This report covers the period of April-September 2016.

BACKGROUND:

The NSPS AAGS Subcommittee is tasked with maintaining a continuing liaison with AAGS and to provide feedback to NSPS on any and all AAGS activities that can have broad benefit to NSPS membership.

ACTIVITIES:

Since the last NSPS Directors meeting in March, 2016 I have attended all but one of the monthly AAGS Board and General Membership teleconference meetings. During that time three issues have been pursued by AAGS that I believe are of significant interest to NSPS:

1. Geodetic Certification: At the March meeting the Directors were briefed about the details of the results of the AAGS on-line poll extended to the surveying community. This poll has provided the AAGS Education Committee with considerable information on the perceived needs of NSPS members. Since that time the Education committee has been working on developing the details to implement this certification process. A report on the status of that effort will be made at the NSPS Fall Directors meeting in Phoenix, AZ.

2. Association affiliation: This effort directed at NSPS state affiliates provides a new membership form will allows members of those associations to obtain AAGS at a reduced rate. AAGS is hopeful that this effort will bring new
members with a broader perspective of geodetic surveying to the society, with the goal of developing enhanced and targeted continuous education activities and opportunities. All 50 states and the District of Columbia have been contacted and nine; Arizona, Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Virginia have signed articles of affiliation along with the former ACSM Alaska Section. It is expected that Pennsylvania and Vermont will shortly join this effort.

3. SALIS Trademark: In June, President Cavell contact AAGS president Dr. Tom Meyers outlining his concerns about potential issues stemming from the issue of ownership of the journals name. After considerable discussion and communication with president Cavell the issue was finally settled by a letter from him to the presidents of both AAGS and GLIS.