## NATCA National Executive Board Teleconference June 7, 2007

The teleconference was called to order by President Patrick Forrey and the following individuals were in attendance:

Paul Rinaldi, Executive Vice President
Ricky Thompson, Alaskan Regional Vice President
Howard Blankenship, Central Regional Vice President
Phil Barbarello, Eastern Regional Vice President
Bryan Zilonis, Great Lakes Regional Vice President
Mike Robicheau, New England Regional Vice President
Scott Farrow, Northwest Mountain Regional Vice President
Mike MacDonald, Region X Regional Vice President
Victor Santore, Southern Regional Vice President
Darrell Meachum, Southwest Regional Vice President
Hamid Ghaffari, Western Pacific Regional Vice President

Also present was Adell Humphreys, NATCA Chief of Staff.

<u>Legislative Update</u>: Mr. Forrey met with Sen. Rockefeller last night to discuss the language in the FAA reauthorization bill. We are continuing to set up meetings with other Senators and Congressmen and staffers at this time.

<u>New Employee</u>: Marc Shapiro wishes to hire another attorney for the Labor Relations Department.

Forrey: Motion to hire Mark Wilson as a Labor Relations Staff Representative

Rinaldi: Seconded

Vote: Passed unanimously

<u>NATCA 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pins</u>: Several Regional Vice Presidents have indicated that they wish to obtain additional 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary pins for their members. Mr. Rinaldi requested that he be given the information as to how many additional pins are needed, and he will place one order for all of the extra pins.

<u>Environmental Protection Budget</u>: Mr. Rinaldi noted that NATCA's environmental protection budget is currently \$7,000 over budget, due to the extensive problems we have encountered with mold remediation nationwide. He estimates that an additional \$25,000 will be necessary to fund this budget through the remainder of the year.

Rinaldi: Motion to move \$25,000 from NATCA's set asides into the environmental protection budget (#34)

Zilonis: Seconded

Vote: Passed unanimously

"Rolling Lobby Week": The National Legislative Committee proposes to hold a small "rolling Lobby Week" immediately after Labor Day (September 4-6). They propose to bring 50-100 activists to Washington, particularly those that have established relationships with Capitol Hill staffers. The Committee wants to ensure that NATCA's issues are fresh on the minds of Capitol Hill when they return from summer breaks.

Rinaldi: Motion to approve the Rolling Lobby Week for September 2007

Barbarello: Seconded Vote: Passed unanimously

NATCA American Express Cards: NATCA Standing Rule F-19 states that expense vouchers submitted more than 180 days after the date the expense was incurred are not considered valid and will not be reimbursed. This rule was intended to apply to cash expense vouchers only. However, NATCA must pay the bills for its corporate American Express credit cards upon receipt, and occasionally vouchers for these expenses are not submitted on a timely basis. Mr. Rinaldi proposes that NEB approval be obtained for all NATCA American Express vouchers submitted later than 60 days after the expense was incurred. He will have a formal motion on this subject for presentation at the July NEB meeting.