



BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Salt Lake City, Utah – February 21, 2009

Approved: _____ (*date*)

Secretary: _____ (*signed*)
J. Anthony Cavell, PLS, CFedS

Chairman _____ (*signed*)
Patrick A. Chairman Smith, RPLS

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Minutes

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2009

- 1.0 [New Governor Orientation](#)- 8:00 a.m.
- 2.0 [Call to Order](#) - 9:30 a.m.
 - 2.1 Operating Rules
 - 2.1.1 Name & State When Addressing Group
 - 2.1.2 Cell Phone Policy - \$100 to Governors Trig-Star Scholarship Fund
- 3.0 [Roll Call](#)/Declaration of Quorum
Pauline Barney, Thomas Condon, Malcolm Shaw and Ismael Carrasquillo failed to answer roll call.
Pat Chairman Smith of Texas is Chairman and Tony Cavell of Louisiana is Secretary
- 4.0 [Approval of Minutes](#) of Arlington Meeting
Approved by voice without objection
- 5.0 [Introduction of Guests](#)
- 6.0 Additions to and [Approval of Agenda](#)
 - add 8.5 Railroad Monumentation Preservation to Unfinished Business
 - add 9.4 NSPS Membership Proposal to New Business
 - add 9.5 Exhibit Hall Passes to New Business
 - add 9.6 Electronic Voting to New BusinessPassed by voice without objection
- 7.0 [Reports](#)
 - 7.1 [NSPS President](#) - Patrick Beehler
Beehler: It is as posted thank you for allowing me to serve.
Matonich: I've put together a CD with by-laws committee charges manual and chairmen with the intention for everyone to get one.
 - 7.2 [ACSM Executive Director](#) – Curt Sumner
Why is it nobody ever asks, 'who surveyed that?' nobody knows who the surveyor was. I find that to be intriguing because you take the professional who provided all the data, by and large, on which a design occurs and from which construction occurs.
I would suggest that we as a group of profession to achieve the respect and attain the respect that we want, we have to recognize the fact that until we build that unity of purpose in a solid message that we all carry forward together and contribute to together that's not going to happen for us.
 - 7.3 [NSPS Treasurer](#) – John Fenn

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We reduced our money in Bank of America to keep it insured.

The 2009 budget is \$1,041,000. Membership dues form 66% of our income. TrigStar is doing well. CST will put on a program to promote participation. 2006 audit is progressing and should be final in the near future

7.4 [Board of Governors' Chairman](#) – Patrick Chairman Smith

I always enjoy the relationships of this office. I had the opportunity to present to the outgoing Mississippi Governor Richard Brantley a handsome plaque and certificate in honor of his fifteen years of service.

7.5 [Joint Government Affairs](#) – John Matonich

We will make an electronic copy [of the report] available as a good report to bring back to your local members and reflects the efforts of the national organization

COFPAES dealt with price based federal procurement issues in 2008 QBS is Qualification Based Selection. We focus very much on this.

Lobby day accomplished quite a bit last year because we were able to meet with the legislators not just their staff. It is always important to take only a few items ... they know who NSPS is!

On 3% withholding the coalition is spearheaded by the Chamber of Commerce. It is 3% of gross not profit for ANY government agency. It is scheduled for a 2011 start.

For railroad monumentation we have a draft bill to bring to sponsors and look forward to bringing it forward. We hope to have a lot of public support if not from the railroads.

National Height Mod continues to move forward but has budgetary issues.

For TrigStar we issued requests for an earmark \$250k to fund promotional materials and staff.

National Geospatial Advisory Committee deals with geospatial information gathering. NSPS isn't on the committee but ACSM is. We hope to get NSPS members on the committee.

STEM a proposal to forgive college loans for technology and engineering students. We got surveying included. It should be a big tool for promoting the profession

National Surveyors' Week is the 3rd week of March. We have achieved congressional recognition and are seeking presidential recognition. Please celebrate it in YOUR state.

Imagery for the nation is a program in which every 3 years the entire country would be flown and photographed. We need to be part of the data collection and control surveying.

This legislative session will likely be "labor friendly". Project Labor Agreements will be strongly favored under the new administration.

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About e-LOMAs, Federal Floodplain Surveyors program is not working like FEMA would like it to. One problem is the e-form is for individual lots not large areas. Fema are not happy with e-LOMAs. They may contract with individual firms (not surveyors) to submit e-LOMAs.

Our PAC raised \$7,100 spent \$5,000 approved by PAC trustees leaving a balance of \$51,000 in the PAC.

7.6 [ACSM Conferences](#) – John D. Hohol

I hope you are all having a good time in Salt Lake. The conference next year will be held in conjunction with GITA in Phoenix April 25-29. We are hoping to make the 2011 selection by next month. The attendance is about 1,200.

7.7 [Fédération Internationale des Géomètres](#) – John D. Hohol

This year the FIG Working Week 2009 will take place in Eilat, Israel. The Working Week will be held on 3-8 May 2009. We expect 700 participants from all over the world. NSPS member delegates include:

Curt Sumner to Commission 1 – Professional Standards and Practice,

Steve Frank to Commission 2 – Professional Education,

Robert Young to Commission 3 – Spatial Information Management,

Jerry Miller delegate to Commission 4 – Hydrography,

Dave Doyle delegate to Commission 5 – Positioning and Measurement,

Don Buhler is delegate to Commission 7 – Cadastre and Land Management,

Bob Foster is delegate to Commission 9 – Valuation and the Management of Real Estate,

I am head of delegation.

Jerry Curtis has been looking at interest in surveyors attending the XXIV FIG in Sydney, Australia. We are hopeful to visit Sydney as a group. Last time in Melbourne, Australia it was very good.

They may also have "home hosts" for surveyors to stay with local surveyors.

7.8 [CST](#) – Rita Lumos

No Report

7.9 [NCEES](#) – Patrick Beehler

The august meeting will be in Louisville Kentucky. NCEES does a lot of things for us; this brochure was put together for us. They have a booth in the hall. The reason they exist is to sell licensure.

Another thing that I'd like to say about NCEES is in their records program they have had since 1920. It costs \$150 and they assist you to present them to another state board.

This last year our BOD established a policy that encourages a 4 yr degree program NCEES recommends it be a bachelor of science

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7.10 [NSPS Foundation](#) – John Swan

My report is on-line.

One thing I enjoy as chairman is participation in the awards we gave out 13

As far as foundation funding goes, our financial house is in better order than in my memory. Balance in excess \$600,000 and we made about 5%

About the Safety video, in my report we indicate negotiation since then things have gotten a lot better and it is on track again with minor issues. I would like to have something to show at the Phoenix meeting next year.

Our goals for the coming year are: 1 complete the safety video, weather the financial storm, award our scholarships, Increase foundation membership, and strengthen ACSM.

7.11 [NSPS Insurance Program](#) – Curt Sumner

We are trying to make the insurance program stronger and make it open at whatever level is the proper level in all states.

We want to do is to find a way to cooperate with the state in whatever way is appropriate to provide the broadest possible coverage to surveyors across the country.

We want to have a dialog with all the state societies to learn what the states are offering, that we might have at the NSPS.

7.12 [NSPS Membership Development](#) – Jon Warren

Do you recall at our last meeting giving a pledge to get 2 or 3 members? You are our best salesmen. Get the name of NSPS out there. Wear your NSPS shirt to your chapter meetings and when asked you have an entree to getting a new member.

We have a new membership proposal to get every state association member to join NSPS, perhaps at a lesser level to accommodate everyone along. Change won't happen in a year or two but we need to be persistent.

Getting officers to state meetings is important. We have the of News & Views. Putting it in the state newsletters is very effective.

Booths at state meetings work well. Do the business card free membership. Always talk to the state conference banquet to present a free membership. Ask for help from your director. Be sure to be personal and welcome the new members! Craig Amey will work with me to make PowerPoint with talking points updated. This will give you the talking points to help gain new members.

On the website will be a rollout next week February 25th with a members' only section to maintain personal information..

Governors should CC each other on communications.

Please send any suggestions to us. We are always open to new ideas.

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Lisa [Insurance Agent] will attend any of the states' conferences that invite them when possible. They will work with you at the conferences.

- 7.13 [Member Benefits](#) – Lloyd Tolbert
No additional report.

- 7.14 [CCLS](#) – Murray LeGris

I bring greeting from Canada and regrets from Wayne. Our meeting is now and the reason for his absence.

We have been considering National Surveyor for some time and it may be coming to fruition. CCLS has voted to be a member organization instead of an association organization. We are moving toward to homogeneous rules for surveying. Legislation will come up in August.

We think this is good news.

If you are in Calgary in May we will welcome you there.

- 7.15 [ALTA/ACSM Standards](#) – Gary Kent

We are meeting tomorrow.

- 7.16 [Trig-Star](#) – Bob Miller

I want to thank John Shagdon for everything he did. Every meeting we find out something else John had done. Because of what he has done and the steps taken we are getting bigger and better.

Tonight we will present the \$5,000 TrigStar scholarship award to Jonathan Wilson of Jefferson Ohio. Last year Kendra from Montana won. Jonathon enrolled in Ohio State Geomatics/Engineering Program and also valedictorian of his class. He was not intending to go into surveying before he took the TrigStar test, even though he was a senior. It is a clear example of how even a senior can be directed to surveying.

Thanks to Wayne, Morris, John and anyone else pursuing legislative funding for TrigStar. We [need to] write to Congressman Ann Holland.

Our working meeting will be July 10-11 First date to grade tests to discuss issues and re-visit our strategic plan.

