Northern Virginia Shag Club (NVSC)
Board of Director (BoD)'s Meeting Agenda via Zoom
November 3, 2025

I. Call to Order

A. The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:40 pm.

B. Present were President Jack Jones, Vice President Dick Prosser, Treasurer Mark Hendrickson, Secretary Linda Barna. Directors-At-Large: Pamela Alfano, Bee Buergler, Barbara Ebersole, Liz Kestler and Kathy Kropat.

II. Reading and Consent of prior month's Board Meeting Minutes.

A. October 2025 BoD Meeting Minutes were reviewed and will be published as presented.

III. Treasurer's Report: Mark Hendrickson

A. The balance in the checking account is $9,364.

1. No outstanding liabilities.
2. We spent $250 on the Holiday Party last year.

IV. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Audit: Linda Zerden, Chair

1. Linda is working on the audit.

B. Charity and Fundraising: Vacant.

C. Dance Committee: Pamela Alfano, Chair

1. Joan will teach intermediate footwork lessons at 7:30 in the Fairfax room while the beginner lessons are being taught.

D. Membership: Barbara Dent, Chair

1. Members total: 106 members listed. 94 active.
2. 12 Outstanding Renewals: 3 from July, 2 from August. 1 from September, 6 from October. .
3. 11 November renewal emails sent November 1.

E. Music: Vaughn Royal, chair. Pamela liaison: No Report

1. November 6: Jack
2. November 13: Craig
3. November 20: Loren
4. November 27: Thanksgiving. No dance.

F. Public Relations: We will recruit a chair. Adele has volunteered to assist the chair.

1. Adele currently posts in Instagram
2. Adele is willing to fulfill public relations suggestions.

G. Social and Hospitality Committee: Vacant

V. Other Committee Reports:

A. Communications:

1. Facebook – Jack Jones and John Romito.
    a. Jack posted photos from the Halloween party.
2. Hello Shagger – Kathy Kropat.
    a. Kathy will ask for folks to volunteer for the vacant committee positions.
3. Shag Rag – Adele Robey.
    a. November Shag Rag will be delayed to include Board candidate bios & photos, voting ballots and instructions on how to vote by mail.
4. Website – Loren Kropat. No Report
    a. Kathy has the log-in and will give it to Jack.

VI. New Business:

A. Kevin is the "Nomination and Elections Committee" Chair for the upcoming elections.

1. Adele has agreed to hold off the release of the November Shag Rag so it can include the election candidates' Bios and Photos. It will also contain the ballot and instructions on how to vote by mail.
2. The 4th Quarter General Membership Meeting will be held on November 6th at 8:15
    a. Kevin will introduce the candidates.
3. The election is scheduled for November 20. The results be announced that evening.

B. As requested by the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame, we are being asked to purchase a half page Ad 4.25x5.25 inches for $125.00 to support the Virginia Jr Shaggers and other VSHOF charities.

1. Deadline for the check and Ad is December 10th.
2. A motion was made, seconded and passed to buy an Ad to support the Jr Shaggers.
3. Jack volunteered to design the Ad.

C. The first Cleanup for the "Adopt a Highway program" was held on October 22 and resulted in 17 huge bags of garbage collected. Thanks to Dick for organizing the cleanup and the 8 volunteers who participated.

1. The next cleanup date will be determined by Dick and probably will occur late March of 2026.

D. Joan has volunteered to teach special footwork lessons November 20 & December 4.

1. The lessons will be at 7:30 at the same time as the beginner lessons.

E. We will request a nomination package from The Competitive Shaggers Walk of Fame. The nomination process will be conducted November 1, 2025 through February 1, 2026.

1. This honors competitive shaggers who have been active in doing such things as teaching and have served on the boards of their club.
2. Bee would like to help with the nomination package.

F. Sue Young delivered the Donation checks from our Wine Auction to Capital Caring. After a discussion by email with board members, it was agreed that Sue should invite their Representative to our Holiday Party on December 11th.

1. Our BIG CHECK is missing.
    a. Check the upstairs coat room and the downstairs store room.
    b. Mark will ask Bonnie if she knows where it is stored.

G. At the end of our Halloween dance on Thursday, Vaughn mentioned that he noticed distortion with several songs that they played.

1. Listen to see if there is distortion when Jack DJs this week.
2. Vaughn & Cathy will check their set-up to see if they can solve the problem.

H. A possible joint party with the Richmond Shag Club has been suggested due to decreasing attendance at our NVSC dance party at the SOS Fall Migration.

