

## **NSSHA PLANNING MEETING**

**June 11, 2025**

**Via Zoom**

**Call to order:** Tony Franks called the meeting of the NSSHA board to order shortly after 5pm. The meeting is to discuss and plan the general meeting on Saturday June 28, 2025.

**Roll call:** Tony asked the secretary to take a roll call of those present. Those attending were Tony Franks, Paul Hugo, Meredith Randall, Julie Newlin, Dawn Johnson, Mike Blote, Jim Botsford, and Nancy Allen. Lisa Long was unable to attend. Linden is out of town and Mary did not join us.

Nancy asked about Hal and Kathy Lewin. Hal has resigned his position from the board. Kathy Lewin will not be attending our events even though she is the Past President. However, she will still be available for conference and advice if we need her.

**Review of minutes of the last meeting:** Nancy had sent those out to everyone earlier for review. Tony asked if anyone needed to review the minutes and if not, is there a motion to accept the minutes. Paul made the motion to accept as read. Julie seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**President's report:** Because of needed construction/repairs, the Sciots clubhouse became unavailable for our annual meeting. Tony looked at other options: Sierra at Tahoe, Sierra Pines Camp, Kyburz, Strawberry Market. He settled on Camp Sacramento. Kathy Lester, an employee of the city of Sacramento, helped Tony get to the Director of Recreation for the City of Sacramento.

**What do we need: Single Event insurance.** Tony asked Mike to take care of that. He suggested that Mike get a hold of K & K Insurance. [KandKinsurance.com](http://KandKinsurance.com). Mike can make the arrangements for one day liability coverage online and pay for it with NSSHA's credit card.

**Signage:** Tony has four sandwich boards. He wants to put one down at Sciots, directing NSSHA members to Camp Sacramento. The rest of the sandwich boards will be placed at Camp Sac, directing people to parking and to the meeting hall. Tony also had a large vinyl banner made with NSSHA, our logo, pine trees, etc. on it, that he is going to hang in the entrance to the lodge at Camp Sac.

**Boy Scouts:** Julie contacted the scouts. They will attend our meeting. They want to arrive at least ½ hour early to practice. It is unknown if the chairs will already be set up. Previously at Sciots, the Boy Scouts and the FS had their own special areas for parking. Julie will ask them if they could come a little earlier and help with parking.

**Chairs:** Tony will confirm with Chad Richardson of Camp Sac, that they had enough chairs for us. Julie said that last year at Sciots, we used 112 chairs, but had 130 people attend. If we need chairs, the ones at Sciots are unavailable due to the construction. Dawn also asked about cones to mark off areas for FS parking. Tony thought that he could get cones.

**PA System:** Tape down the cords. We may need extension cords. Does Camp Sac have a screen for a projector? Power adaptors for just in case. Julie asked if we will have a board meeting, prior to the annual meeting, like we did last year. Answer: no.

**Coffee:** Tony suggested that we ask the owner of Kyburz, the Bunny Slope café, to provide coffee and pastries. Meredith will talk to the owner this weekend and send us a note later. If not, Nancy will provide coffee and cookies.

**When do we arrive:** The board agreed to arrive at 9am to set up and get ready. That may change if we need set up chairs. The boy scouts will arrive by 10am.

**Tables:** How many tables? One for collecting dues, one for handouts in the back, one table for the board to sit behind, a podium, and a table for coffee and cookies. This hall does not have a kitchen.

**Review of table:** Paperwork table, what goes on it? Name tags. Nancy will bring name tags, along with pens. Maybe cookies and all the parts and pieces that go along with coffee – cups, creamer, sweetener, napkins, etc.

**Who makes copies:** Nancy makes copies of the minutes, and roster, Mike will make copies of the treasurer report and Tony will make copies of the agenda. There was discussion of whether to have the by-laws available or not. We decided to table the by-laws for now.

**Cleanup:** We will stay after to do cleanup. Nancy will bring garbage bags and we will figure out what to do with the garbage at that time.

**Agenda:** Update from NFH, maybe an update from a FS representative, Paul will give an update on trees and on the website, how to get a fire permit, the new way of making payments online, FS road project in Bull Creek, Fir tract and Sayles, RCD may take out more hazard trees in Sayles, Bryant Creek and Aspen, recap of the hazardous tree project. Paul will put an agenda together and send it out to everyone. Tony suggested that Meredith speak about her meeting with the Chief of the Forest Service and how positive it was. Tony has asked David Fournier to speak. No answer yet. Julie asked Paul to emphasize the bear sighting section of the website. Tony wants to promote the website and upgrades to the website - QR codes for example. There will be a “make payment” QR code printed on the newsletter. Paul will discuss CCORP and the reforestation effort at Sierra at Tahoe. Tony asked if we need to go over the permit renewal process. Most of us said no. Linda may be the only FS person there. She will not be able to answer questions from other districts – Pacific, Amador, LTBMU. Question on the NSSHA logo? Do we want to have the membership vote on the logo? No clear answer. Nancy mentioned the sign program, suggested asking the membership if they want to continue with the sign program.

**Question about the roster:** do we still want to continue with physical/home addresses on the roster? Most said they don't see a need for physical addresses.

Paul spoke about the newsletter and asked for feedback. He hopes to have it out soon.

Jim made a comment about signage in Amador district. In the Amador district, they put signs up for the FS when trail head signs go down. The FS appreciates their efforts. None of the cabin tracts on Hiway 88, have tract signs. Something to be addressed.

How many copies do we need of the paperwork? Nancy suggested 100 each.

Paul made a motion to adjourn. Jim seconded it. We all voted yes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.

Nancy Allen, Secretary  
June 12, 2025

