1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by President Jon Warren at 9:00 am.

   - President Warren opened the meeting with greeting to all.
   - Review of the agenda added / revised the following:
     o Addition of Item 9.18 – Election of two (2) additional Directors to ExCom
     o Item 14 under Section 7 - Public Relations Report (Lisa Van Horn – WI) and renumbering of reports No. 15 through 20
     o Past President Bob Dahn noted that under Item 9.4 that both himself and Andy Sturgeon will need to be renamed or replaced on the NSPS Foundation Board as 9.4.3 & 9.4.4
     o With the elimination of the Board of Governors at the preceding Membership meeting, we will pause the Director’s meeting in order to recognize and formally close the past operations of the Board of Governor’s Meeting.
     o Task Committees were omitted in error but we will move forward without them and reintroduce them in the future for larger or controversial items.
   - Operating rules will follow Robert’s Rule of Order as normal.
   - Use microphones for addressing the group and state your name and who you are representing
   - Reminder of the cell phone policy and contribution of $100 to the Director’s Scholarship for those who break it

2. **Roll Call** - Roll call was taken by Secretary Timothy Burch with a majority of the Board present and a quorum was declared.

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Secretary Burch offered to President Warren the confirmation of a quorum.

3. **Special Orders and Guests (Agenda Item #6)**
   - Maryland Board of Registration Member Tom Orisich
   - WSLS President Elect Emily Pierce
   - WSLS Executive Director Frank Thousand
   - WSLS Treasurer John Matonich
   - FSMS President Bill Rowe
   - NCSS Executive Director Christy Davis
   - HLSA President Clayton Kaneshiro
   - NMPS Board of Registration Member Glen Thurow
   - NSPS Young Surveyor Chair Amanda Askren
   - MAPLS President Curt Akins
   - MARLS Executive Director Kay McDonald
   - LSAW President Mike McEvilly
   - NASC President Ron Whitehead
   - Rick Brooks (Guest of NY Director Patty Brooks)
   - NY Governor Malcolm Shaw
   - AAGS President Ronnie Taylor
   - CIAPR (Puerto Rico) Member Ronan Lopez
   - BLM CFed Program Manager Dona Rogers
   - PLSC Executive Director Becky Roland
   - NSPS Past President John Thalacker
NSPS Board of Director’s meeting to recess and allow Board of Governors to close operations @ 9:23am

**Board of Governors - Call to Order**- The meeting was called to order by Board of Governor’s Chair Mark Sargent at 9:25 am.

- Chairman Sargent began the session with personal thanks and words of pleasure for working with this fine group and wanted to complete housekeeping items from our last meeting:
  - Approval of the meeting minutes from Fall, 2014 business meeting, motion by Gregory (IN), second by Burn (NV), passed by voice vote.
  - The Key Governor of the meeting was Lisa Van Horn.
  - Service Award of 10 Years to Bob Miller (PA)
- Comments from Chairman Sargent:
  - BOG began in 1981, chaired by Biggs and Tapley served as Secretary.
  - All past Board Chairs were asked to come forward for a photo
- Chairman Sargent closed the meeting @ 9:30 am.

**Board of Director’s Meeting** – Reconvened at 9:25 am by President Warren.

- President Warren asked that all Area Directors please come forward for a photo as this is the last meeting for those positions.

4. **Report of ExCOM Actions / Approval of Consent Agenda (Agenda Item #3)**

   Approval of minutes from the Fall 2014 meeting, motion by Director Sargent (NH), second by Director Allred (NM), and passed on a voice vote.

   Approval of the consent agenda as presented, motion by Berkland (ND), seconded by Director Burn (NV), and passed on a voice vote.