Wayne Harrison: We have been in touch with Rep. Van Hollen's office to move the program forward. The next step is to be received by the committee. Please ask former participants and teachers to write letters to Van Hollen commending the program. We are looking for \$250,000 for a full time position for TrigStar, develop a web page and sample exams. The first next step is to make the cut.

Kea: We started the program last year with 12 schools and 150 students. This year we have 17 schools with about 230 students. It is a huge success for us in Hawaii. including Hawaiian immersion schools.

- 7.17 [NGS](#) –David Doyle

I'd like you to meet Doug Brown who is at his first ACSM meeting.

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At NGS we have new leadership. Dave Z. retired and is replaced by Juliana Blackwell.

Dan roman spoke yesterday about Geoid 2009 as a holy grail.

Grav-D is a project for American vertical datum with long term goal to build a framework to the equator. We just finished Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

NGS has some new positions available for state advisors. Arkansas just filled for first time. Florida is open and Mississippi and Oregon plus a second position in Texas.

OPUS is still exciting and in last few months OPUS-DB with a separate data base, has been activated. We used to simply process the data with OPUS but that data is lost to NGS. A data sheet will now be available from the new database. It is limited to the surveying community.

We have a beta for OPUS leveling to process bar codes.

The 10 year plans is in review

We've made recent Federal Register notices with 3 new vertical datums in American Samoa, Guam and Marianas.

Our Corbin training facility is moving forward working with ACSM.

Look at the NGS website for some webinars. They are totally free

This last thing is very personal for me to identify a foot conversion to allow federal publishing and we are now down to two states: Missouri and Utah.

Doug Brown will speak about the advisor program.

Brown: I am geodesy program manager, which is mostly about future planning. We are about selling what geodesy does to decision makers by connecting it with outcomes.

I am leading a study about the structure of the state advisor program to assure it meets the vision of NGS in the 10 year plan. The primary responsibility of an advisor is to transfer technology and expertise. The role will grow as we transition from doing to training. We will be soliciting the opinions of people like yourselves. The advisers are the agents of our success.

7.18 [State Survey Statutes](#) – Robert Dahn

The matrix is finished. I have just e-mailed it to Tony Cavell so you should all have it soon and please share it to your state societies, the intended audience.

The board of Directors decided we would figure out a way to put it on our webpage.

7.19 [Museum of Surveying](#) – Bob Church

We have a PowerPoint presentation for you. The National Museum of Surveying, is in the state capital of Illinois, downtown Springfield, Illinois on 521 East Washington Street, in Springfield and Sangamon County, Illinois

Centrally located in Illinois as well as nationally intersected by two major interstates, it is approximately 200 miles from Chicago and Indianapolis and 100 miles from St. Louis.

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It has 32 historic sites including the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. It is located on historic Illinois Route 66, a National Scenic Byway

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum welcomed over 600,000 visitors from 47 countries in its first year of operation. There is an annual visitor base of more than 1 million people from around the globe; between its April 2005 opening and December 2006.

Nearly \$500,000 is spent annually to market Springfield to leisure visitors and conventioners through ad campaigns, direct mail, Web site and fulfillment brochures.

The National Museum of Surveying will be featured in the annual visitors guide and map sheets, on the Web site, in press information, as well as your special events included both on the Web site and in the published quarterly calendars.

We hope to open sometime in May. We hope this is a world class museum in honor of surveying, a place for young people to come and learn. I want everyone to know it is a real thing, it is happening and it is happening in Springfield.

7.20 [BLM](#) –Don Buhler

It's nice to be here this morning. I am originally from Utah.

BLM thanks the NSPS and ACSM for their support of our CFedS program with over 600 participants. Tonight is a graduation for 30 new CFedS. This program will be even more significant as the stimulus program goes forward with government programs. CFedS need to be involved in the programs

Thank John Matonich and Lawrence Socci for pushing this back in D.C.

We had a interagency cadastral meeting and plan to have one every meeting with ACSM

Governor Freemyer asked about the new manual

Buhler: We are in the final stages of the manual hoped for May of this year. We will have a ceremony at the next Board of Governor meeting. We hope the secretary will be present and congressman from Ohio and Alaska for the ceremony

8.0 [Unfinished Business](#) – Tracking of Action Taken by the NSPS Board of Directors on the Motions Passed by the NSPS Board of Governors

8.1 [Revisions to NSPS Board of Governors Procedures and Guidelines for Board Operation](#)

Changes to the document as recommended in the motion are being made and the revised document will be posted on the NSPS website..

8.2 [NSPS Dues Structure](#)

Motion: That the NSPS Board of Directors assign a study the current NSPS dues structure, as a task for the Membership

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Development Committee, and report at the Spring 2009 Conference in Salt Lake City.

NSPS Board of Directors passed verbatim. It is assigned to committee and they continue to work on how we can better the dues structure.

8.3 [Nebraska MOU](#)

Motion: That the NSPS President send a letter to the President of the Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska, expressing support for the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Nebraska Department of Roads, Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska and Southeast Nebraska Land Surveyors Association as presented to the NSPS Board of Governors on September 27, 2008.

NSPS Board of Directors passed verbatim. Letter not ready but will be out soon endorsed by Mr. Beehler or Matonich as appropriate.,

8.4 [Machine Control/Guidance](#)

Motion: requesting that the Chairman of the Board of Governors form an Ad-Hoc Committee to develop a Position Statement on machine control & machine guidance.

Committee was appointed with the following members: Mike Maxwell, Paul Burn, Matt Vernon, Alan Dragoo, & Kim Leavitt, with Carl C.de Baca (NSPS Area 9 Director) offering his assistance. Mr. Maxwell will give us an update and follow with information on Equipment Theft.

Maxwell: We will send out an e-mail to learn where stake-out requires a license etc. It would be nice to end up with a white paper expressing how should or shall be required to perform the DTM. You should get it in a few weeks. Please respond and get it back

8.5 [Equipment theft](#)

Mike Maxwell (Florida) reported that thievery has not abated. If it happens one should involve state wide authorities for assistance because the equipment moves quickly.

Remember the numerous databases of stolen equipment. Access them and use them if you are hit with theft.

Insurance risk worked well to help get the equipment back that was stolen.

8.6 [Railroad Monumentation Preservation](#)

Debra Anderson (Montana) reported that a draft of a bill for submittal very soon and will be distributed to governors to foster a consistent message.

9.0 [New Business](#)

9.1 [Disaster Manual](#) – Steven Douty, second by Robert Armstrong

MOTION: The Board of Governors (BOG) of the NSPS request that the Board of Directors of the NSPS establish the necessary

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committee to develop and publish a NSPS Disaster Management Manual.

The Disaster Management Manual Committee shall be charged with reporting to the Board of Governors and Board of Directors committee goals and plans along with funding suggestions at the fall, 2009 meeting.

9.2 [Youth Outreach/2010 National Scout Jamboree](#) – Wayne Hebert (Area 4)

I've seen in my travels that every state has a lot of energy about this program. I am in charge of getting a crew to staff the national jamboree in July 26-August 4, 2010 in Fort A. P. Hill Virginia near Bowling Green. It is the centennial anniversary of the boy scouts. We will need volunteers. We need governors to use a letter by Curt Sumner describing NSPS' program at the Jamboree.

I would hope you will each go back to your state and place it in the newsletter. We would also like to include 3 & 4 year students from surveying college programs so we need to find funds for them (\$695 includes room and board).

Please get in touch with Thomas Brooks or myself. This is the first time we are reaching out for help I hope we are inundated with volunteers. We don't have much time but we can do it.

9.3 [Membership change](#) – John Freemyer, second by Bill Glassey MOTION: That the Board of Directors support the membership proposal as attached.

NSPS Membership Proposal Introduction

By some estimates about 10% of all licensed land surveyors in the U.S. are NSPS members. That is a low number for our only national advocate. For several years the NSPS Membership Development Committee has worked hard to increase membership, but the results have been very limited. Likewise a discount program for dues, sometimes referred to as the "sliding scale", has resulted in very limited success. It is time to start a fresh dialogue on developing renewed interest in NSPS activities and membership.

NSPS membership could significantly increase through a closer partnership with each state surveyor association. This increase could have many positive benefits. 1.) The credibility of representing a much greater percentage of land surveyors. 2.) Increase interest in national activities that are important to our profession. 3.) Increase interest in annual conferences. 4.) Ability to adjust membership dues.

Most issues that directly impact land surveyors are handled on a state level, but some important issues can only be handled with a unified national voice. Working closer together NSPS and state associations could benefit each

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other in numerous ways with the direct involvement of many more members. It is time to start considering new models for representing our members and the profession.

Possible NSPS Membership Categories

Basic Membership: All land surveyor members of state surveyor organizations would become "NSPS – Basic Member." Fee: Small fee addition collected by state association for transfer to NSPS.

Benefits: Member of national society; ACSM Conference Discount; Website access to NSPS periodicals.

Full Membership: All land surveyor members of state surveyor organizations could select optional "NSPS – Full Member." Fee: Amount determined by NSPS Board of Directors based on operational needs in conjunction with state surveyor association partnerships. Benefits: Member of national society; Voting Rights; Right to hold office; ACSM Conference Discount; Insurance Discount Rights; Printed NSPS periodicals.

Other Memberships: To be determined.

Implementation

Creating a better NSPS partnership with state surveyor associations must start with a two way dialogue between the respective organizations. A proposal initially supported by the Board of Governors and Board of Directors would then be presented to the Board of Directors of each state surveyor organization for consideration and feedback. A single proposal would then be refined to meet the best overall needs of each organization.

