

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

REGION ONE	REGION TWO	REGION THREE	REGION FOUR	REGION FIVE
Bob Jacques	Tom Bussey	John Reedy	Sam Scott	Pete Lewis
Don Angle	Darryl Watson	Steve Gibson	Joe Lewis	Bill Picht
	Paul Rogers	Bob Holly	Kevin Richmond	Rick Bowlby

Minutes of the January 21, 2026 NCSSA Board Meeting Held at Big League Dreams, Manteca

Bill Picht called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM

Directors Present: Don Angle, Darryl Watson, Paul Rogers, Sam Scott, Joe Lewis, Kevin Richmond, John Reedy, Steve Gibson, Bob Holly, Pete Lewis, and Bill Picht

Directors Absent: Rick Bowlby, Tom Bussey and Bob Jacques

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2025 Pre Annual Meeting. Motion passed. A second motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2025 Annual Meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Board President Bill Picht presented the Treasurer's Report for Rick Bowlby. The beginning balance for the period was \$18,728.37. There were expenses totaling \$375 representing quarterly expense for website services. Income during the period was \$0, resulting in an ending balance as of December 31, 2025 of \$18,353.37.

It was reported that teams will now be able to pay their team registration fee using the "Zelle" electronic payment process (EPP). Zelle is the only EPP that will be used at this time. EPP cannot be used to pay tournament entry fees, only team registration fees. Pete will discuss the process further with Treasurer Rick Bowlby and then will add information regarding the EPP and Zelle in the 2026 Manager's Instructions Letter. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. The motion passed.

Election of Officers for 2026:

Section 5 (B) of the NCSSA By Laws states that at their first Board meeting of each year, the Board of Directors shall elect the President, Vice President, Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and any other necessary officers. The following are the elected Officers for 2026:

President:	Bill Picht
Vice President:	Paul Rogers
Secretary:	Darryl Watson
Treasurer:	Rick Bowlby
Recording Secretary:	Pete Lewis

Committee Chairs:

The Committee Chairs for each of the Board's standing committees for 2026 are:

Scheduling Committee:	Paul Rogers
Rules Committee:	Tommy Bussey
Ranking Committee:	Darryl Watson
Hall of Fame Committee:	Don Angle
Registration/Roster Committee:	Pete Lewis
Disciplinary Committee:	Don Angle

2026 Tournament Schedule: There was a discussion regarding the need to secure additional venues for NCSSA tournaments. This is becoming more and more difficult. One Board member reported that the Pleasanton Sports Complex had eliminated all of their adult leagues and if true, this could provide an opening for NCSSA to obtain tournament dates at Pleasanton once again. John Reedy volunteered to contact the Pleasanton officials regarding this possibility and report back to the Board.

John Reedy presented the proposed tournament schedule for 2026. He was able to secure the recently remodeled Carson City facility for one weekend in August, however, we do not have a tournament director so we will probably have to pull that location from the schedule. John also reported that he was able to secure a Thursday/ Friday and a Saturday/Sunday date at the Ripon Softball Complex. John will rework the schedule based on today's input from the Board and resubmit for final approval. Should be able to post approved schedule on the website by Friday, January 23.

Attendance at Scheduled Board Meetings: In a follow up to the discussion that occurred at the Annual Board Meeting in December regarding attendance at our scheduled Board Meetings, it was confirmed that managers and players are welcome to attend. Announcements will be posted on the website informing managers and players of upcoming Board meetings. Non-Board attendees can observe the proceedings but cannot participate in discussions unless they have informed the Board in advance that they want to present an agenda item and are on the Meeting agenda.

Hall of Fame: It was stated that we need to put more effort into soliciting "qualified" candidates for the Hall of Fame. Don Angle will open the nomination process earlier this year so that we have more time to obtain nominations.

New Business:

- Kevin Richmond is talking to officials in Hayward and other cities, trying to secure additional softball facilities where we can hold senior tournaments.
- Paul Rogers noted that the majority of teams in Groups 1 and 2 only played in one (1) NCSSA tournament in 2025 and stressed that we need to figure out ways to increase participation from the younger teams. It was decided that the Rules Committee would look into amending the current home run rule to allow teams in Groups 1 and 2 to hit more home runs rather than being restricted by the one-up home run rule.
- Pete Lewis reported that team registrations for 2026 have already started coming in and the process is going well.

Next NCSSA Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15 at 11:00 AM at Manteca Big League Dreams.

Meeting adjourned by Bill Picht at 1:16 PM.