5. **Adoption of the Order of Business (Agenda Item #4)**

   - Addition of Item 9.18 – Election of two (2) additional Directors to ExCom
   - Item 14 under Section 7 - Public Relations Report (Lisa Van Horn – WI) and renumbering of reports No. 15 through 20
   - Past President Bob Dahn noted that under Item 9.4 that both himself and Andy Sturgeon will need to be renamed or replaced on the NSPS Foundation Board as 9.4.3 & 9.4.4

6. **Guests (See Item #3)**

7. **Reports**
a. NSPS President Jon Warren
President Warren asked that the Directors and members of NSPS nationwide do everything in their power to promote our profession and membership into our state and national associations. He stated a list of talking points will be created in order to help each member know and described what this organization is for and how we help the surveyor and protect the public. Coordination and better organization of the standing committees is also one of his foremost goals during his presidency.

b. NSPS Executive Director Curt Sumner
Curt offered the following items for his report:
- A large amount of gratitude to Past Secretary/Treasurer John Fenn and the outstanding job he did for many years in that position.
- The success of the student competition and our potential to increase participation.
- The introduction of electronic voting and getting more organizational information to all members regarding the slate of candidates in order to make a more informed decision on voting choices.
- ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey Standards – upcoming name change to replace ACSM with NSPS.
- Ongoing meetings with ACSE to determine partnering opportunities.
- Contract with GeoLearn to provide media and educational content.
- Fall 2015 NSPS Business Meetings will be held on October 8-10 at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, OH.
- The CST program continues to grow and the military would like to implement it for surveying training/certification. The current chair, Art Hayes, will be retiring and will need to be replaced.
- The Jefferson Club was established for continual contributions to the NSPS PAC.
- Henry Dingle was introduced and photographed as the Governor from South Carolina.

c. NSPS Treasurer Bob Miller
Treasurer Miller began by thanking John Fenn for all of his hard work and help with the transition. He is also working with Bob Jupin on all activities of the position and will provide as much information as he can in a timely manner. Rick Howard (CT) asked that the Board be provided a summary of the financials by the end of meeting.

d. NSPS State Executives Forum Representative Melinda Gilpin
Melinda provided the following notes from their meeting earlier in the week:
- A total of 16 states were represented at the meeting.
- Prime focus this year is working state staffs to increase communication in order to add membership numbers.
• West Virginia Executive Director Julie Hewitt was elected to a two year term replacing Alabama Executive Director Jennifer Sellers
• The Ohio Society is hosting the Fall meetings at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky. Rooms will be approximately $124/night.

e. NSPS Government Affairs Chairman John Matonich
Chairman Matonich noted that a brief meeting was held earlier in the week and that a comprehensive report is available. 3DEP and Digital Coastal Act was the center of many discussions on Capitol Hill as Lobby Day was very successful with good participation and met with lots of legislators. NSPS also drafted a letter to the US Department of Labor giving them an opportunity to rescind their ruling on prevailing wages for surveyors but has yet to respond. The Federal Prison Industries Act, the FLAIR Act and the Pipeline Utility Act are also hot topics to stay in front of with our legislators. COFPAES is changing in structure as members fall off but NSPS still finds value in membership and will remain

NSPS Lobbyist John “JB” Byrd added that the Digital Coast Act quoted Curt Sumner comments within the language for the bill. JB also noted that our presence on the Hill was impressive and NSPS is becoming a serious player as the national representative for surveyor.

Chairman Matonich announced he will be stepping down as Chairman after 21 years and thanked the organization for allowing him to serve.

Lisa Van Horn (WI) asked about the $300 registration fee for the conference and Lobby Day activities. Chairman Matonich responded with noting that putting all of this together with MAPPS comes at a cost and will be reviewed for next year’s conference.

Past President Smith added that the registration fee allowed for NSPS and MAPPS to effectively plan and develop strategies for legislative meetings, organized handouts, and host breakfast with several legislators. We will continue to review the costs and provide more information for future lobby day opportunities.

f. NSPS Membership Chairman Wayne Harrison
Chairman Harrison stated that the membership meeting held earlier in the week, while lightly attended, was very productive and he will continue to seek out input for the committee to address. He also added that all of us are responsible for membership and continued growth starts at the state level. He also noted that the Strategic Plan passed last year is still waiting for implementation and a sub-committee has been established to prioritize items within the Plan. By Fall, 2015, the list of priorities will be brought forward for start getting things done. The committee established a CST sub-committee to increase membership with the states and Randy Rambeau (NC) has agreed to chair. Chairman Harrison is also
looking for volunteers to work with Curt and Trish on sustaining membership and member benefits and how we can increase value for our members.

g. **NSPS Student Competition Chairman Vannozi (also Agenda Item f)**
Chairman Vannozi reported that seven teams registered to compete in two categories for the student competition. The topic this year was an error study of topographic surveys using two different methods. The two year program winner was Central New Mexico Community College with the four year program winner being University of Puerto Rico.

h. **NSPS Education Chairman Vannozi (Agenda Item 8)**
Chairman Vannozzi reported that online education will be reviewed and see how NSPS can assist with development of more programs. Also being reviewed is a database of non-ABET accredited programs and looking for help to make sure all available programs are being recognized. The committee is also looking to develop a continuing education clearinghouse.