The goal is to strengthen our profession through the work of our organizations at the state and national level.

Respectfully Submitted for Consideration By: NSPS Membership Development Committee

- 9.4 [Exhibit passes](#) – George Strother, second by Robert Miller
Many people who contribute to our conferences in committee services and the like may not be able to browse the exhibits. This seeks to remedy that.
MOTION: The BOG requests that committee members, Governors and Directors from each of the MOs that attend the conference for meetings only be granted exhibit hall passes.
- 9.5 [Electronic voting](#) – Debra Anderson, second by Warren Ward
MOTION: We believe electronic voting will increase participation and charge a task committee to review and bring forth a useful motion.
- 10.0 [Assignment of Motions and Action Items to Task Committees](#)
- 10.1 [Task Committee #1](#) - Education, Ethics, Private Practice, CST Program, Standards (Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Guam,

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- CCLS, Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Small State Executive)
Considers motion 9.5 Electronic Voting
- 10.2 [Task Committee #2](#) - Budget & Finance, Membership, Nomination, Bylaws, Resolutions, Administration (Alabama, Arizona, Indiana, Idaho, Kentucky, Mississippi, Montana, Iowa, Nebraska, Oregon, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Tennessee, West Virginia)
Considers motion 9.3 Membership changes
- 10.3 [Task Committee #3](#) - Government Practice, Legislative, NSPS PAC, External Affairs (California, Delaware, Hawaii, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, South Carolina, Virginia, Wisconsin)
Considers motion 9.4 Exhibit Hall Passes
- 10.4 [Task Committee #4](#) - State Affiliates, Regional Groups, Intra-State Issues, Public Relations, Programs (Connecticut, District of Columbia, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Large State Executive)
Considers 9.1 Disaster Manual
- 11.0 Joint Luncheon
- 12.0 Task Committee Breakout Sessions
- 13.0 [Reports and Recommendations from Task Committees – Act on Motions](#)
- 13.1 [Task Committee 1](#)– Debra Anderson
Favorably reported motion 9.5 Electronic Voting.
Passed by voice without objection
- 13.2 [Task Committee 2](#)– Chuck Paddock
Favorably reported motion 9.3 Membership changes as amended: MOTION: The Board of Governors request that the Board of Directors support the membership proposal as attached.
Passed by voice without objection
- 13.3 [Task Committee 3](#)– George Strother
Favorably reported motion 9.4 Exhibit Hall Passes as amended: MOTION: The BOG requests that the BOD direct the appropriate entity to annually consider that committee members, Governors and Directors from each of the MOs that attend the conference for meetings only be granted exhibit hall passes.
Passed by voice without objection
- 13.4 [Task Committee 4](#)– Alan Dragoo
Favorably reported motion 9.4 Exhibit Hall Passes as amended: MOTION: The Board of Governors (BOG) of the NSPS request that the Board of Directors of the

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NSPS establish the necessary committee to develop and publish a NSPS Crises Management Manual. The Crises Management Manual Committee shall be charged with reporting to the Board of Governors and Board of Directors committee goals and plans along with funding suggestions at the fall, 2009 meeting.

Passed by voice without objection

- 14.0 [Elections/Presentations](#)
 - 14.1 [Governor Service Awards](#)
 - 14.1.1 15 years
 - Michael H. Maxwell (Florida)
 - John E. Freemyer (Minnesota)
 - David L. Schmitz (Nebraska)
 - Nelson B. Douglass (West Virginia)
 - Thomas D. Drury (Rhode Island)
 - 14.1.2 10 Years
 - n/a
 - 14.1.3 5 Years
 - n/a
 - 14.2 [Key Governor Presentation](#)
 - 14.2.1 Fall, 2008, Arlington, Virginia - R. William "Bill" Glassey
Glassey: This is a wonderful honor and for the last six months I have been basking in it. I think you all for honoring me in this fashion. NSPS Governors, Surveyors first, are the finest people in the world and this is a great time when we come together from different parts of the country and get to know one another to deal with the issues that affect us separately and deal with them together. Thank you very much!
 - 14.3 [Key Governor Election](#)
 - Spring, 2009, Salt Lake City, Utah – Steve Douty
- 15.0 [Good of the Order](#)
 - 15.1 Governor's Trig-Star Scholarship Contribution. \$40.00 ea.
 - 15.2 Place NSPS booths in prominent places – Lloyd Tolbert
 - 16.0 [Adjourn](#) 3:42 p.m.

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2009

8:00 a.m.

1.0 New Governor Orientation

9:30 a.m.

2.0 Call to Order by Chairman Patrick A. Chairman Smith

2.1 Rules of procedure explained by Chairman Chairman Smith

2.1.1 Announce speaker's name and state when speaking

2.1.2 Cell phones silenced or \$100 donation to TrigStar

3.0 Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum by Secretary J. Anthony Cavell

Affiliate Exec. Large	Marilyn Evers	✓	Mississippi	Chris King	✓
Affiliate Exec. Small	Pauline Barney	✗	Missouri	Charles E. Kutz	✓
Alabama	Bob McCager (proxy)	✓	Montana	Debra Anderson	✓
Alaska	George Strother	✓	Nebraska	David Schmitz	✓
Arizona	Chuck Paddock	✓	Nevada	Matt Gingerich (proxy)	✓
Arkansas	Stephen Corley	✓	New Hampshire	Mark C. Sargent	✓
California	Matthew Vernon	✓	New Jersey	Frank Lenik	✓
Canada	? Murray (proxy)	✓	New Mexico	Gary Eidson (proxy)	✓
Colorado	Warren Ward	✓	New York	Malcolm Shaw	✗
Connecticut	Rick Howard	✓	North Carolina	Mike Benton	✓
Delaware	Robert E. Wijkowski	✓	North Dakota	Dan Fisher (proxy)	✓
District of Columbia	Roland Dreist	✓	Ohio	Thomas Besch	✗
Florida	Michael Maxwell	✓	Oklahoma	D.W. Converse	✓
Georgia	Robert T. Armstrong	✓	Oregon	Lloyd Tolbert	✓
Guam	Thomas Condon	✗	Pennsylvania	Robert Miller	✓
Hawaii	Kevin K. Kea, LPLS	✓	Puerto Rico	Ismael Carrasquillo	✗
Idaho	Kim Leavitt	✓	Rhode Island	Thomas Drury	✓
Illinois	Timothy Burch, PLS	✓	South Carolina	Henry B. Dingle	✓
Indiana	E. Donald Bengel	✓	South Dakota	Tom Berkland	✓
Iowa	Richard Leu	✓	Tennessee	John Kohl	✓
Kansas	Larry Graham	✓	Texas	Patrick Chairman Smith	✓
Kentucky	Craig Palmer	✓	Utah	Steven V. Keisel	✓
Louisiana	Tony Cavell, PLS	✓	Vermont	Vaughn Button	✓
Maine	Stephen Gould	✓	Virginia	Steven Douty	✓
Maryland	Alan Dragoo	✓	Washington	Bill Glassey	✓
Massachusetts	A. Richard Vannozi	✓	West Virginia	Nelson Douglass	✓
Michigan	Craig P. Amey	✓	Wisconsin	Francis R. Thousand	✓
Michigan	John E. Freemyer	✓	Wyoming	Cotton Jones?	✓

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52 members answered the call. 4 are absent. We have a quorum.

9:36 a.m.

4.0 Approval of Minutes of Arlington Meeting

Minutes from Arlington, Virginia Meeting, September 27, 2008 distributed.

Motion to approve by Governor George Strother of Alaska; second by Governor Jones? of Wyoming

Passed by voice without objection

9:37 a.m.

5.0 Introduction of Guests

Guests dignitaries, officers and members of the Board of Directors present were introduced.

6.0 Additions and Approval of Agenda

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Motion and second to approve

Passed by voice without objection

9:46 a.m.

7.0 Reports

7.1 NSPS President – Patrick Beehler 2008/John Matonich 2009

Beehler: It is as posted thank you for allowing me to serve.

Matonich: Thank you and good morning. Always a great day to be a surveyor

I've put together a CD with by-laws committee charges manual and chairmen with the intention for everyone to get one. That is all the president has to report at this time

9:49 a.m.

7.5 Joint Government Affairs – John Matonich

I intend to continue as chairman. We will make an electronic copy available on the web site. It serves as a good report to bring back to your local members and reflects the efforts of the national organization

Fema modernization coalition and RISK maps should have an increase in funding.

FEMA wants to do away with use of paper maps and rely on electronic copies going forward.

COFPAES deals with the Brooks Act. Mr. Dolan is our delegate I am the alternate.

Lawrence is staff. COFPAES dealt with price based federal procurement issues in 2008 and had them turned back. Longest turnaround was about a day and a half. QBS is Qualification Based Selection. We focus very much on this.

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Lobby day 2009 last Thursday in September at our fall meetings. We accomplished quite a bit last year because we were able to meet with the legislators not just their staff. It is always important to take only a few items because they have short attention spans. However, they know who NSPS is!

On 3% withholding the coalition is spearheaded by the Chamber of Commerce. It is simply unfair. It is 3% of gross not profit for ANY government agency with over \$100M budget and may not even return the whole amount withheld. It is scheduled for a 2011 start.

For railroad monumentation we have a draft bill to bring to sponsors and look forward to bringing it forward. We hope to have a lot of public support if not from the railroads.

National Height Mod continues to move forward but has budgetary issues.

For TrigStar we issued requests for an earmark \$250k to fund promotional materials and staff. There are 10,500 schools districts in the US our goal is get in every one.

