

2019 Congress of Grottos Report to NSS Board of Governors

The 2019 Congress of Grottos convened on June 19, 2019 in Cookeville, TN with Chair Bill Stringfellow presiding. Approximately twenty-five (25) Internal Organizations were represented.

Special Guests:

NSS OVP - Mark Skove
NSS Directors - Carl Tiderman, Savannah Sawyer
IO Committee Chair - Paul Winter

Old Business:

No one from the NSS administration was present to report on the motion passed at the 2018 Congress of Grottos or to address the outstanding request from the 2017 Congress deferred from the 2018 Session.

Motion passed at 2018 COG:

The Board of Governors study a special membership rate level for CDS members.

Motion passed by 2017 COG:

The Congress of Grottos requests a complete financial report of expenses or operations of the NSS headquarters, which includes cost analysis for rentals, income and expenses, and long term viability.

New Business:

No issues were submitted by the March 15th deadline.

Discussions from the floor:

- Proposed NSS member code of conduct (very general discussion)
- Proper term for people involved in cave rescues
- What to do with cave register data
- NSS membership within grottos
- Issues at NSS office relating to members access archives

Elections of Officers:

Chair: Bill Stringfellow, elected by acclamation.

Vice-Chair: Barbara Moss, elected by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned until next regular meeting of the COG by Chair Bill Stringfellow.

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