



National Society of Professional Surveyors

ExCom Meeting Minutes - Approved

June 11, 2026 – 1PM ET/12PM CT/11AM MT/10AM PT

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1. Call to Order: President Murphy called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm ET.

2. Declaration of a Quorum:

P	President Tim Murphy
P	President-Elect Jeff Clendenning
P	Vice President Cotton Jones
P	Past President Linda Foster
P	Treasurer Patti Brooks
P	Secretary Dan Martinez
P	Director Norm Ellerbrock
P	Director Jim Hollandsworth
P	Director Sandy Peabody

P	Director Christopher Juliano
P	Affiliate Executive Director Nancy Hoines
P	YSN Representative Jon Geffre for Cam Lowe
P	NSPS Executive Director Tim Burch
P	NSPS Office Manager Trish Milburn
P	Guest – Matt Morris
	Guest -
	Guest -
	Guest -

3. Review and Approve Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda as submitted Clendenning/Hollandsworth. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Matt Morris – Spring Meeting Suggestions:

Morris provided an update on potential spring meeting locations, sharing feedback from previous discussions and his recent investigation into alternative venues. He explained the limitations and challenges of various options, including the King Street Station area, the Watergate, and the downtown Hilton, and requested guidance on next steps to find a suitable location. Burch confirmed that the 2027 spring meetings will be held on March 15-19 at the DoubleTree Pentagon Hotel. Concerns regarding the duration and costs of the spring meetings were also discussed. Milburn reported that DoubleTree will be making improvements to their facility ahead of next year's meetings.

5. Review and/or Approve Outstanding Minutes

- a. May 14, 2026 ExCom minutes:

Martinez had not completed the minutes. They will be presented and acted on at the July 9th meeting.

6. Unfinished/On-Going Business

- a. YSN – Lowe (Jon Geffre)

- i. Fall 2026 YSN Activities:

Plans are being made for a casino supper during the fall meeting.

- ii. Student Competition – Anything Else?

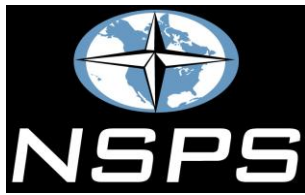
Looking to change the format of the monument hunt to a bingo game format.

- iii. Mentoring Program Update:

Milburn reported on the mentoring program showing improved numbers with 105 mentors and 100 mentees.

- iv. Officers

- v. Anything else



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At the upcoming officers meeting, they will be discussing ideas on how to provide financial assistance to young surveyors so they can attend the spring and fall meetings.

b. Spring business meeting closing thoughts – Burch/Milburn

- i. Day on the Hill
- ii. NGS/NOAA Leadership Visit
- iii. Highlights
- iv. Distractions

Burch and Milburn had nothing additional to report other than that they will be doing a final review of the spring meeting financials.

c. Fall business meeting update – Foster/Burch:

Foster discussed plans for the upcoming fall meeting in South Dakota, focusing on a celebration day on Monday with activities including a visit to Mount Rushmore and potential excursions to Crazy Horse or Sanford Underground Research Facility. Breakfast, lunch and transportation will be provided on Monday. Registration opens on Monday to NSPS officers and directors first before opening to the public. They have received a preliminary confirmation from Senator Thune that he will attend. Hoines reported that they are in contact with other dignitaries but due to it being an election year no other confirmations have been received to date. The meeting schedule will be compressed, with committee meetings in the morning and board meetings in the afternoon on Tuesday, making it unlikely for attendees to catch evening flights, so overnight accommodations on Tuesday will likely be necessary. The airport provides a free shuttle.

d. Collaboration platform / Conversion to Basecamp – Burch

Burch reported that they are still working towards getting everyone on Basecamp.

e. State statute matrix – Burch

Burch reported that Tess completed the matrix. Additional categories were added to the matrix. He is doing a final review prior to it going live. He also reported that Aaron Worley's firm hired Tess.

f. Committee Chairs/Liaisons update – Murphy

i. By-Laws and Resolutions

Christopher Juliano has agreed to take over for Peter Flint as Chair, and Nancy Almanzan has agreed to continue as the Chair of the Policy Subcommittee.

ii. Emerging Technologies

Ben Shinabery has agreed to Chair this committee.