National Geospatial Advisory Committee deals with geospatial information gathering. NSPS isn't on the committee but ACSM is. We hope to get NSPS members on the committee.

On the good news side is STEM a proposal to forgive college loans for technology and engineering students. We got surveying included. It should be a big tool for promoting the profession

There was a State Advisor update from NOAA who is studying the future of their program

In the northeast part of the country a member was audited for paying overtime. A local auditor determined anyone who could even spell surveying required overtime pay. We are seeking to learn why. What is the thinking? We'd like to understand. Being a member of a learned profession is important to the future of surveying and to the government

Regarding requests for letters requesting for support by other associations, we ask for reciprocity before endorsing their proposals.

National Surveyors' Week is the 3rd week of March. We have achieved congressional recognition and are seeking presidential recognition. Please celebrate it in YOUR state.

Imagery for the nation is a program in which every 3 years the entire country would be flown and photographed. We need to be part of the data collection and control surveying.

Agency Day will be the Wednesday before Lobby Day for reports on their agencies that may be of interest to surveyors.

In California agencies Withheld information But a group got info released at copy costs

Some are finding it difficult to get ownership information

Fed land management funding

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This legislative session will likely be "labor friendly". Project Labor Agreements will be strongly favored under the new administration.

About e-LOMAs, Federal Floodplain Surveyors program is not working like FEMA would like it to. One problem is the e-form is for individual lots not large areas. Fema are not happy with e-LOMAs. They may contract with individual firms (not surveyors) to submit e-LOMAs.

As a surveyor I couldn't determine my house' flood zone. I needed to pay \$17 to a 3rd party.

Our PAC raised \$7,100 spent \$5,000 approved by PAC trustees leaving a balance of \$51,000 in the PAC. A few years ago it was only about \$4,000. Please spend freely at the auction this evening.

We will publish an ad in DC to thank those who supported us in the bid for National Surveyors' Week.

Thank you for your time and attention. Please ask for our help on anything

10:11

7.3 NSPS Treasurer – John Fenn

Is it worth being a NSPS member? Are ou getting my reports? Good! We will continue to send them periodically

We reduced our money in Bank of America to keep it insured.

I projected \$7,000 but we had \$12,000. The 2009 budget is \$1,041,000. Membership dues form 66% of our income

Our first payment to ACSM is 1/2 of what we pay based on membership annually, \$414,352. I authorized half of that leaving two more of over \$100,000 each. We also pay about \$15,000 a month for overhead

TrigStar is doing well but CST mmap?? is moving from east to west. CST will put on a program to promote participation. Remember you put your license in your crew's back pocket

2006 audit is progressing and should be final in the near future

Questions?

7.13 Member benefits/services – Lloyd Tolbert

No additional report at this time.

10:21 a.m.

7.14 CCLS – Murray LeGris

I bring greeting from Canada and regrets from Wayne who has been a surveyor for 50 years. Our meeting is now also and the reason for his absence.

Here are some highlights: We have been considering National Surveyor for some time and it may be coming to fruition. CCLS has voted to be a member organization instead of an association organization. We are moving toward to homogeneous rules for surveying. Legislation will come up in August.

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We think this is good news. We think one should not have to wait 2 weeks to take an exam.

If you are in Calgary in May we will welcome you there.

Thank you

10:26 am

7.17 NGS – David Doyle

I'd like you to meet Doug Brown who is at his first ACSM meeting. Visit with him.

This is a brief run-down on what is going on at NGS. We have new leadership. Dave Z. retired and is replaced by Juliana Blackwell.

Dan roman spoke yesterday about Geoid 2009 as a holy grail.

Grav_D is a project for american vertical datum with long term goal to build a framework to the equator. We just finished Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. It is still an unfunded project.

NGS has some new positions available for state advisors. Arkansas just filled for first time. Florida is open and Mississippi and Oregon plus a second position in Texas.

OPUS is still exciting and in last few months OPUS-DB has been activated. We used to simply process the data with OPUS. Since 2002 usage is at 20,000/month but that data is lost to NGS.

OPUS-DB is a separate data base from the main one for NSRS. A data sheet will now be available from the new database. It is limited to the surveying community.

We will gain tens of thousands of as yet un-measured points

We have a beta on OPUS leveling to process bar codes.

The 10 year plans is in review

We've made recent federal register notices with 3 new vertical datums in American Samoa, Guam and Marianas.

Our Corbin training facility is moving forward working with ACSM.

Look at the NGS website for some webinars. They are totally free

This last thing is very personal for me. I've been working on those states to identify a foot conversion to allow federal publishing and we are now down to two states: Missouri and Utah.

I will invite Doug Brown to speak about the advisor program.

10:37 am

I am geodesy program manager, which is mostly about future planning etc. We are about planning several budgets in the future.

We are about selling what geodesy does to decision makers by connecting it with outcomes.

I am leading a study with Ronnie Taylor and Dru Smith to study the structure of the state advisor program to assure it meets the vision of NGS in the 10 year plan for evolving the core competencies and deliveries. It should be out by September of this year.

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The primary responsibility of an advisor is to transfer technology and expertise to assure you are working properly. The role will grow as we transition from doing to training. We will be soliciting the opinions of people like yourselves to get vetting from you folks. The advisers are the agents of our success.

Thank you.

7.15 ALTA/ACSM Standards – Gary Kent

Meeting tomorrow

10:43 a.m.

7.20 BLM – Don Buhler

It's nice to be here this morning. I am originally from Utah. Utah and Missouri have a common history with the Mormons and may be reflected in the earlier comments about the conversion factors

BLM thanks the NSPS And ACSM for their support of our CFedS program with over 600 participants, tonight is a graduation for 30 new CFedS. This program will be even more significant as the stimulus program goes forward with government programs. CFedS need to be involved in the programs

Thank John Matonich and Lawrence Socci for pushing this back in D.C.

We had a interagency cadastral meeting and plan to have one every meeting with ACSM

Thank you

Governor Freemyer asked about the new manual

Buhler: We are in the final stages of the manual hoped for May of this year but due to the printing office we will have a ceremony at the next Board of Governor meeting. We hope the secretary will be present and congressman from Ohio and Alaska for the ceremony

We want all the governors too

10:49

Chairman Smith: "Lets recess for 10 minutes"

11:00 a.m.

7.4 Board of Governor's Chairman – Patrick Smith

I'll cover my report very quickly since there isn't much of a report other than to say I continue to enjoy working with this distinguished group. I always enjoy the relationships of this office. I was able to attend the Areas 3 & 4 meeting at the Mississippi meeting in Vicksburg at which I had the opportunity to present to the outgoing Mississippi Governor Richard Brantley who we've all known forever and joined the governors and a handsome plaque and certificate in honor of his fifteen years of service. It was a very enjoyable aspect of this position.

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11:04 a.m.

7.6 Conferences – John Hohol

Thanks, everyone. I hope you are all having a good time in Salt Lake. It is partnered with Utah Montana and WestFed. We are looking for good things to come out of this. The conference next year will be held in conjunction with GITA (Geographic Information Technology Association) in Phoenix April 25-29. In addition we are going to be looking at some additional things we can hold in conjunction with the Fall business meeting as well.

Are there any comments or questions?

Freemyer: Do you know yet about 2011 site?

A: We are hoping to make a selection by next month.

Q: Do you know the attendance

A: At the last check slightly over 1,200. If you've noticed the exhibit hall you know we have greatly reduced exhibitor participation. Basically it's an economic issue. Hopefully with all the positive things proposed with the stimulus we will see a turn around. As usual I put an updated list of all conferences on the back table

11:06 a.m.

7.7 Fédération Internationale des Géomètres – John Hohol

This year the FIG Working Week 2009 will take place in Eilat, Israel, on the north shores of the Red Sea. The Working Week will be held on 3-8 May 2009. We expect 700 participants from all over the world. It was scheduled for 2003 but postponed because of domestic problems and was held in Paris that year.

NSPS member delegates include Curt Sumner to Commission 1 – Professional Standards and Practice,

Steve Frank to Commission 2 – Professional Education & chair elect so part of the management of that commission. We don't usually see many americans participating at that level so that is very worthwhile.

Also serving as delegate will be Robert Young to Commission 3 – Spatial Information Management,

Jerry Miller delegate to Commission 4 – Hydrography,

Dave Doyle delegate to Commission 5 – Positioning and Measurement,

None to Commission 6 – Engineering Surveys,

Don Buhler is delegate to Commission 7 – Cadastre and Land Management,

None to Commission 8 – Spatial Planning and Development,

Bob Foster is delegate to Commission 9 – Valuation and the Management of Real Estate,

And none to Commission 10 - Construction Economics and Management.

I am head of delegation.

Jerry Curtis has been looking at interest in surveyors attending the XXIV FIG International Congress and Working Week and XXXIII General Assembly 11-16 April, 2010 in Sydney, Australia See the forms he has produced asking for

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interest in the ACSM bookstore. We are hopeful to visit Sydney as a group. Last time in Melbourne, Australia it was very good.

They may also have "home hosts" for surveyors to stay with local surveyors. There is a form to collect indication of interest. One break is \$1600 includes a flight to and an interior flight and 6 nights' accommodations. Quite a good deal!

I continue to report in the bulletin about the F.I.G. If there are things we need to bring to F.I.G. please let us know so the American delegation can be a voice for you.

Thank you very much.

Chairman Smith: Gary Kent wants to know if there is an interest in an ALTA committee meeting held tomorrow or later because of the conflict of today's schedule. I see about 7 and the choice seems to be tomorrow anytime.

