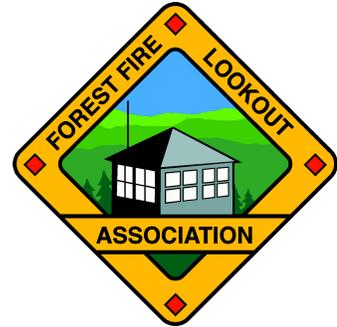


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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING JANUARY 25, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mike Guerin via Zoom. In the absence of the Secretary, he called the roll. (Roll call attendance attached.)

A review of the Executive Committee meetings was brief as these are well covered in the magazine. No one asked any questions or made any comments.

The Treasurer presented his report and proposed budget for the organization. After discussion it was moved, seconded and approved. (Budget attached.)

Rob Hoeye presented the election report. With just over 60% of eligible voters responding, the incumbents (including the interim SW Deputy) were elected to a new term of office. The Chair expressed his gratitude to Rob, on behalf of the organization.

An update on the NHLR Enhancement Project was presented by Jason Johns. Essentially there are several things underway at once, and more to come. He and others are currently working on the details and process for the existing information to be moved to an updated platform. Mike and Keith are working on an MOU regarding ownership and management issues. Keith and his firm currently control NHLR and FFLO. Eventually each Director will be asked to work toward checking the accuracy of data for each state. Jason feels that a "new" NHLR can be ready before the next annual meeting.

Gary and Mike discussed the National Interdisciplinary Lookout Conference coming the first week in April at the University of Idaho in Moscow and co-sponsored by FFLA. Michael Decker, the conference host and organizer, has expressed a concern that there have been few requests to speak this year, so the deadline for submittals may be extended. Gary and Mike said that this is a worthwhile event and highly recommended attendance.

The 2026 Western Conference was the next topic and John Hearing presented his conference proposal and tentative schedule. It will be held the last weekend of September in Cle Elum, Washington. The proposal was approved after a motion and a second.

Mike noted that the San Bernardino group (Southern California Mountains Foundation) had expressed an interest in hosting the 2027 Western Conference. No one has yet expressed an interest in hosting the 2026 Eastern Conference.

Open discussion essentially covered many of the points submitted in individual Director's reports.

Mike mentioned that he needed to be reminded to call for motions, seconds and votes, despite the fact that this is a very agreeable group.

Meeting adjourned.

FFLA Roll Call 01/25/2026

Director	2025 Report	2026 Meeting
AL/MS/LA Jason Johns		X
AR/OK/TX Maria Schleidt	X	
AZ Jane Croxen	X	X
CA No Jon Aronson	X	X
CA Pac Chris Rivera		
CA Sierra Jeff Baggett		X
CA So Scott McClintock	X	
CO/UT Kathryn Lindquist	X	X
FL Mark Voykovic		
GA/SC Mike Finch	X	X
ID No/MT Gary Weber	X	X
ID So Luke Channer		
IN/IL/MO Teena Ligman	X	X
KY Danny Blevins		
ME Bill Cobb	X	X
MA/RI/CT Jack Kelley		
MN David Quam		
NC E Mark Haughwout	X	X
NC W Peter Barr		
NH Chris Haartz	X	X
NJ Ray Grimes/Bob Wolff	X	X
NM Dixie Boyle	X	
NY Laurie Rankin	X	X
OH Vacant		
OR Vacant		
PA/MD/DE Dan Bubnis	X	X
SD/WY Dixie Boyle	X	
TN Bill Ulmer	X	
VA/WV Krissy Reynolds	X	
VT Peter Hayes	X	X
WA John Hearing	X	X
WI Richard Ellis	X	X
AU Paul Jones		
CANADA Vacant		

Officers		
Chair Michael Guerin		X
Dep E Mark Haughwout		X
Dep S Ron Stafford		X
Dep NW Kyle Stetler	X	X
Dep SW Scott McClintock		
Sec Ray Grimes		
Treas Gary Weber		X
Archiv Jason Johns		X
Appointed Positions		
Liaison Keith Argow		X
Social Media Kyle Stetler/Sam Duffey		X
Elections Rob Hoeye		X

2026 FFLA Budget				
		Proposed	Approved	
			1/25/2026	
<i>Income</i>				
Balance Forward		\$40,228.06	\$40,228.06	
Dues		\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00	
Donations		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
Chapter Grants/Donations (Pass-Through)		\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	
Merchandise Sales		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Interest		\$3.00	\$3.00	
	Total	\$88,231.06	\$88,231.06	\$88,231.06
<i>Expenses</i>				
Publication		-\$22,000.00	-\$22,000.00	
Chapter Distributions		-\$2,400.00	-\$2,400.00	
Brochure Cost		-\$2,000.00	-\$2,000.00	
Restoration Grants		-\$20,000.00	-\$20,000.00	
Emergency Stabilization Grants		-\$500.00	-\$500.00	
Chapter Grants/Donations (Pass-Through)		-\$10,000.00	-\$10,000.00	
Insurance		-\$3,500.00	-\$3,500.00	
Merchandise Cost		-\$2,200.00	-\$2,200.00	
Operations		-\$200.00	-\$200.00	
History/Archive/Preservation		-\$300.00	-\$300.00	
Websites (FFLA and NHLR)		-\$4,000.00	-\$4,000.00	
	Total	-\$67,100.00	-\$67,100.00	-\$67,100.00
Year-end Balance		\$21,131.06	\$21,131.06	\$21,131.06