1. Jack will check with the President of the Richmond Shag Club to see how their party is financed.
    a. We could pro-rate the costs based on the number of attendees from each club.
    b. RSC party takes place on the beach.
    c. It seems everyone brings food to share.
    d. BYOB. Members bring shooters to share.
    e. What is Plan B in case of rain.
    f. Our Back-Room-Party at Fat Harold's costs about $250. It includes a free drink and snack food for each NVSC member.
2. Pros of a joint party:
    a. Larger group (100+). Our party has been small (16+)
    b. The outside party is fun.
3. Cons of a joint party:
    a. Not as much dancing as Fat Harold's where there is a dance floor. Dancing is fun.
    b. Not as much attention to NVSC members connecting and re-connecting.

4. Another option: Jack will contact Fat Harold's to see if we can change our party date so we do not conflict with Richmond Shag Club party. This way, NVSC & RSC can attend each other's parties. This could possibly increase attendance to NVSC party.
5. Pamela said the President of RSC is open to the idea of holding a joint party.

I. Craig J is likely to retire soon and is also the Shag DJ in most demand in the Shag community.

K. Holiday Party: December 11. $250 last year.

1. Ask Sue if she is willing to coordinate the decorations and suggest a theme.
2. Dick volunteered to buy & bring the food platters with ham, turkey, roast beef & cheese. NO salami.
3. Liz will donate a large basket and bring it to the dance this week.
    a. BoD members will donate items to fill it.
    b. Pamela volunteered to assemble it.

VII. Old Business:

1. Special thanks to Kevin and Trish for hosting the Wine Auction. We had a great time and collected over $1,800 to donate to Capital Caring.
2. The Halloween celebration on October 30 was a blast. Really enjoyed the Music provided by Vaughn and Cathy. The pictures taken were sent to Adele for the Shag Rag and also uploaded to our Facebook page.

VIII. Other Announcements:

A. Next Board meeting: December 1, 2025 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

IX. The meeting was Adjourned at 8:40pm

HISTORIC EVENTS

Red indicates NVSC local event

January -SOS Mid-Winter ACSC meeting – January
January -National Shag Dance Championship prelims, NMB, SC – January
February -NVSC Super Bowl party – February (location, feasibility)
March -1st quarter General Membership Meeting not later than the end of March
March -National Shag Dance Championship finals, NMB, SC – March

March -Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame – typically in March
March – begin arrangements for NVSC Shag-A-Thon (Dulles Town Center?)
NVSC Capital Classic – potential smaller event?
April -SOS Spring Safari ACSC Meeting – April
May -U.S. Grand Dance Nationals, Augusta – May
June?? -Joint party with Battlefield Boogie Club – June 1, 2024
June – 2nd quarter General Membership Meeting (no later than the end of June)
July -Ice Cream/Sorbet Social at Elks – July 11, 2024
August -Richmond Boogie on the James – August
August -Battlefield Boogie Club dinner dance – August
September -SOS Fall Migration ACSC Meeting – September
September - 3rd quarter General Membership Meeting (no later than the end of September)
October -NVSC Club Picnic – October 5, Rain Date October 6, 2024
October -NVSC Wine Tasting and Auction Social – October 27, 2024
October or November – 4th Quarter General Membership Meeting (no later than the end of November)
October – Fairy Hair 2024
October – Halloween Dance.
November -National Living Legends of Dance Followers – November
December -NVSC Club holiday party – December 12, 2024
December – 50s Night - December 5, 2024 was too close to Christmas. use old photos from previous
Misc. Socials at The Revolutions and other locations throughout the year
New venue for the Dance Committee to review Shag steps.

2024 NVSC BoD ELECTION dates 2024

In the future, we recommend starting process by forming a committee in September (check the bylaws)

1. October 7: Hello Shagger asks for BoD candidates.
2. By November 7: Candidates provide bio with photo.
3. By November 14: Ballot published in a special edition of the Shag Rag.
4. November 16: Latest postmark date for mail-in ballots.
5. November 18: Mail-in ballots due
6. December 5: Last in-person vote at 8pm during our dance.
7. December 12: New Board announced & introduced at the Holiday Party.

2025 Events record

January 30 – Lunar New Year Party
February 2 – Dance at Clare & Don's, Falls Church, no charge
February 6 – Team Colors Dance (pre-Super Bowl)
February 13 – Valentine's Dance
February 22-March 3 – Shag Cruise with 22 NVSC members
March 13 – St Patrick's Dance
March 16 – Clare & Don's
April 6 – Clare & Don's
May 1 – Kentucky Derby Dance
May 18 – Clare & Don's
May 15 – 60s Party Dance with Who's Who (high school age)
June 8 – Healthy Together Fairfax at Franconia Park
June 26 - General Membership Meeting
June 28 – Joint Party with Battlefield Boogie Club
July 13 – Clare & Don's

August 10 – Clare & Don's
September 4 – Ice Cream Social
September 25 – 3rd Quarter General Membership Meeting
October 4 – Picnic at Kropat's
October 19 – Wine Auction at Trish & Kevin's
October 30 – Halloween Dance
November 6 – 4th Quarter General Membership Meeting
November 20 – BoD Election during the dance
December 11 – Holiday Party