Thanks Gary, please report later today what you learn.

11:12 a.m.

7.10 NSPS Foundation John Swan

As you know I am John Swan from Maine. Maine is one of the few states that still have 100% participation in NSPS if you are a member of the state society. Every year we have to fight that battle but maybe we won because this year it didn't come up at our meeting.

As far as the Foundation is concerned My report is on-line.

One thing I enjoy as chairman is participation in the awards judging for scholarships.

Out of 15 possible we gave out 13 which is very good. Some of the scholarships are very targeted and so not everyone qualifies for all of them. We had over 30 applicants and placed 13.

I think the judges did a great job. My hat's off to them. Every judge got at least 2 of their 5 choices in the top 5 chosen. One judge got all 5 and in the correct order! It was great!

As far as foundation funding goes, Earlier Brett Jefferson got an award our financial house is in better order than in my memory. Balance in excess \$600,000 and we made about 5% about \$30,000. We are happy about that.

About the Safety video, in my report we indicate negotiation since then things have gotten a lot better and it is on track again with minor issues. Funding is one of them. The board committed to continue with the video. I would like to have something to show at the Phoenix meeting next year.

Speaking of Phoenix the golf tournament will be put back in and a raffle also. They were successful in the past such as in Spokane. We hope to do it again. Please give us your input if you have any ideas.

Our goals for the coming year are: 1 complete the safety video, weather the financial storm, award our scholarships, Increase foundation membership, and strengthen ACSM.

Thank you

11:18

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7.8 CST – Rita Lumos

Rita isn't here with us today. John Fenn spoke to us earlier and mentioned CST. Does anyone else have anything to add?

Hearing none, we have no further report.

11:19 a.m.

7.9 NCEES – Patrick Beehler

Even at 64 I'm still a slow learner, I should have done what John Matonich did and early on made my report earlier. Actually it is best that I do stay in the meeting. As many of you are aware Rita Lumos is a long time representative for NSPS for POLC that's participating organizations' liaison council that part of NCEES serves licensing boards what the POLC is for associations such as NSPS but also includes ACSM so we have two who represent the surveying organization the other is Jim Reiny is the new rep for ACSM. The august meeting will be in Louisville Kentucky very close to his home. Rita did serve us ably for all those years on NCEES it is in two week in Atlanta.

NCEES does a lot of things for us; this brochure was put together for us. They have a booth in the hall. Stop by and visit with them. The reason they exist is to sell licensure. They are very protective of their exams and are careful about the calculators used and procedures for taking their exams to prevent stealing the questions.

Another thing that I'd like to say about NCEES is in their other brochure. It is a records program they have had since 1920. It costs \$150 but if you put it into NCEES then when you try to get comity all your records are there and they assist you to present them to the other state board.

This last year our BOD established a policy that encourages a 4 yr degree program NCEES recommends it be a bachelor of science including 24 hours of surveying. Of course some of it may be on-line. Those people who are looking at changing their careers and will be able to add to their BS degree.

Surveyors may not forget a bearing tree or difficult to locate monument but lose our way without a shopping list in a grocery store. We surveyors use critical thinking. This suggestion will vet for critical thinking.

Please stop by their booth. I will be around so please see me if you have questions

11:25 a.m.

7.12 NSPS Membership Development – Jon Warren

Good morning all.

Do you recall at our last meeting giving a pledge to get 2 or 3 members? May I see hands of those able to do so? 12-13-14-15 that's great! How may managed to retain existing members. Just about all! Would those of you who didn't raise your hand please raise your hand? All we ask you to pledge is to do better.

You are our best salesmen; along with our governors and directors and chapter meetings and even at your offices. How many are wearing our NSPS shirts? Not bad but we need to do better. Get the name of NSPS out there.

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Wear it to your chapter meetings and when asked you have an entre to getting a new member. It is a critical time for the economy and all. There was a small decline last year but I believe we have time to recover in 2009.

Have you read my report? We have a new membership proposal to get every state association member to join NSPS. What can we provide? Perhaps a lesser level to accommodate everyone along with the full membership. Jon Freemyer brought it out last year. We think this may be the right time to bring this out and give it a try. We've talked about this for many years but I think the time now is better. Change won't happen in a year or two but we need to be persistent.

We discussed what is working and what is not. Get officers to state meetings is important We have the first few editions of News & Views. I hope everyone is receiving News & Views. Putting it in the state newsletters is very effective.

Booths at state meetings work well. Do the business card free membership. It is a chance to talk to the whole membership. Always talk to the state conference banquet when giving the business card award. It is the responsibility of each governor to present a free membership and talk to the whole of the membership. Ask for help from your director.

On the complimentary membership we now ask them to submit the application ad it seems to be working to better hit the target group. WE have dropped from 75 to 35 but it is a better contact. Be sure to be personal and welcome the new members!

I'm not sure if e-blast went out as planned.

Craig amy will work with me to make PowerPoint with talking points updated. This will give you the talking points to help gain new members.

On the website will be a rollout next week February 25th with a members' only section to maintain personal information. It is a change for ACSM's whole website.

WE haven't yet had a new member reception. We have to work on that.

Governors should CC each other on communications. This helps us to borrow good things others send out. It's a very good way to be consistent in our communications.

Membership may be down some due to economy but keep building the base so it will grow well when times improve. The optimist in me says it looks like we're bottoming our now.

Please send any suggestions to us. We are always open to new ideas.

Any Questions on membership?

Lloyd Tolbert: We had a successful conference in January. The business card speech gave me a chance to make a point; having participants testify to the savings of the insurance program was very effective. Small business owners looking closely at ever cost was attractive.

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A: Lisa will attend any of the states' conferences that invite them when possible. We are working with Lisa to learn what states have complete programs and what ones have partial plans so as not to compete with what they have. They will work with you at the conferences.

11:42 a.m.

Strategic Planning Committee

That concludes my membership report but if I may, John Matonich and Pat at a transition meeting back in DC formed an ad hoc committee and John asked us to prepare a NSPS strategic plan

Last time we did that was 1994. Everyone participated and produced quite a document. I'd like to speak on a strategic planning committee. NSPS strategic plan will be revisited this summer and again in the fall we may have a draft after that. We have a goal to have something by the next spring meeting. We've tried to get a good representation on the committee. We will post what we have from 1994 and you will be able to review how we are doing.

Any other Questions?

Please stand. Thank you. Is that everyone? The membership is our lifeblood if each of you got just 2 or 3 members it would be a lot of money for our organization. If everyone does the best they can. Please repeat after me: "I will do my best to recruit 3 new members this year."

Thank you folks,

Chairman Smith : You have to enjoy John's reports if for no other reason you can't leave one of these meetings without something to do when you get back.

11:45 a.m.

7.16 TrigStar – Bob Miller

You don't have to stand up just take out your check book turn on your cell phone and have someone call you. (Laughter)

We had a TrigStar meeting yesterday. I'll inform you about a few things there. I want to thank John Shagdon personally and from the TrigStar committee for everything he did. Every meeting we find out something else John shagdon had done that we didn't know about. It is all a learning curve for us. Because of what he has done and the steps taken we are getting bigger and better and so we are setting things up more formally with officers and the like.

The best thing we have to report is tonight we will present the \$5,000 TrigStar scholarship award to Jonathan Wilson of Jefferson Ohio. Jonathon is our second winner. Last year Kendra from Montana. This is special for us because Jonathon won the TrigStar in Ohio and Jonathon enrolled in Ohio State Geomatics/Engineering Program and also valedictorian of his class. So here we see the number one student of a high school going into surveying. So anyone seeing Jonathon tonight please congratulate him

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Thanks to Wayne Morris John and anyone else who is pursuing legislative funding for TrigStar. We will do our best to follow up with people who will write to Congressman Ann Holland.

I will close announcing our working meeting July 10-11 First date to grade tests to discuss issues and re-visit our strategic plan.

Thank you

Chairman Smith: One minute, George, Wayne had an embellishment on the TrigStar winner.

George: My additional comment is he was not intending to go into surveying before he took the TrigStar test, even though he was a senior. It is a clear example of how even a senior can be directed to surveying. So use the TrigStar to interest and direct students interest to surveying.

Bob One of the local schools I gave a test to had a senior who was already accepted to civil engineering but he changed to surveying.

Wayne Harrison: I know several of you may have heard mention of TrigStar funding. Here is a little history. We have been in touch with Rep. Van Hollen's office for the last two years to move the program forward. The next step is to make the cut to be received by the committee. Please ask former participants and teachers to write letters to Van Hollen commending the program.

We are looking for \$250,000. This would allow us to afford a full time position for TrigStar, develop a web page and sample exams. We want to develop marketing program and volunteers training. The first next step is to make the cut.

Questions?

Thank you

Chairman Smith: I would ask for Additional comment from Hawaii governor Kevin Kea to show what they have accomplished.

Kea: We started the program last year with 12 schools and 150 students. This year we have 17 schools with about 230 students. It is a huge success for us in Hawaii. We've involved all types of schools, public and private including Hawaiian immersion schools where all is taught in the Hawaiian language.

Chairman Smith; His two years in the program are already more successful than some states that have been in the program for a 5-10 years.

It is noon we will break for lunch and we have gone this year to box lunches so let's break until 1:00

I need to see the Area 6 governors for a few minutes when we recess: Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri Nebraska and Oklahoma.

11:57 recess for lunch

1:00 p.m.

