

National Speleological Society, Inc.
Special Meeting of the Board of Governors
Minutes of Phone
Meeting January 9, 2020
FINAL

The special meeting of the NSS Board of Governors was held via teleconference on January 9, 2020. These minutes, when accompanied by corrections submitted by the Board, constitute the official record of the meeting.

President Schindel called the meeting to order at 9:00 pm ET.

Roll Call

Officers

Geary Schindel, president

Katherine Crispin, administrative vice-president (AVP)

Scott Engel, executive vice-president (EVP)

Maureen Handler, proxy for Mark Skove, operations vice-president (OVP)

Kristine Ebrey, secretary-treasurer elect (S-T)

Directors

Gary Barnes

Nathan Farrar

Peri Frantz

Stephen Gladieux

Savannah Sawyer

Julie Schenck-Brown

Carol Tiderman

Will Urbanski

Adam Weaver

Meredith Weberg

Cindy Wu

1) Approval of the minutes of the Fall 2019 Board of Governors Meeting in Huntsville, AL.

Schindel moved: The minutes from the November 9, 2019 NSS Board of Governors meeting held in Huntsville, Alabama are approved, with updates from Weberg email of 1/8/2020.

VOTE:

Unanimous

PASSED

2) Confirmation of Chair of the Membership Committee

Schindel moved: Kim Fedrick is confirmed as the chair of the Membership Committee.

VOTE:

Unanimous

PASSED

3) Bid Requirements for NSS Headquarters & Conference Center Renovation Expenses – Postponed from Fall 2019 meeting

Schenck-Brown moved: All expenses, including equipment, supplies, and labor related to the renovation of the NSS Headquarters & Conference Center will require three bids when the estimated value is at least \$5,000.

VOTE:

For: Gladieux, Schenck-Brown, Urbanski, Weaver, Wu

Against: Rest

FAILED

4) Expense Approval for NSS Headquarters & Conference Center Renovation – Postponed from Fall 2019 meeting

Schenck-Brown moved: All expenses, including equipment, supplies, and labor related to the renovation of the NSS Headquarters & Conference Center that have an estimated value of at least \$5,000 and paid for from the Beach Grant will be voted upon by the NSS BOG.

VOTE:

For: Schenck-Brown, Weaver

Against: Rest

FAILED

5) Approval of Management Plan for Thunder Hole Preserve Act 26-952, App BG

Schenck-Brown moves the management plan for Thunder Hole Cave Preserve, Tennessee is approved.

VOTE:

For: Unanimous

PASSED

6) Appointment of Thunder Hole, Tennessee Preserve Managers

Schenck-Brown moves Megan Atkinson and Warren Wyatt are approved as preserve managers for Thunder Hole Preserve, Tennessee.

VOTE:

For: Unanimous

PASSED

7) Amendment of Act 15-770, Audit Committee Charter

Tiderman moves: Act 15-770, Audit Committee Charter, is amended as follows:

The <Audit><<Review>> Committee is established under the Directorate according to the <Audit><<Review>> Committee Policy. (Appendix AV)

VOTE:
For: Unanimous

PASSED

Announcement

Schindel informed the board of his intent to sign and return the National Park Service/NSS Memorandum and Understanding. There was no board action required.