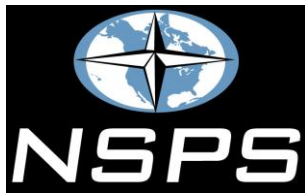
iii. PAC Appointees

While the current appointees have served this committee well and are willing to continue to serve, they are looking for new appointees with new ideas.

g. Bylaws/policy updates – Murphy – Policy changes need to catch up to By-Laws:

Discussed updating the organization's bylaws to reflect changes approved at the February Special Board of Directors meeting, including allowing young surveyors to vote on the board. Milburn agreed to review and update the bylaws on the website. Martinez will provide a copy of the draft minutes from the special board of directors' meeting.

h. Education Committee – SaLIS Journal – Foster



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The MOU was approved and executed, and they are now working through the pieces that were outlined in the MOU to start implementation. They are establishing the executive committee with representation from both groups, and they are working on granting access to NSPS members to the SaLIS Journal. The goal is to release the first issue in November.

i. NCEES

- i. Grant application (denial) update – Murphy
- ii. Non-Boundary license update – Murphy
- iii. Communications – Murphy

Murphy discussed recent meetings with NCEES leadership, noting that relationship building between NSPS and NCEES is needed. Hollandsworth, who was recently elected as Central Zone Vice President, explained that NCEES board members represent state licensing boards rather than NSPS membership, creating a potential conflict of interest regarding the non-boundary license update. The group agreed to focus on building relationships with NCEES rather than pursuing the previously denied grant application, with Hollandsworth planning to investigate the grant denial and provide feedback.

j. O'Net Data Collection Program – Clendenning:

Clendenning agreed to take over leadership from Murphy. They agreed to target approximately 65 directors and committee chairs rather than the full membership, aiming to collect responses from 50 participants who would receive \$75 gift cards. The group decided to send out the survey letter tomorrow and promote it at the upcoming town hall meeting to ensure NSPS surveyors are represented in the data pool.

k. America 250 Swag (stickers, tee shirts, pins)

Murphy mentioned that he has received compliments on his lapel pin and that these are still available. Clendenning shared an image of a commemorative folding knife that will be available at the fall meeting and through the NSPS store.

l. America 250 Celebrations (Colorado)

Hoiner mentioned that Minnesota, North Dakota and, South Dakota are talking about holding a joint celebration to place a marker at the location where the 3 states meet.

m. ADA Website Compliance – Burch

n. ACOE - Base Flood Determinations – Murphy

o. FIG Vice President – Murphy

p. FIG General Assembly and Commissions - Murphy

7. New Business

a. FIG Debrief – Murphy/Burch

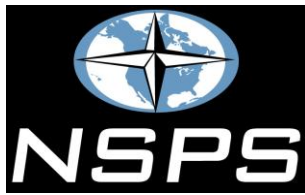
Murphy was surprised at how “political” the elections were. FIG 2030 will be in China. A large number of the attendees were also from China.

b. Federal Rules on U.S. Science (AGU) – Murphy/Foster

Substantial changes are being proposed that will affect how research is funded in our country and will change how research is performed and reviewed. These changes will allow political influence over peer-reviewed science that has been in place for generations. It was agreed that NSPS will submit comments during the public comment period.

c. RFI from USDOT's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS)– Foster/Burch

Foster and JB will be attending a webinar.



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- d. COGO – NSDI Survey distribution – Foster
NSPS members are also members of COGO. This survey was sent out to our entire membership.
 - e. Penn State Feedback Request – Foster
The decision to discontinue the survey program at Penn State has likely already been made. NSPS has sent letters of support for the program when the program came under scrutiny.
 - f. June Town Hall Topic(s) – Murphy/All
 - g. Awards Discussion – Murphy/All
8. Next ExCom Meeting (2nd Thursday) – July 9 (1:00 PM to 2:30 PM ET)
9. Next Directors Town Hall (4th Thursday) – June 25 (2:00 PM to 3:00 PM ET)
10. Next State Executives Town Hall
- a. Last meeting on May 12, 2026
 - b. Next meeting on August 11, 2026
Murphy asked Hoines to have the state executives provide comments/feedback to the NSPS Board of Directors. Nancy reported that they had their first monthly state executive meeting last week, and another one is planned for July 7th. Topics they covered were speakers, education sessions at conferences, Basecamp training, membership management software, etc.
11. Adjourn: *President Murphy adjourned the meeting at 2:37 pm ET.*