

NSHS Board of Trustees Meeting

October 23, 2026 – 3:00 PM

Nebraska State Historical Society – Dr. Don Gerlach Capitol View Room
1500 R Street. Lincoln, NE 68508

Virtual Link: <https://tinyurl.com/5c39z8nv>

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Agenda

The Nebraska State Historical Society Board of Trustees may take items out of order.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (Bob Wickersham, Board President)
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION – NOTIFICATION OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT**
 - a. A notice of this meeting was published on the NSHS website from October 1, 2026 thru October 23, 2026.
 - b. This meeting complies with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.
 - c. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available on the wall.
4. **REMINDER OF THE NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MISSION**

Nebraska State Historical Society collects, preserves, and opens to all the histories we share.
5. **OPPORTUNITY for PUBLIC QUESTIONS and COMMENTS**
6. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. July 17, 2026 Minutes – ACTION
 - b. September 2, 2026 Meeting Note Review – Comments only, no action needed
7. **APPOINTMENT of CATHRON COLE O’CONNOR to FILL FIRST DISTRICT, ELECTED OPEN POSITION for REMAINDER of WALTER’S TERM, DEC. 2028 – ACTION**
8. **NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT**
 - a. Presentation 2027 Slate of Officers
 - b. Election of Officers - ACTION

9. BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS

10.HERITAGE HEROS REPORT

- a. Update application process from physical mailing to online form on website.
- b. Proposed recognition addition – after award presentation, publish in Nebraska History Magazine with high res photo and short bio as well as on the website.

11.AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT TO WORK WITH NSHSF TO PROMOTE THE WORK AND MISSION OF NSHS- ACTION

12.EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation Director's Report (Leslie Fattig, NSHSF Director)
- b. Nebraska State Historical Society Director's Report (Chris Goforth, Director of Operations)

13. PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2027

- a. First Quarter 2027 – Friday, January 22, 2027 in Lincoln, NE and Virtual
- b. Second Quarter 2027 – Friday, April 16, 2027 in Lincoln, NE
- c. Third Quarter 2027 – Friday, July 16, 2027 in Lincoln, NE
- d. Fourth Quarter 2027 – in Lincoln or Omaha, NE Date TBD
- e. Annual Members Meeting – in Lincoln or Omaha, NE Date TBD

14. NEW BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION – Date & Time TBD. Virtual Meeting. Trying to plan a combined orientation of both NSHS procedures and the NSHS Foundation.

15. OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

16. ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

17. OTHER BUSINESS & TRUSTEES ROUNDTABLE

18. ADJOURNMENT