partisan support. Hollinghorst dropped her bill late.
* Maxey - CDOT cost us a week. Wouldn’t take to motor carriers
* Koelzer - doubt the outcome would have been any different even if we had introduced it earlier.
  1. Back to scorecard –
     1. Sheri - what did pass -
        + - Water storage study passed
          - Cyber security hub - Colorado Springs
          - very few other meaningful bill
  2. Allard - some talk about special session.
     + - * Governor won’t do unless he has the votes
         * Reached out to Delgrosso Cadman, Shuffle and others to get their take
         * Dickie Lee asked to give on Medicaid so that transportation bonding and hospital provider fee could be worked out
         * Only about 30% chance of special session.
  3. Norton - spoke to Governor - open but needs to know what kind of deal can be made. Conclusion from discussion is that chances of next on zero.
  4. Solin - scorecard scores don’t really tell the story.
     + - Consensus of board - don’t publicize.
       - Will not be conducive to building good relations with legislators
       - suggest that we are reevaluating the tool
       - Norton - suggest that we encourage legislators to get out front on their position
       - Hutchison - also note that every single bill was killed
       - Ok to release the legislative status report
       - Maxey - a key is consideration is whether our legislators are supporting our position on bills.
       - Gazlay - maybe this is a good retreat topic
       - Probably the least engaged is Humphrey - sits on sidelines and doesn’t participate in anything.

1. Transportation
   1. Colorado contractors - pulled plug on sales tax initiative, Sandra and Tony will meet soon. Have built a great foundation
   2. Have moved the Governor and CDOT to neutral position - that’s big
   3. Have gotten other opponents onboard
   4. Gained a lot of support from many organization (about 20)
   5. All media reports showed transportation as one of the top 3 issues
   6. On policy side the key is the Gov. Need to keep him on board
   7. Need to separate transportation from hospital provider fee
   8. Ann Hutchison - so who do we identify as our key advocates/opponents for next legislative session.
   9. Laurel - is there anything we should be doing over the summer?
      1. Sandra - Have continued conversations with legislators - Jenny Arndt, Ginal, Dave Young (need to get commitment - did help if JVC
      2. Important to keep in touch with Republican friends.
   10. Norton- we (NCLA) don’t get involved in campaigns but we belong to organizations that do. We need to be talking to them.
   11. Solin - will build a list for use to use in communicating with our organizations.
   12. We may want to inform some of the candidates of transportation issues.
   13. Barbara - Kick off for the (I-25 & hwy 56) May 26th at 11:00 AM. We should be there.
2. Workers – no update
3. Water - local thing Weld county - hearing on pipeline regulations. Almost everyone has been exempt except Thornton.
   1. Grant - need to keep educating people on NISP
4. Energy - Had great event Monday - lunch - Energy Proud.
5. Retreat date - will set soon. Sometime in July.
6. Meeting adjourned 8:40am.