Recessed at 10:30 am by President Warren.
Reconvened at 10:48 am by President Warren.

i. **NSPS Foundation Chairman Dolan (Agenda Item 9)**
Chairman Dolan noted that Past Chairman John Swan has resigned and Wayne Harrison will be his replacement. President Warren is stepping down during his term as NSPS President and will be replaced by Rick Howard (CT). Current Foundation members Andy Sturgeon and Bob Dahn are being re-appointed for three year terms. He also asked for those who are not members should join immediately and named several funds that could use the most support.

Foundation Trustee Bob Miller described the current raffle drawing fundraiser as your choice of three different cruises: Alaskan coast, Mediterranean or Rhine River. The value of the Summer 2016 trip will be $8,000 and be limited to 300 tickets. Please contact Bob with any questions or requests.

j. **Professional Surveyors Canada – Pat Beehler (Agenda Item 10)**
Mr. Beehler reported he attended the PSC meeting in Winnipeg last fall and they in still in a reorganization phase. The next meeting will be back in Winnipeg in May, 2015.

k. **NSPS Treasurer Bob Miller (Agenda Item 3 followup)**
Treasurer Miller reported the following:
First Quarter Income = $397,443.45, 2015 Projection = $920,513.00 (43%)

First Quarter Expenses = $229,095.04, 2015 Projection = $857,286.00 (27%)

YTD = $105,121.41

Notes by: NSPS Secretary Timothy W. Burch
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1. **NSPS Young Surveyor Chair Askren (Agenda Item 11)**
   Highlights from her Powerpoint:
   
   - National Webinar October 28th: 50 attendees
   - 25 States with designated Representative
   - Communication among the Representatives
   - Presentations at State Meetings
   - Minnesota, Wisconsin, Washington, Oregon and New Mexico
   - 2nd Webinar scheduled for Wednesday May 13th at 11 am Eastern
     - Discuss Young Surveyors at the State Level
   - 2nd Young Surveyors Meeting scheduled for Thursday October 8th in Ohio
     - Full day of presentations and meetings
     - Able to attend the NSPS Fall meeting with State Directors
   - Continue Young Surveyor Network Awareness
   - Leica Conference – June 2015
   - GeoLearn
   - Social Media sites

m. **National Association of County Surveyors (Agenda Item 12)**
   Ron Whitehead reported that the Association is trying to reach more counties and establish this position and to work with NSPS to revisit the County Surveyor Forum previously held during the Spring and Fall Business meetings.

n. **Promotion of Conference and Profession - GeoLearn (Agenda Item 13)**
   Joe Paiva presented a short video and Powerpoint to

o. **NSPS Public Relations Committee – Lisa Van horn (Agenda Item 14)**
   Lisa provided an update of current items and priorities of the newly formed committee. Among those items are the following:
   
   - NSPS currently has 36 committees but very few reports/updates and 5 have no chair assignment. We need to evaluate each of these groups to decide if they are still relevant or remove them. If they are still needed, the assigned chair must have help to keep the assignment moving forward.
   - All existing NSPS Governor’s materials should be updated and distributed
   - Creation of handout materials and display items for booths at state meetings
   - Creation of public relations website in order to keep track of travels and message
   - Creation of a speaker’s bureau to get ideas and names for topics and speakers
   - Assist with committee status reports and leads
   - Potentially host a new Directors breakfast/dinner to help with acclimation
   - Assist Young Surveyor’s network
She also requested that NSPS looks to hire additional part time help or increase existing employees in order to assist with completing these and other Association functions.

p. NCEES – Tom Morrison (Agenda Item 16)
Tom provided an update of current happenings at NCEES. Those items include:
- Electronic testing for PLS by Fall, 2016
- Updated speaker’s kit is available on website
- The current NCEES president is PLS and will review engineering surveys further.

q. Surveyor’s Historical Society – Rich Leu (Agenda Item 20)
Rich reminded the group that the Fall Surveyor’s Rendezvous is in Bellingham, Washington on September 9-13 at the Silver Reef Casino.

