

# WELCOME ON BOARD

It is an HONOR | It is a RESPONSIBILITY | It is a great PRIVILEGE By the way, it's HARD WORK

#### Our Common Goal

#### Mission Statement



A society of professional surveyors and their associates dedicated to enhancing professionalism, improving legislative awareness, and promoting the profession of surveying.



#### ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

#### **Chapters & Committees**

Local Chapters

Standing Committees

Special Committees

Special Liaisons

#### **Board of Directors**

President

President-elect

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer

Past President

**NSPS** Delegate

**Chapter Presidents** 

#### **Executive Committee**

President

President-elect

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer

Past President

**NSPS** Delegate

2 At-large Chapter Presidents

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING

#### **STRENGTHS**

- Good relations with NCBELS
- Strong Education Foundation
- Strong staff, website & database
- Active Board Members
- Increased presence in Advocacy
- Online Classes/Chapter partners

#### **WEAKNESSES**

- No training for entry level staff in surveying firms
- Members not active in chapters
- Value vs. Cost
- Lack of enthusiasm for chapter leadership
- Gray areas due to technology

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- Changing Technology
- Become a leader in the specialization / diversification of the profession
- Attend other association conventions / trade shows
- Career Fairs
- Membership drive
- Chapter growth

#### **THREATS**

- Profession is aging out
- Courts declared we are not Learned Profession
- Low pass and participation rate of PLS exam
- Retirees not participating

## Where To Start...

#### Get To Know Other Board Members

- Where do they live?
- Do they have families?
- What are their interests and concerns?
- Why do they want to serve on the Board?



#### Get To Know NCSS Staff

 Learn where to go for answers to questions.

Learn that this job deserves your best...most of you VOLUNTEERED FOR THIS!

### **Board Member Code Of Ethics**



- Listen Carefully
- Respect Opinions
- Authority Is Vested In The Board
- Be Informed
- Participate
- Ensure That NCSS Is Well Managed
- Represent NCSS
- Always Work To Learn More



- Be Critical
- Use NCSS For Personal Advantage
- Discuss Confidential Proceedings
- Promise Votes
- Interfere With The Duties Of NCSS Staff

# 3 Questions To Ask Myself Before Voting At A Meeting

Do I have enough information to make a decision or to vote on an issue?

Will the decision I am voting on have any direct impact on me personally or my practice?

Is the decision morally or legally wrong?



**FUN** - Society and Chapter business is intended to benefit the profession... be at ease with your peers.

**LUCK** - Have a drawing or a raffle...play a game with ½ the proceeds going to the Education Foundation or something within NCSS.

**INFORMATIVE** – Plan to have a guest speaker. Not necessarily someone in the field...just someone who is interesting and informative.

PRIVATE – Try to plan your meetings in a private room.

SHORT – Set a time limit and stick to it!

# Formula for a Successful Meeting

| YOU WANT TO:                                   | YOU SAY:  | INTERRUPT? | 2nd? | DEBATE? | AMEND? | VOTE?      |
|--|---|------------|------|---------|--------|------------|
| Close meeting                                  | I move to adjourn   | No         | Yes  | No      | No     | Majority   |
| Take break                                     | I move to recess for I rise to a question of                      | No         | Yes  | No      | Yes    | Majority   |
| Register complaint                             | privilege   | Yes        | No   | No      | No     | None       |
| Make follow agenda                             | I call for orders of the day                                      | Yes        | No   | No      | No     | None       |
| Lay aside temporarily                          | I move to lay the question<br>on the table<br>I move the previous | No         | Yes  | No      | No     | Majority   |
| Close debate                                   | question  | No         | Yes  | No      | No     | Two-thirds |
| Limit or extend debate                         | I move that debate be limited to                                  | No         | Yes  | No      | Yes    | Two-thirds |
| Postpone to a certain time                     | I move to postpone the motion to                                  | No         | Yes  | Yes     | Yes    | Majority   |
| Refer to committee                             | I move to refer the motion to a committee                         | No         | Yes  | Yes     | Yes    | Majority   |
| Modify wording of motion                       | I move to amend the motion by                                     | No         | Yes  | Yes     | Yes    | Majority   |
| Kill main motion                               | I move that the motion be<br>postponed indefinitely               | No         | Yes  | Yes     | No     | Majority   |
| Bring business before assembly (a main motion) | I move that   | No         | Yes  | Yes     | Yes    | Majority   |