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Reconvene from lunch

7.18 State Statutes – Robert Dahn

I can be very brief I apologize for there not being a written report so I can say I “there is a written report I have nothing else to say.” I’ve been unable to e-mail an attachment to the NSPS headquarters so I’ve been unable to e-mail the report which is why the finished matrix did not get distributed to everybody. Until this morning it didn’t dawn on me that if I just got it to Tony (Cavell) it would have gotten to all of you. I have just e-mailed it to him and instead of the office so you should all have it soon and please share it to your state societies because that is really the intended audience.

The other good news is the economy has been very slow so my son was able to do color coded charts of the states so you can simply look at the map to tell whether a state has a particular statute or not.

Thank you all.

Q Glassy: It’s complete? All the blanks are filled in?

A: to the best of my knowledge yes.

Glassey: None are still forthcoming? Are you finished bugging people?

A: I’m finished bugging people. I won’t say I got a response from everybody but I am finished bugging everybody.

Glassey: The finished thing is a spreadsheet?

A: It has a clickable thing in almost every case for each of the statutes

Glassey: So it’s better to distribute it electronically.

A: Absolutely. The board of Directors decided we would figure out a way to put it on our webpage.

7.19 Museum of Surveying – Robert Church

We have a presentation for you. We want you to see it and understand about it.

National Museum of Surveying, is in the state capital of Illinois, downtown Springfield, Illinois on 521 East Washington Street, in Springfield and Sangamon County, Illinois

Centrally located in Illinois as well as nationally Intersected by two major interstates, it is approximately 200 miles from Chicago and Indianapolis and 100 miles from St. Louis

Its major industries include tourism, government, health care and customer care. It has 32 historic sites including the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. It is located on historic Illinois Route 66, a National Scenic Byway

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum welcomed over 600,000 visitors from 47 countries in its first year of operation. The complex includes the Museum, Library, Union Square Park and historic Union Station

There is an annual visitor base of more than 1 million people from around the globe; one million visitors to the A. Lincoln Presidential Museum between its April 2005 opening and December 2006

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Nearly \$500,000 is spent annually to market Springfield to leisure visitors and conventioners through ad campaigns, direct mail, Web site and fulfillment brochures. In 2006, www.visit-springfieldillinois.com (the official city tourism Web site) has received over 42 million hits – a 110% increase over 2005. Targeted summer advertising campaigns in St. Louis/Chicago/Indianapolis in partnership with local hotels garnered over \$8.6 million in free regional, national and international media coverage of Springfield tourism attractions in 2005.

National Museum of Surveying will be featured in the annual visitors guide and map sheets, on the Web site, in press information, as well as your special events included both on the Web site and in the published quarterly calendars.

We hope to open sometime in May. We know the economy is not the best it could be. We hope this is a world class museum in honor of surveying, a place for young people to come and learn. I want everyone to know it is a real thing, it is happening and it is happening in Springfield.

Thank you.

1:15pm

Chairman Smith: We are now at the conclusion of our reports except for Curt Sumner who is tied up in meetings all day. His is the only report we don't have yet.

1:16 p.m.

7.0 Unfinished Business

8.1 Revisions to NSPS Board of Governors Procedures and Guidelines for Board Operation

This motion involves a Board of Governors document and required no secondary/affirming action by the Board of Directors. Changes to the document as recommended in the motion are being made and the revised document will be posted on the NSPS website.

Updates are not on the CD distributes

8.2 NSPS Dues Structure

That the NSPS Board of Directors assign a study the current NSPS dues structure, as a task for the Membership Development Committee, and report at the Spring 2009 Conference in Salt Lake City.

Motion was carried forward to NSPS Board of Directors and passed verbatim. It is assigned to Mr. Warren and his committee and they continue to work on how we can better the dues structure.

8.3 Nebraska MOU

That the NSPS President send a letter to the President of the Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska, expressing support for the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Nebraska Department of Roads, Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska and Southeast Nebraska Land

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Surveyors Association as presented to the NSPS Board of Governors on September 27, 2008.

Motion was carried forward to NSPS Board of Directors and passed verbatim. Letter not ready but will be out soon endorsed by Mr. Beehler or Matonich as appropriate.

8.4 Machine Control/Guidance

Motion requesting that the Chairman of the Board of Governors form an Ad Hoc Committee to develop a Position Statement on machine control & machine guidance.

Committee was appointed with the following members: Mike Maxwell, Paul Burn, Matt Vernon, Alan Dragoo, & Kim Leavitt, with Carl C.de Baca (NSPS Area 9 Director) offering his assistance. Mr. Maxwell will give us an update and follow with information on Equipment Theft.

Maxwell: What we are going to do like what we did for Bob Dahn and send out an e-mail first to learn where stake-out requires a license and second does your board have an opinion about who should be required to prepare a DTM that is used by machine control Is it a surveying function or may anyone do it?

It would be nice to end up with a white paper expressing how should or shall be required to perform the DTM. Of course, the wording will depend to a great degree on how the statutes are worded.

You should get that in a few weeks. Please respond and get it back

1:21 p.m.

8.4 Equipment Theft – Mike Maxwell from Florida

I learned yesterday of yet another theft in Florida. This problem hadn't gone away.

There have been some interesting developments. You may remember years ago at the Landover meeting we asked manufacturers to include PIN protection for equipment and pretty quickly they did.

One company in Fort Lauderdale had an instrument taken at gunpoint and the next day it was being sold over eBay in Tampa but they couldn't get it to work so they called Leica who realized it was stolen. State police went to the buyer and he had several such items in his shop. Pawn shops are very regulated unlike these resell shops

We believe a lot of it is going out of the country. It is unfortunate that people are being held up at gun point for this equipment. Some have tried embedding a GPS tracker in the handles but the signal doesn't get through. I had one put in the case for my total station when a fellow drove up and simply tossed the instrument on the tripod into his truck. The tracker didn't do much good in the case.

If it happens to you don't simply go to the sheriff go to your state authorities. It has been critical for us to have state wide coverage.

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I forgot to mention I got an email from Georgia about stolen equipment he called us and we put him in our database and reminded him of the numerous databases of stolen equipment. Access them and use them if you are hit with theft.

DW Oklahoma: Insurance risk worked well for us to help get the equipment back that we had stolen. I want to praise them on that aspect.

1:27 p.m.

8.5 Railroad Abandonment Debra Anderson (Montana)

Several of the Governors have been contacting me asking for an update on when a bill will be drafted and if they could be copied on it. It needs to go to the BOG and I will e-mail the document and talking points to each governor.

We really want everyone to have the same story and to get good results.

Questions?

Chairman Smith: Thank you Debi.

I have another comment related to Debi's report. The legislation is drafted. The white paper and talking points will be coming to you all. You need to familiarize yourself with it so we can speak to our congressmen and senators and it is important that we all speak the same message.

A message from Gary Kent in rm. 150C at 2pm tomorrow you will find instructions about where the meeting will be.

1:32 p.m.

9.0 New Business

We will now to go New Business and the introduction of motions for referral to task committees but first I will make an appeal for volunteers for committee assignments.

Committee assignments:

- Excellence in professional journals: Corley Howard and Ilsa. Craig Amy will continue to serve and we need a volunteer
 - Student project: Corley and Howard. We need two volunteers.
 - Affiliate of the year: Coots and Gould. Coots can't return. We need 3 volunteers.
 - Surveying excellence: Gould and Coots. We need 3 volunteers.
 - Map and Plat: Bingle, Jones and Vernon. We need 3 volunteers.
- I will appoint as needed if no volunteers come forward.

1:35 p.m.

9.2 Youth Outreach/2010 National Scout Jamboree (Wayne Hebert)

First please may I have a show of hands of those who are active with boy scouts as leader ... A few.

How many know of the surveying merit badge? ... Many

How many have a committee in your state to take care of the merit badge? ... Many

I've seen in my travels that every state has a lot of energy about this program

I discovered I am in charge of getting a crew to staff the national jamboree in July 26-August 4, 2010 in Fort A. P. Hill Virginia near Bowling Green.

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It is the centennial anniversary of the boy scouts and Thomas brooks and I came up with a plan on the report on how to get a message out. We will need volunteers. We need governors to use a letter by Curt Sumner describing NSPS' program at the Jamboree.

I would hope you will each go back to your state and place it in the newsletter. The link is on the NSPS page. It Includes history and cost and need for leadership

We would also like to include 3 & 4 year students from surveying college programs so we need to find funds for them (\$695 includes room and board) a donation of support for one from each state will make this program fly.

We are graying and should know how better the scouts relate to a young party chief than to myself.

Please get in touch with Thomas Brooks or myself. This is the first time we are reaching out for help I hope we are inundated with volunteers. Personally, I will be happy to present to your states regarding this or the geocaching programs

Please help us we only have 523 days. We don't have much time but we can do it
Thank you.

1:34 p.m.

Steve Douty: Mr. Chairman, thank you. First I rise to a point of personal privilege. It's come to my attention that Governor Steve Corley of Arkansas recently proposed to a young lady and it was accepted. I think we should applaud Steve to congratulate him and extend our sympathy. (Applause)

9.1 Disaster Manual by Steve Douty, second by Robert Armstrong

All of us are impacted by disaster whether it be flood, fire, death or whatever. This manual will be a benefit to our members and maybe even a generator of moneys.

MOTION: The Board of Governors (BOG) of the NSPS request that the Board of Directors of the NSPS establish the necessary committee to develop and publish a NSPS Disaster Management Manual.

The Disaster Management Manual Committee shall be charged with reporting to the Board of Governors and Board of Directors committee goals and plans along with funding suggestions at the fall, 2009 meeting.