Recessed for lunch at 11:58 am by President Warren.
Reconvened at 1:20 pm by President Warren.

r. Public Land Survey System Foundation – Larry Graham (Agenda Item 21)
While many in the room was not aware of this group, Larry explained the creation and purpose it fills. (A copy of his report is attached to these minutes.)

Report of ExCOM Actions / Approval of Consent Agenda (Agenda Item #3)

Motion to Reopen the Consent Agenda – motion made by Director Boyer (TN), second by Director Dragoo (MD)

Adding the following two items:
- Approval of expenditure authorized by ExCom for $5,000 for promotion of the Spring Conference through Geolearn
- Acceptance of NSPS to the reorganization of COFPAES and our continued support of same.

Motion by Director Graham (KS), second by Director Allred (NM), and passed on a voice vote with one nay by Director Van Horn (WI). Lisa asked that there be discussion at the motion was approved too quickly. President Warren explained that discussion was not in order at this time but would allow it if the group so moved. Motion made by Director Boyer (TN), second by Director Vannozzi (MA) to reconsider the previous action on the vote, and passed on a voice vote. Lisa stated that she felt it would be appropriate for ExCom to discuss spending $5,000 instead of stating it after the fact. Director Allred (NM) reminded the group that ExCom is given the authority by this group at the end of each meeting to act appropriately as needed. Amanda also stated she felt Joe Paiva and GeoLearn has done an excellent job of promoting us and feels it is well worth the $5,000 investment.
Director Boyer (TN) asked to call for the question but was noted he did not have the floor.

Director Howard (CT) stated he felt that ExCom should be given a limit of expenditure without Board approval or discussion.

Director Martinez (NE) asked for clarification if minutes of the ExCom meetings are available. President Warren stated that minutes should be kept but probably were not and he was not in the position to record them.

Director Boyer (TN) asked to call for the question, second by Director Coan (WA), passed by voice vote.

Approval of the consent agenda as presented, passed on a voice vote.

8. Unfinished Business
   8.1. NCEES Model Law – Curt Sumner
       Ongoing discussions with NCEES regarding updating the Model Law. Curt was asked to participate (but not join) the “Future of Surveying” task force as they review licensing requirements and educational levels.
   8.2. Geodetic Certification Program – Dave Doyle
       AAGS did circulate an outline for the program and remains outstanding. More information is to come by the October meeting. Director Coan (WA) inquired to getting a copy of the outline as they were not provided with the minutes.
   8.3. NGS Collaboration – Dave Doyle
       This effort continues with NGS and was expanded on the NGS efforts as seen at this Conference with their presentations.
   8.4. NSPS ALTA Certification Program – Gary Kent
       Director Berkland (SD) reported that an outline is being created to determine whether the program is a viable opportunity.
   8.5. State Affiliate President Symposium – Jon Warren
       President Warren had previously asked for opinions of holding this session for state presidents and received no responses. Please send your response to Trish for housekeeping. Director Kules (VT) asked that we put this item on the next agenda in order for us to make sure we revisit it. Director Van Horn (WI) agreed that the Spring Conference is a good opportunity for state presidents to participate with Lobby Day. Director Allred (NM) asked to clarify that the each state would be responsible for travel arrangements for their president and not NSPS.
       Please send comments to Trish regarding your experience at this conference.
   8.7. Motion – CST/NSPS Memberships
       June renewal for CST and will continue to develop plan for joint membership.
8.8. **Motion – Public Relations Material on Website**
   This item will be included on the redesigned website that will be released in the summer.

8.9. **Motion – Public Relations Award – Lisa Van Horn**
   Lisa asked that the committee make a decision on what the award will be and have it in place for the Spring 2016 meeting.

8.10. **Conflict of Interest Policy – Curt Sumner**
   The policy needs to be signed / acknowledged by all directors, especially the new ones.