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (1990)

Parliamentary Procedures

The motions below are listed in order of precedence. Any motion can be introduced if is higher on the chart than the pending motion.

| YOU WANT TO:                 | YOU SAY:                                      | INTERRUPT? | 2 <sup>nd</sup> ? | DEBATE? | AMEND? | VOTE?      |
|------------------------------|---|------------|-------------------|---------|--------|------------|
| Enforce rules                | Point of order                                | Yes        | No                | No      | No     | None       |
| Submit matter to assembly    | I appeal from the decision of the chair       | Yes        | Yes               | varies  | No     | Majority   |
| Suspend rules                | I move to suspend the rules                   | No         | Yes               | No      | No     | Two-thirds |
| Avoid main motion altogether | I object to the consideration of the question | Yes        | No                | No      | No     | Two-thirds |
| Divide motion                | I move to divide the question                 | No         | Yes               | No      | Yes    | Majority   |
| Demand rising vote           | I call for a division                         | Yes        | No                | No      | No     | None       |
| Parliamentary law question   | Parliamentary inquiry                         | Yes        | No                | No      | No     | None       |
| Request for information      | Point of information                          | Yes        | No                | No      | No     | None       |

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Parliamentary Procedures

**Incidental Motions** - no order of precedence. Arise incidentally and decided immediately

| Take a matter from the table | I move to take from the table | No | Yes | No     | No  | Majority                                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----|-----|--------|-----|--|
| Cancel previous action       | I move to rescind             | No | Yes | Yes    | Yes | Two-thirds<br>(majority<br>with<br>notice) |
| Reconsider motion            | I move to reconsider          | No | Yes | Varies | No  | Majority                                   |

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Motions that Bring a Question Again Before the Assembly - no order of precedence. Introduce only when nothing else pending.

# Parliamentary Procedures

### **Board Calendar**

Spring BOD Meeting

Summer BOD Meeting Fall BOD Meeting Winter BOD Meeting

May 15, 2021 Wake Forest August 7, 2021 Location TBD

November 6, 2021 Wake Forest February 26, 2022 Pinehurst

## Required Reports

**Timeline** 

Reports are due AT LEAST 30 DAYS before each Board meeting. Without written reports, it will be necessary to give a verbal report... which can make a Board meeting quite long.

April 9, 2021

July 9, 2021

October 8, 2021

January 14, 2022



Report should include activity of chapter and any items requested for discussion at Board meeting.



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Meeting dates should be in italics without bold or underline features.



Separate reports should be submitted for chapter vs. committee work.

# How to Prepare Your Report

Reminders for quarterly report deadlines will be provided by Executive Director

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# NCSS Chapter Presidents

#### at Board of Directors' Meetings

Chapter Presidents must **attend all** meetings of the NCSS Board or give a **written proxy** to someone representing your chapter.

In order to place "**new business**" on the Board's agenda, submit a request with your chapter report to the NCSS office prior to each Board meeting.

MOTIONS are made by a member of the Board.

Chapter Presidents should report back to their chapters on the highlights of all Board meetings, particularly those matters voted upon.

Chapter Presidents may wish to ensure that **chapter dues be enough to cover travel expenses** for President or proxy.

Chapter Presidents may wish to consider serving on a committee as unique insight is gained into the inner workings of NCSS.