BACKGROUND: The members of our organization are continually experiencing the ill effects of health hazards, crises and disasters. In an effort to meet the needs of its members created by to these crises the NSPS Foundation has established a Natural Disaster

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Fund and the NSPS Board of Directors has established a Surveyors Health Hazard Committee.

A short list of disasters and crises that our members are exposed to include but are not limited to: flood and water damage, adverse weather at all extremes, health hazards, death and dismemberment, fire and financial disasters. The Board of Governors feels that the creation and distribution of a manual that would provide guidelines for the minimizing of the impact of these events, and the recovery from these events would be a positive member service.

The Board of Governors further feels that there is a large body of knowledge within its membership and its commercial affiliates that could, and should, be compiled for the benefit of the membership.

1:44pm

9.3 Membership change by John Freemyer second by Bill Glassey

This is too long to read in its entirety I recommend the task committee will read it.

MOTION: The Board of Governors request that the Board of Directors support the membership proposal as attached.

BACKGROUND: In compliance with a motion approved by the Board of Governors at their Fall 2008 meeting to study the NSPS membership categories, the NSPS Membership Development Committee is requesting that the membership proposal (as attached) be supported by the Board of Governors. If this motion is approved, the committee will prepare a uniform message (by the Fall 2009 meeting) to seek feedback, support and endorsement by the affiliates of NSPS. The committee believes that this process is important and the goal is to strengthen NSPS and its affiliates through closer partnerships.

2:46 p.m.

9.4 Exhibit passes by George Strother second by Robert Miller

Many people who contribute to our conferences in committee services and the like may not be able to browse the exhibits. This seeks to remedy that.

MOTION: The BOG requests that committee members, Governors and Directors from each of the MOs that attend the conference for meetings only be granted exhibit hall passes.

BACKGROUND: Committee members, governors and directors from all the MOs often come to the conference just for meetings and do not have time to attend the seminars. They may

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only have time to spend an hour or two in the exhibit hall, and do not want to pay to see the exhibits. These people are giving their time and should be granted exhibit hall passes. Approval for these passes will have to be through BOD and the conference committee for approval of all the organizations at each conference.

This motion was approved by and brought forward from the Trig Star committee.

2:47 p.m.

9.5 Electronic voting by Debra Anderson, Second by Warren Ward

MOTION: We believe electronic voting will increase participation and charge a task committee to review and bring forth a useful motion.

BACKGROUND: There should be a cost savings, greater efficiency, the benefit of attractive technology, and encouragement for greater participation in elections.

1:48pm

Chairman Smith: Time for a short break before we break out into task committees. The motions will be put on thumb drives - any amendments will need to be edited by the committee and returned to the secretary.

Recess

2:01 p.m.

Reconvene

10.0 Break out into task committees as follows:

Chairman Smith: Makers of motions are expected to attend the committee that is considering his motion. It is very useful if someone on the task committee has a laptop to use. We have copied the motions each on to a separate flash drive. Please perform any edits and store on the flash drive and return it to the secretary.

Here are the committee task assignments:

Task Committee 1 = Motion 9.6 Electronic Voting
Task Committee 2 = Motion 9.4 Membership Proposal
Task Committee 3 = Motion 9.5 Exhibit Hall Pass
Task Committee 4 = Motion 9.1 Disaster Manual

We will allow one hour for consideration

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It is almost ten after 2 o'clock let's reconvene at 3:10 p.m.

Breakout to committees

3:10 p.m.

Re-convene

3:11 p.m.

7.5 NSPS Insurance Program – Curt Sumner

On insurance Program, what we are trying to do with that is to find a way to make the insurance program stronger and make it open at whatever level is the proper level in all states. We recognize that lots of states have insurance programs that cover certain things some have insurance program that cover pretty much everything. So what we want to do is to find a way to cooperate with the state in whatever way is appropriate. That may be in some states a full NSPS program is the right things and other states it might means parts of the program is the right thing. The whole idea is to collective through our state societies and NSPS to find a way to provide the broadest possible coverage to surveyors across the country.

One of my goals when I first took the job 10 years ago (gosh that sounds like a long time) was to find a way to have a national health insurance program for surveyors and I had great and wonderful aspiration of making that happened program but there are these little things called laws and regulations that get in the way of that.

One of the things we've continually looked at in congress is this whole idea of insurance programs and whether they can be association affiliated or not. There are some out there but they came into being before current policies and regulations were in place. We'd still like to do that because it is one things that if we could do it on a national scale it would certainly be beneficial to everybody. Nevertheless, we still there are element of the NSPS insurance program that could be applicable everywhere. But we do not want to do it in a way that comes in conflict with what the states are doing.

So we want to have a dialog with all the state societies to learn what the states are offering, what they are not offering, what we might have at the NSPS program that could benefit surveyors in every state, that compliments what the states are doing.

That's the short version of that issue.

7.6 ACSM Executive Director – Curt Sumner

With regard to the other thing I want to chat with you about today, anyone in the room from Pennsylvania, Ohio or Alabama may now leave. The reason for that is that what I am about to say is pretty much the same as what I said to those three states groups when I met with them over the last month or so.

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The reason this came up to me was sometime last fall I received a call from a fellow surveyor who question to me was, "Why is it nobody ever asks, 'who surveyed that?'" We hear who did the engineering design and who was the architect, who was the contractor, but we never anybody ask about who surveyed it. I have been thinking about it a while and I've tried to come to grips with what this actually means. Why is that the case?

If you think about it, engineers are recognized as being the ones who designed a road or a bridge or a park or whatever; Architects for buildings and structures, or what have you. Often times people didn't know who the contractor was, but nobody knows who the surveyor was. I find that to be intriguing because you take the professional who provided all the data, by and large, on which a design occurs and from which construction occurs yet that person remains anonymous.

Often times that anonymous professional is tasked with correcting, if you will, the work of these other professionals. You can go from an approvable but non-buildable plan to something that can actually be constructed. You take the cartoon you get from AutoCAD these days and turn it into something that can be built. You take the architectural plan on which no dimensions actually work and turn it into something that can be built. Yet nobody knows who you are. Nobody ever asks "who was the surveyor, that buffer-person who's been there throughout the development of our country; the backbone of our society?"

Why do you think that is? What causes that to happen? I kept asking myself those questions. What do they know that we don't know? What do they do that we don't do? There has to be a reason. It's not by happenstance, I don't think. Certainly we all think we all think we have these heroes of our profession that are up on Mount Rushmore and we worship at that alter ... our three surveyors and another guy kind of thing. They are not up there because they are surveyors. They happen to be surveyors and we love them for that. They are not up there because they are surveyors they are there because they were leaders on a large scale.

We each of us in this room in our communities are leaders of a sort and we carry out our practice and have influence over a small sphere of people. But, it's usually not because we are surveyors but because we are good people; because we are good business-people we are good service-providers. If someone asked our clients if they revered us because we are surveyors they would probably say "No." Why is that? Why is it that when students are asked, "What are their aspirations for a career?" we rarely hear them say Surveyor? Why is it we hear on the radio that the architect rode in on the white horse and saved the day ... or the engineer?

We could say to ourselves that we don't get the recognition we deserve because not everybody in our profession acts the way they should act. That's true, but it's also true that our fellow professionals have their warts too. They have bad practitioners. Lawyers are always talked about in bad terms. Doctors get sued a

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lot more than do we. People have attitudes about architects from time to time and certainly engineers. Contractors are something accused of being unscrupulous. Despite all of that, they still have a sphere of influence on legislation, policy and perception of the general public about their worth for who they are. What are they doing that we are not? What are they doing that we aren't?

I've really thought about this a lot and the only thing I've come up with is that they as a collective group of people have recognized the fact that there is value in unity. There is value in unity of purpose, collective effort and they set themselves up to do that. Some even have a mandate that state and local membership also requires national membership, but not all of them. Still they're successful in getting out their message. The reason they are successful in getting out their message is they do understand the concept of unified effort. So I would suggest to you, as I have those other groups, that we as a group of profession to achieve the respect and attain the respect that we want to have some day somewhere maybe after we are dead and gone, we have to recognize the fact that until we build that unity of purpose in a solid message that we all carry forward together and contribute to together that's not going to happen for us. And it's really not that hard to do. We have resources and there are a lot of things going on out there at a state level and local level and regional level that have some impact. Buts it's not ever going to have that broad impact we want it to have over a broader area nationwide worldwide whatever for our profession as United States Licensed Professional Surveyors

One thing I've learned working in F.I.G. over the last few years is that Surveyors pretty much everywhere in the world have a higher standing that we do because they work at it and are not complacent. They believe that there is worth in unity. I hope we would as a group of people would think about this and try figure out a way that we would develop a unity in our purpose and in our message so that when we're looking at young people to find careers and looking at their parents to drive them in the direction of careers the worth of who we are is well known to the public.

I don't know about you but I am pretty damn proud to be a surveyor. I hold that in high esteem. Many of you have heard me say before that being the kind of guy that I am and not suited to be a minister like my dad, surveying is the closest I'll ever being able to help people because the principles on which I operate aren't any different than the ones my dad had as a minister. I think you are all like that. That's the kind of people we are. But we have to step outside of our individual shells and realize that unless we find that unity of purpose and share resources to get somewhere it just isn't going to happen. It's just not. So I'd like you to think about it. I'd like you to think about it here. I'd like you to think about it at home and see if you can't find a way to make it happen.