8.11. **Sustaining Membership – Curt Sumner**
   Curt is currently working on specification for this classification and will report more at the Fall meeting.

8.12. **Motion – NSPS Education Policy – Curt Sumner**
   The current policy is being reviewed and will be reported on at the Fall meeting.

   Director Vannozzi (MA) explained that an MOU is being considered with SaLIS in order to create an NSPS journal that will share articles and ideas while not getting NSPS back into the SaLIS arena. There is currently not enough articles/information to distribute two journals of any media type and that a way to co-exist is desired. More ideas will be explored and reported on by the Fall meeting.

   Meeting summaries to follow as previously introduced with the Fall 2014 meeting.

8.15. **Motion – Strategic Plan – Wayne Harrison**
   Wayne reported that the approved plan has been tasked to a subcommittee for implementation. The plan to move forward will be introduced at the Fall 2015 meeting.

8.16. **Motion- NSPS 2022 Datum Model Law – Dragoo/Doyle**
   Director Doyle (AAGS) spoke of updating state statutes for horizontal and introducing vertical datums to rules as well. Our help will be vital in seeing that this information gets introduced into legislation in each state. He also challenged the young surveyors to get involved with this committee and extend the knowledge of surveying into future generations. More states are also going to expected to help educate its surveyors on the proposed Model Law as well.

8.17. **Motion – Use of Robert’s Rules of Order – Tony Cavell**
   We are currently operating under these rules as normal operation.

8.18. **Director at-Large – Wayne Harrison**
   This will be handled under new business.

**Executive Director follow-up – Curt Sumner**
- New Website – early summer unveiling
- Jefferson Club – new twist on opportunity to provide funding for the PAC
9. New Business

9.13. At-Large Director Nominations
Chairman Harrison brought forward the following motion:

“Bylaw Change – Article VIII Nominations & Elections, Section 2 – Nominations”

Motion – Move that the second and third sentences of Section 2 of Article VIII of the NSPS Bylaws be changed to read as follows:

“Nominees for an At-Large Director’s position to be contested shall be selected from the recommendations by Affiliated Institutions or the Voting Members of NSPS. If no nominations are received by the time of the NSPS Fall Meeting, the Nomination Committee shall then select sufficient nominees from the NSPS Voting Members.”

Background – There are many NSPS Voting Members across the country that are not members of any Affiliated Institutions or State Society. This would open up the nominations to any Voting Member of NSPS.

Chairman Harrison added that we estimate that there are up to 400 members nationwide without representation and this change will allow for this. This Director will participate in the Board of Director’s meetings in the Spring and Fall.

The motion was seconded by Bob Dahn. Past President Smith noted that this motion cannot move forward simply by the Membership committee and that it must by brought by and seconded by members of the Board. Director Vannozzi (MA) makes this motion with second by Director Coan (WA).

Past President Beehler asked for clarification to Bylaws changed. It was confirmed that the Board of Directors merely approves the motion moving forward for a vote by the General Membership at the Fall Meeting.

Director Akin (OH) asked for clarification on funding the position. It was confirmed that funds for travel and lodging will come from the NSPS General Budget in accordance with standard operating procedures for Board Members.

Director Coan (WA) asked that the motion be re-read for clarification.

Director Berkland (SD) asked who can be elected to this position. It was confirmed that any voting member can be elected to the position.

Director Burch (IL) asked how much is the typical expense for Director position. The typical cost budgeted is $3,000.00 per year.

Motion passed on a voice vote.
9.14. **At-Large Director Election**  
Director Burn (NV) makes this motion with second by Director Leu (IA).

Chairman Harrison brought forward the following motion:

“Bylaw Change – Article VIII Nominations & Elections, Section 5 – Elections”

Motion – Move that the fourth sentence of Section 5 of Article VIII of the NSPS Bylaws be changed to read as follows:

“An At-Large Director shall be elected by votes cast by the NSPS Voting Members”

Background – The change will clarify who will cast votes for the position of At-Large Director.

Motion passed on a voice vote.

9.1. **COFPAES Re-Organization Proposal**  
Chairman Matonich spoke regarding the Jefferson Club and how this will help support the PAC in continuing our efforts on Capitol Hill. He also added COFPAES is reorganizing due to participant groups leaving the partnership. Our annual dues to COFPAES will reduce from $8K to $5K in order for the group to continue but will stay intact as the voice for the Brooks Act.

