

National Speleological Society, Inc.

Agenda of the Special Meeting of the Board of Governors

**Virtual
April 28, 2026
8PM EST**

Final

COD, Josh Schultz, called the meeting to order at 8:00PM EST, April 28, 2026.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: 8:02PM Local Time

Directors

Sarah Arpin - PRESENT
Mike Backe - PRESENT
Zach Englebert- PRESENT
Pete Johnson - PRESENT
Miki Kalber - ABSENT
Mike Mansur - PRESENT
Nina Martin - ABSENT
Rebecca McNabb - PRESENT
Dennis Melko - PRESENT
Aria Mildice - ABSENT
Anna Pearce - PRESENT
Josh Schultz - PRESENT

2. Minutes to Approve

2.1. [01/5/26 Minutes](#)

2.2. [03/14/26 Minutes](#)

Melko: moves to approve

Mansur: seconds

Schultz: calls voice vote

Voice Vote:

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

3. Division Head & Board Reports

NONE

4. Comments from the Membership

NONE

5. Unfinished Business

NONE

6. New Business

**6.1. Schultz moves to approve NSS MOU with the US Forest Service/USDA
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Johnson: seconds

Voice Vote: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

**6.2. Schultz moves to approve NSS MOU with the Appalachian Cave
Conservancy**

Englebert: seconds

Voice Vote: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

**6.3. Schultz moves to approve NSS Joint Management Agreement with Jason
Cathey (landowner), NSS Thunderhole Cave Nature Preserve**

Mansur: seconds

Voice Vote: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

7. Closed Session of the Board

Schultz moves to enter closed session at 8:14PM EST

8. Open Session

Englebert: moves to enter open session at 9:17PM EST

Johnson: seconds

Schultz: calls voice vote

Voice Vote: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

9. Adjournment

Melko: motions to adjourn

Englebert: seconds

Schultz adjourns at 9:20PM EST