Northern Virginia Shag Club (NVSC)
Board of Director (BoD)'s Meeting Agenda via Zoom
January 5, 2026

I. Call to Order

A. The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:37 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 & Consent of prior month's Board Meeting & the 3rd Quarter General Membership Meeting minutes

A. December 2025 BoD Meeting Minutes and 2025 3rd Quarter General Membership Meeting minutes were reviewed and will be published as revised.

III. Treasurer's Report: Mark Hendrickson

A. The balance in the checking account is $9,745.

B. We were are a couple of thousand dollars ahead of the same time last year.

C. The average dance attendance was 21.

D. Jack will watch for emails from the National Fast Dance Association and the ACSC.

E. It was suggested to change the heading in the Treasurers Report from Ice Cream Social to Theme Dances.

F. National Fast Dance $345.80 estimate is based on 910 people in 2025 at $0.38/person.

G. Regarding a check written to Mark: Jack reviewed the expenses and signed the check.

H. Jack volunteered to cover the desk and write the checks to Elks & the DJs on January 15.

I. The December 2024 Check for $140 was never cashed. The amount will be added back to the treasury.

J. It was suggested moving the cost of the Spirit of Shag award from Office Supplies to another category.

IV. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Audit: Linda Zerden, Chair

B. Charity and Fundraising: Vacant.

C. Dance Committee: Pamela Alfano, Chair

1. Vaughn & Cathy will teach the Elvis dance move at the January 8 Elvis Birthday dance.
2. Joan expects to teach an intermediate lesson in February. There will be no 7:30 beginner lesson that night so that the instructors can take her lesson.

D. Membership: Barbara Dent, Chair

1. Members total: 101 members listed. 91 active
2. 10 Outstanding Renewals: 1 from September, 4 from October, 5 from November.

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

1. January 8 – Jack Jones for Elvis birthday dance
2. January 15 – Cathy & Vaughn
3. January 22 – Craig
4. January 29 - Loren

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

1. Liz volunteered to write up a Next Door blurb referencing a recent January Washington Post article saying that dancing is the best way to help prevent Alzheimer's. She will include info about the opportunity to dance with NVSC.

G. Social and Hospitality Committee: Sue Young, Chair

1. Elvis theme dance on January 8.

V. Other Committee Reports:

A. Communications:

1. Facebook – Jack Jones and John Romito. No Report
    a. Jack continues to maintain the page and has posted photos from the Roanoke Shag Club NYE party.
2. Hello Shagger – Kathy Kropat. No Report
3. Shag Rag – Adele Robey. The January Shag Rag has been published.
4. Website – Loren Kropat. No Report

VI. New Business:

A. Our first dance in 2026 will be held on January 8 with the Elvis Theme. Jack will be the DJ and was provided with a list of 10 Elvis songs that we can Shag dance to. Vaughn and Cathy will teach the Elvis Dance Move which should be a short dance lesson. Several board members will bring in Elvis decorations.

B. The Competitive Shaggers Walk of Fame nomination process ends on February 1, 2026. Vaughn has gotten Craig and Heather's approval to submit their nomination.

1. Jack has compiled a video of all of their competition dances.

C. Dick has finalized the Sunday Socials scheduled for 2026. It will start on March 1st. The remaining dates are April 12, May 17, June 14, July 12, August 2, September 13, and October 4th.

1. The October 4 date conflicts with the rain date for the Picnic.
2. We might cancel the October Social because of the Picnic and the Charity Wine Auction.

D. The next cleanup date for the "Adopt a Highway program" will be determined by Dick but probably will not occur until the Spring of 2026.

E. Attendance of our NVSC dance party at the Fall Migration SOS has been decreasing in the last 3 years. Should we continue it? A possible joint party with the Richmond Shag Club has been suggested. Is that something we should think about? If so, I will contact the President of the Richmond Shag club – Mary Echert – to discuss it.

1. Our Tuesday Back-Room-Party at Fat Harold's conflicts with the Richmond Shag Club party. Jack was not able to change our Back-Room-Party to another day.

F. Future look – DJs and Dance Instructors.

1. Craig J is likely to retire soon and is also the Shag DJ in most demand in the Shag community.
2. Dance Instructors needed - Train and bring on a few new folks to help.

G. Jack will ask Adele to represent him at the Mid-Winters ACSC meeting.

H. Kathy will send the Board members a list of possible venues for the Joint BBC Dance.

VII. Old Business:

A. Our Holiday party that occurred on December 11 had over 50 attendees, delicious food, and fantastic music played by DJ Craig Jennings. Thanks to all who brought and set up the Holiday decorations for the event. **The club honored our ever-present dance instructor**, **election committee chair**, **friend and fellow dancer Tom Brett with the** "**Spirit of Shag Award**" **as a token of our appreciation for all he has done over the many years and continues to do for our club**.

VIII. Other Announcements:

A. Next Board meeting: February 2, 2026 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

IX. The meeting was Adjourned at 8:18pm

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.
Misc. Socials at The Revolution, Clare & Don's 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 – 3rd Quarter 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

2026 Event record

January 8—Elvis Birthday dance