Director Boyer (TN) made a motion to continue with membership to COFPAES with second by Director Graham (KS). Past President Smith added that COFPAES will reduce a few functions (webinars, monitoring of legislative issues) but will continue to be there for NSPS.

Motion passed on a voice vote.

9.2. **Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)**  
John Matonich asked that this group support the use of UAS vehicles and future technologies. Similar groups to ours have established a position in favor of their use and we need to stay in front as well.

Director Askren (NM) makes this motion with second by Director Berkland (SD). Motion passed on a voice vote.

Recessed at 2:50 pm by President Warren.  
Reconvened at 3:10 pm by President Warren.
9.3. Hydrographic Certification Board
President Warren reported the following appointments:
Ray Williams – reappointed
Richard Brennan – reappointed
Grant Froelich – appointed
Paul Donaldson - appointed

9.4. NSPS Foundation
President Warren reported the following appointments:
Wayne Harrison – replacing John Swan
Rick Howard – replacing Jon Warren
Bob Dahn - reappointed
Andy Sturgeon - reappointed

9.5. Promotion of Conference and Profession
While anticipating a proposal for this group to consider, it will continue to progress and be presented in the Fall. President Warren will continue to review options for marketing and promotion.

Director Brooks (NY) noted that our adopted Strategic Plan from 2013 specifically removed hosting a national conference yet the President’s agenda strongly supports moving forward with such an item. She asked for clarity and direction on this item. President Warren stated he will work with the Strategic Plan subcommittee to clarify and resolve any potential conflicts in the near future.

Director Van Horn (WI) added that we should review our current promotional material and see if anything is suitable for further use.

President Warren asked for any opposition of hosting the annual conference in 2016. Director Akin (OH) stated his opposition and that having meetings/conferences with this length cost the attendees money in lost business.

Past Governor Shaw (NY) reminded the group that we should learn from this week’s experience and grow from it.

Director Allred (NM) added that she had good experiences all week.
9.6. **Alternative Media for Committee Meetings**
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Alternative Media for Committee Meetings”

Motion – That NSPS staff either provide, or find someone to provide, training to setup webinars or similar alternatives for all committee chairs to use for committee meetings.

This motion seconded by Director Blumentritt (MN).

Director Howard (CT) inquired about the cost of implementation of these ideas.

Director Coan (WA) asked if we shouldn’t table this motion until we get costs for these concepts.

Past President Dolan offered the idea to allow the motion and have the costs approved by ExCom by following procedures already in place.

Director Dale (UT) asked if we could include a not-to-exceed amount in the motion.

President Warren directed the Board to move forward with the motion as it is presented.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

9.7. **Board of Directors Serving on Committees**
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Board of Directors Serving on Committees”

Motion – All members of the Board of Directors must serve on at least one of the NSPS Committees.

This motion seconded by Director Miller (PA).

Director Vannozzi (MA) offered a revision to change “must” to include “expected.”

Director Boyer (TN) offered a friendly amendment to change “must” to “are expected to” with Director Vannozzi (MA) seconding. The vote on the change to the motion passes by voice vote with one nay by Director Russell (ID).

The amended motion passed on a voice vote.
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“All New Director’s Manual”

Motion – The Membership Committee reviews and updates the old Governor’s Manual to become the New Director’s Manual and distribute it to all directors prior to the next meeting and to any incoming director before their first meeting.

This motion seconded by Director Blumentritt (MN).

The motion passed on a voice vote.

9.9. ExCom and Committee Follow-up
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“All ExCom and Committee Follow-up”

Motion – ExCom Committee explores how to handle getting progress reports from all committee prior to each ExCom Meeting and create a policy so the method that is determined can be followed thru in continuing years.

This motion seconded by Director Berkland (SD).

President Warren stated that this motion follows the intended path set by himself and President-Elect Cavell during their terms.

Director Holland (VA) offered that a quarterly report would be more appropriate than trying to report after each ExCom meeting.

Director Leu (IA) also asked if this is intended to include available committee reports.