## **Suggestions for Successful Chapter Meetings**

- Begin and end meetings on time
- Have an agenda and stick to it
- Keep meeting moving at appropriate pace
- Arrange for a speaker and make sure their needs are met
- Delegate responsibility to all chapter members
- Host a Past President's night

- Distribute NCSS membership applications and other information to potential members
- Bring a buddy, invite an attorney, realtor or general contractor
- Play a game or plan a social event to entice new members
- Send follow-up thank you letters when necessary
- Have fun and fellowship!

## NCSS Chapter Presidents

#### **Local Chapter Operations**

Have an annual planning session with other Chapter Officers.

Invite NCSS President or President–elect to a meeting.

Assign members to NCSS Committees

Plan at least 6 meetings/programs in advance.

Coordinate chapter activities with those of NCSS.

Consult NCSS Office for speaker list.

- NCSS President
- NCSS Executive Director / Lobbyist
- NSPS Governor
- NCSS Legislative Chair
- NCSS PAC Chair
- NCSS Education Chair
- CST Representative
- NCSS Membership Chair

- GPS User's Group Chair
- NCSS Sustaining
   Members
- Local Legislators
- Snake Bite Expert
- Clerk of Court
- City or County Staff
- FEMA Representatives

# Speaker's Bureau

| PM: Meeting Date  • Fellowship time prior to meeting   |
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| PM: Meeting Called to Order:  Introduction of guest(s): names  Grace/evening meal: name  Brief bio of guest speaker  Presentation  Thanks to speaker   |
| BREAK  |
| <ul> <li>PM: Business Meeting</li> <li>Sec/Treasurer report: Minutes of last meeting</li> <li>Financial report</li> <li>Committee reports</li> <li>Old Business</li> <li>New Business</li> <li>President's Report</li> </ul> |
| PM: Motion to Adjourn  |

Sample
Agenda for
Chapter
Meetings

#### **NCSS Committee Chairs**

**Meet regularly** with committee.

**Delegate responsibility** to all committee members.

Submit reports to NCSS office 30 days prior to Board meetings.

Add/Remove members after discussion with NCSS President.

**Review** with members Committee's mission.

Seek Board approval for all expenditures of non-budgeted funds and/or all policy requests.

NCSS and Chapters can partner to host seminars in spring and fall.

Chapters' responsibilities – Topic, Speakers, Venue, Caterer.

NCSS responsibilities – Registrations, contracts, printed materials, help with AV if needed, financial reporting, track PDHs for participants.

Profits are shared 50/50 which is a win/win for everyone.

# Education Partnerships

#### **NCSS Committee Chairs**

Items To Include In An Effective Meeting

- Agenda of matters to be covered, including old business.
- O2 Copies of committee's charge or function.
- O3 Copies of committee's names, addresses and phone numbers.
- NCSS calendar to mark all meeting dates with your committee for the year.

### **NCSS Standing Committees**

- Conference Committee
- Education Committee
- Executive Committee
- Finance & Budget Committee
- Legislative Committee
- Long Range Planning Committee

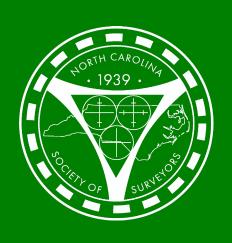
- Membership Development &
  - Chapter Relations Committee
- Nominating Committee
- Public Relations Committee
- Standards of Practice Committee

#### **NCSS Special Committees**

- Land Records Advisory
- Electronic Recording Council
- Geographic Information
  - **Coordinating Council**
- NC A&T Advisory Committee
- NCSS Education Foundation

- NCSS PAC
- NCSS MAPS, Inc.
- Professional Enhancement Committee
- Railroad Access Permits
- Real Estate
- Right of Entry

# NCSS Special Liaisons



01 NC Board of Examiners for Engineers & Surveyors

Underground Damage Prevention Review Board



# Thank you!!!

Thank you for stepping up to be a part of NCSS and moving the profession of surveying forward.

It's Worth It!