Now, you're saying to yourselves, "Curt just wants everybody to be a member of NSPS."
Well sure he does but that isn't going to happen. It's not. Not everyone is going

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to be a member. That doesn't mean we can't work together to achieve something. We can still do that and we should. So I don't know how much more you have to do at this meeting today or how much longer you're going to be here but I would like you to think about this today, tomorrow, the next day when you get home share it with other people. Talk to other people in your state societies say "Let's have a serious discussion about this" I'm not talking about something that Curt Sumner dreamed up or somebody at ACSM or NSPS dreamed up. I'm talking about finding a way for all this group of people to find a direction to follow. That's what I'm talking about.

All of you know me well enough to know that if you're waiting for me to come up with an answer you will have a long wait. That isn't going to happen. What I'd like to be able to have is some influence on your thoughts to get you to think about it and to get you to help make it happen.

So, my apologies to my friends in Alabama Ohio and Pennsylvania. You've heard this once already and as many of you have heard me say before the thing my momma told me that was the best thing I could ever say to make people happy is was to tell them I'm going to shut up from talking so that is what I am going to do. So enjoy your meeting. Obviously I am always around. You can reach me by cell phone e-mail; whatever. I want to talk to you about this and for you to talk to each other about it and talk to folks back home about it.

Have a good meeting. Thanks.

Chairman Smith: He still preaches better than anybody I know.

Let's get back to the Task Committee Reports

3:24 p.m.

13.0 Reports and Recommendations from Task Committees/Act on Motions

13.1 Task Committee 1– Debra Anderson (Montana)

9.6 Governor Anderson reads motion and committee recommendation.

***MOTION:** The Board of Governors request the Board of Directors initiate a study into the feasibility of electronic voting and report the progress of this study at our Fall 2009 meeting. Request the Chairman of the Board of Governors form an Ad Hoc Committee to develop a Position Statement on machine control and machine guidance.*

***BACKGROUND:** There should be a cost savings, greater efficiency, the benefit of attractive technology, and encouragement for greater participation in elections.*

Committee recommends approval.

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Passed by voice without objection

13.2 Task Committee 2- Chuck Paddock (Arizona)

9.4 Governor Paddock reads motion and committee recommendation.

We were charged to study the NSPS membership proposal. We amended it to read Board of Governors requests the Board of Directors support the membership proposal.

It now encourages a process to include feedback from affiliates

MOTION: The Board of Governors request that the Board of Directors support the membership proposal as attached. (see below next)

NSPS Membership Proposal

Introduction

By some estimates about 10% of all licensed land surveyors in the U.S. are NSPS members. That is a low number for our only national advocate. For several years the NSPS Membership Development Committee has worked hard to increase membership, but the results have been very limited. Likewise a discount program for dues, sometimes referred to as the "sliding scale", has resulted in very limited success. It is time to start a fresh dialogue on developing renewed interest in NSPS activities and membership.

NSPS membership could significantly increase through a closer partnership with each state surveyor association. This increase could have many positive benefits. 1.) The credibility of representing a much greater percentage of land surveyors. 2.) Increase interest in national activities that are important to our profession. 3.) Increase interest in annual conferences. 4.) Ability to adjust membership dues.

Most issues that directly impact land surveyors are handled on a state level, but some important issues can only be handled with a unified national voice. Working closer together NSPS and state associations could benefit each other in numerous ways with the direct involvement of many more members. It is time to start considering new models for representing our members and the profession.

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Possible NSPS Membership Categories

Basic Membership: All land surveyor members of state surveyor organizations would become "NSPS – Basic Member." Fee: Small fee addition collected by state association for transfer to NSPS.

Benefits: Member of national society; ACSM Conference Discount; Website access to NSPS periodicals.

Full Membership: All land surveyor members of state surveyor organizations could select optional "NSPS – Full Member." Fee: Amount determined by NSPS Board of Directors based on operational needs in conjunction with state surveyor association partnerships. Benefits: Member of national society; Voting Rights; Right to hold office; ACSM Conference Discount; Insurance Discount Rights; Printed NSPS periodicals.

Other Memberships: To be determined.

Implementation

Creating a better NSPS partnership with state surveyor associations must start with a two way dialogue between the respective organizations. A proposal initially supported by the Board of Governors and Board of Directors would then be presented to the Board of Directors of each state surveyor organization for consideration and feedback. A single proposal would then be refined to meet the best overall needs of each organization.

The goal is to strengthen our profession through the work of our organizations at the state and national level.

Respectfully Submitted for Consideration By: NSPS Membership Development Committee

BACKGROUND: In compliance with a motion approved by the Board of Governors at their Fall 2008 meeting to study the NSPS membership categories, the NSPS Membership Development Committee is requesting that the membership

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proposal (as attached) be supported by the Board of Governors. If this motion is approved, the committee will prepare a uniform message (by the Fall 2009 meeting) to seek feedback, support and endorsement by the affiliates of NSPS. The committee believes that this process is important and the goal is to strengthen NSPS and its affiliates through closer partnerships.

John Freemyer: It's been brought to my attention that there is a minor grammar correction in the background. (Corrected version shown above).

Committee recommends approval as amended with compliance of the mover.

Passed by voice without objection

13.3 Task Committee 3 – George Strother (Alaska)

9.5 Governor Strother: We amended motion to consider who granted passes

MOTION: The BOG requests that the BOD direct the appropriate entity to annually consider that committee members, Governors and Directors from each of the MOs that attend the conference for meetings only be granted exhibit hall passes.

BACKGROUND: Committee members, governors and directors from all the MOs often come to the conference just for meetings and do not have time to attend the seminars. They may only have time to spend an hour or two in the exhibit hall, and do not want to pay to see the exhibits. These people are giving their time and should be granted exhibit hall passes. Approval for these passes will have to be through BOD and the conference committee for approval of all the organizations at each conference.

This motion was approved by and brought forward from the Trig Star committee.

Committee recommends approval as amended with compliance of the mover.

Passed by voice without objection

13.4 Task Committee 4 – Alan Dragoo (Maryland)

9.1 Governor Dragoo: We amended the name to Crisis Management Manual. We envision this to be a living document that could grow with experience. Governor Douty related information things that happened in his company that would have been helpful if such a manual existed when an employee died. It would cover many different things

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from hardware failures to accounting problems to recovering documents that have been flooded i.e. a frost free freezer is superior to a hair dryer.

MOTION: The Board of Governors (BOG) of the NSPS request that the Board of Directors of the NSPS establish the necessary committee to develop and publish a NSPS Crises Management Manual.

The Crises Management Manual Committee shall be charged with reporting to the Board of Governors and Board of Directors committee goals and plans along with funding suggestions at the fall, 2009 meeting.

BACKGROUND: The members of our organization are continually experiencing the ill effects of health hazards, crises and disasters. In an effort to meet the needs of its members created by to these crises the NSPS Foundation has established a Natural Disaster Fund and the NSPS Board of Directors has established a Surveyors Health Hazard Committee.

A short list of disasters and crises that our members are exposed to include but are not limited to: flood and water damage, adverse weather at all extremes, health hazards, death and dismemberment, fire and financial disasters. The Board of Governors feels that the creation and distribution of a manual that would provide guidelines for the minimizing of the impact of these events, and the recovery from these events would be a positive member service.

The Board of Governors further feels that there is a large body of knowledge within its membership and its commercial affiliates that could, and should, be compiled for the benefit of the membership.

Committee recommends approval as amended with compliance of the mover.
Passed by voice without objection

3:32 p.m.

14.0 Elections/Presentations

Chairman Smith: Gerry Goodson will pass out ballots for key governor

14.1 Governor Service Awards

14.1.1 5 years

Michael E. Filipski (Illinois)

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Michael H. Maxwell (Florida)
John E. Freemyer (Minnesota)
David L. Schmitz (Nebraska)
Nelson B. Douglass (West Virginia)
Thomas D. Drury (Rhode Island)

14.1.2 10 Years

n/a

14.1.3 15 Years

n/a

3:35

Wayne Hebert and Wayne Harrison will pass out envelopes for foundation contributions. Please be sure to follow the instructions on the screen to properly endorse checks.

14.2 Key Governor Presentation

Fall 2008, Arlington, VA – R. William “Bill” Glassey

Governor Glassey: It's pretty brave to give me an open mic. This is a wonderful honor and for the last six months I have been basking in it. I think you all for honoring me in this fashion.

Some several meetings ago I remember Curt mentioned when one comes to the Board of Governors he finds they are first surveyors and I find that they are the finest people in the world and this is a great time when we come together from different parts of the country and get to know one another to deal with the issues that affect us separately and deal with them together.

Thank you very much!

3:38 p.m.

15. Good of the Order

Chairman Smith: As our tellers are busy tabulating in the back. Please notice on the screen that our contribution is for the Governors' Scholarship Fund in the Spring. In the Fall we contribute to the TrigStar Scholarship Fund donation. As always the minimum suggested is \$40.00. Please feel free to expand on that. It will be appreciated. After this I will have the pleasure of presenting the Governors' scholarship award for \$2,000 to a student at the awards banquet. The money goes to great causes.

The endorsement is critical because the banks will return a check that isn't endorsed properly.

Please be reminded that the CD from John Matonich for the Leadership Manual is on the table to the left of the dais.

3:40 p.m.

14.3 Key Governor Election

Steve Douty is key governor for this meeting

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3:41 p.m.

Governor Tolbert : If you are preparing a booth at a conference and have a choice where to put it try to put it in the middle rather than the entrance so they won't walk by you to see the rest of the exhibition

Chairman Smith: It's been a pleasure to work with you in the meeting. Thank you for your work and participation

16.0 Adjourn 3:42 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
J. Anthony Cavell, CFedS
Secretary NSPS Board of Governors