Director Martinez (NE) requested revising the motion to include “quarterly” and strike “prior to each ExCom meeting”, correct “determined” and “thru”, seconded by Director Simmons (DE).

Director Akin (OH) asked about the purpose of these reports. These are intended to update all Directors regarding committee and ExCom actions between Spring and Fall meetings.

Director Gregory (IN) asked if keeping up with committee status is a function of ExCom. President Warren stated that he intends to provide these updates as part of his role.
The amendment to the motion passed on a voice vote.

The amended motion passed on a voice vote.

9.10. **Nominating Committee Process**
Director Burch (IL) brought forward the following motion:

“Nominating Committee Process”

Motion – That the nomination committee review the process of finding candidates for offices and create policy on the process for future use.

This motion seconded by Director Van Horn (WI).

Vice President Fokens stated that the nomination process is part of the Bylaws and not the Policy Manual.

Director Burch (IL) clarified that the purpose of the motion was to bring the process for nomination back to the forefront.

Past President Dolan noted that the Bylaws state the immediate Past President is responsible for finding candidates for officers.

Director Van Horn (WI) also added that the purpose of the motion was to give everyone an opportunity to be nominated.

Director Graham (KS) offered changing “create Policy” to “recommend changes if necessary.”

Director Marois (CA) suggested developing guidelines for the nomination committee.

Past President Smith stated he will review the Bylaws and Policy manual to make sure the next nomination will follow the existing rules and/or help revise them where appropriate.

Director Van Horn (WI) also added that it is helpful to go beyond the board and ask for nominating suggestions.

Director Van Horn (WI) offered the amendment “That the nomination committee review the process of finding candidates for offices” with second from Director Berkland (SD). The amendment to the motion passed on a voice vote.

The amended motion passed on a voice vote.
9.11. **Booth Setups for State Conventions**
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Booth Setups for Conventions”

Motion – The Public Relation Committee creates a packet with information and instructions for setting up a booth at all state conferences.

This motion seconded by Director Allred (NM).

The motion passed on a voice vote.

9.12. **Updating Publications**
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Updating Publications”

Motion – The President assign an adhoc committee to go thru all printed publications and or handouts to remove the ACSM reference and update as needed. Once this is completed all publication must be sent to NSPS Staff to be added to the public Relations portion of the website.

This motion seconded by Director Berkland (SD).

Past President Dolan asked if we should look at all material and does it belong on the website.

Various wordsmithing was offered throughout the motion.

Joe Paiva asked if we should limit this item to PR.

Director Vannozzi (MA) added that we should include all documents.

Director Burn (NV) noted that the Land Title Survey Standards are being rebranded with NSPS.

Past President Smith confirmed that NSPS is no longer in the publication business.

Director Van Horn (WI) requested the following amended motion: The President assigns an adhoc committee to go through all publications and/or handouts as needed to remove the ACSM reference and update as needed. Once this is completed all public relations publications must be sent to NSPS staff to be added to the Public Relations portion of the website. Seconded by Director Martinez (NE).
Director Dale (UT) added that any current PDF document can be updated without reprinting.

Past President Smith noted that NSPS must be careful not to violate any copyrights.

The amendment to the motion passed on a voice vote.

The amended motion passed on a voice vote.

9.16. **Board of Directors inclusion of FIG Young Surveyors**

Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Board of Direction inclusion of FIG Young Surveyors”

Motion – That NSPS create a position on the Board of Directors to represent the FIG Young Surveyors and if needed support the position with expenses. It would be the responsibility of the young surveyors group to set up the means for which the position would be filled.

This motion seconded by Director Burch (IL).

Past President Dolan asked if we should add another position in addition to our existing FIG representative (currently John Hohol).

Director Vannozzi (MA) questioned whether the motion assumes this is a voting or non-voting role on the Board.

Director Allred (NM) suggested that would like it to be a non-voting position and offered that as a friendly amendment with Director Vannozzi (MA) seconding.

The amendment to the motion passed on a voice vote.

Director Boyer (TN) asked if this would institute a change in our bylaws.

Director Vannozzi (MA) suggested that to remove “and if needed support the position with expenses” and offered that as a friendly amendment with Director Vermont (VT) seconding.

Vice President Fokens stated that the position would require changes in the Bylaws.

The amendment to the motion passed by voice vote.
Director Dragoo (MD) inquired if this is creating the position and going around our bylaws.

Past President Smith added that non-voting positions have been created through MOU’s and is allowed through our process.

Based upon the complexity of the motion and need to clarify the position, a motion to table this item is made by Director Gregory (IN) and seconded by Director Berkland (SD). The motion passed on a voice vote with one nay from Director Glasoe (ND).

9.17. Board of Director’s Executive Assistant
Director Van Horn (WI) brought forward the following motion:

“Board of Director’s Executive Assistant”

Motion – That the executive committee and NSPS staff explore the creation of a part time position to assist the NSPS Board of Directors in the logistical functions of board.

This motion seconded by Director Burch (IL).

President Warren noted that increased membership will require increased support and will be discussed with staff as needed.

Director Van Horn (WI) added that it was a recommendation to stimulate discussion.

Director Vannozzi (MA) stated he is against the motion as it is micromanaging our NSPS staff.

Past President Dolan also added that staffing issues and needs should be up to the President and ExCom.

The motion defeated on a voice vote.

9.19. An Act for the Improvement of Inter-Organizational Communication
Director Burch (IL) brought forward the following motion:

“An Act for the Improvement of Inter-Organizational Communication”

Motion – That the NSPS Board of Directors moves that the Executive Committee make monthly reports to the Board of Directors to keep them apprised of all decisions made in the regular conducting of business as well as timely notice of any decisions which materially affect the operation of the organization.
This motion seconded by Director Van Horn (WI).

Director Vannozzi (MA) stated he is against the motion as we have News & Views as well as email from ExCom.

Director Glasoe (ND) also stated he is against the motion as it is more micromanaging of new officers.

Director Sens (NJ) offered the amendment changing “monthly” to “quarterly” with second from Director Howard (SD). The amendment to the motion passed on a voice vote.

Director Van Horn (WI) added that it was to increase communication.

The amendment to the motion passes by voice vote.

Director Allred (NM) stated that we voted these officers to do their job and now is the time to do exactly that.

Director Boyer (TN) called for the question with second by Director Glasoe (ND). Call for the questions passed by voice vote.

The amended motion defeated by show of hands.

9.18. Nomination and Vote – Two New ExCom Members

Nominations as follows:

Director Howard (CT), nominated by Martinez, second by Sargent
Director Akin (OH), nominated by Dingle, second by Burn
Director Gregory (IN), nominated by Holland, second by Leu
Director Sens (NJ), nominated by Vannozzi, seconded by Martinez
Close nomination by Director Berkland, second by Director Glasoe

Voting results: Director Howard (CT), Director Akin (OH)

9.20. Fennell Award Winners

John J. Doody, LS/PE - Connecticut
Dr. Kurt B. Wurm, Ph.D. – New Mexico State
9.21. For the Good of the Order

- Director Burch (IL) – Please forward any suggestion for improving our correspondence and communication to me and we will see how we can implement those ideas.
- Director Maxwell (FL) – Most of us found out this week that this is John Matonich’s last meeting as Chair of the JGAC and would like to see Past President Smith be named as his successor.
- Past President Beehler – An American flag needs to be installed at the podium for each of our meetings.
- Director Vannozzi (MA) – I would like to continue our tradition of Key Governor and could still do it today. President Warren offered that it would have to be through reopening the agenda and would prefer to start again at the Fall Meeting.
- Director Leu (IA) – I am in favor of returning to task committees.
- Director Van Horn (WI) – Things ran much quicker without task committees.
- Malcolm Shaw – This won’t be my last meeting.
- Director Sargent (NH) – Scholarship envelopes going to the Trig-Star scholarship
- Director Maxwell (FL) – Naming committee chairs is duty of President
- Director Van Horn (WI) – Please send committee placement requests to President Warren

10. Excom Authority- Vice President Fokens read the ExCom authority into the record, motion for acceptance by Director Graham (KS), seconded by Director Berkland (SD) and passed on a voice vote.

11. Time and Place of Next Meeting
Fall Business Meetings will take place October 8-10, 2015 in the Sandusky, OH area.

12. Adjournment – President Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:10pm.