



GIRL SCOUTS OF CONNECTICUT, INC.

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MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Corporation

April 30, 2008

Crowne Plaza, Cromwell

Number of Delegates Present: 60 elected Regional Delegates and 13 members of the Board of Directors.

Meeting called to order by Peggy Jerrell, Chair, at 7:10 p.m.

Carrie Witt, Secretary, confirmed a quorum was present. A quorum, according to the Bylaws, consists of one-fourth of the voting members of the corporation who shall be present in-person to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, provided that a majority of the Regions shall have at least two elected Delegates present at each meeting. Present at the meeting were two-thirds of the voting members and at least two elected Delegates from all eight Regions.

Jackie Bennett, Chair of the Governance Committee, made the motion to amend Article I Section 3 of the Bylaws for Girl Scouts of Connecticut, by striking the words “at the close of the annual meeting at which elections are held,” in the last sentence, and inserting the words “when elected or appointed.” The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. A standing vote indicated that 61 people were in favor of changing the bylaws.

Jackie Bennett, Chair of the Governance Committee, made the motion to ratify the Amendment to change Article 1 Section 3 of the Bylaws. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Wilson Faude, Chair of the Nominating and Development Committee, made the motion to ratify the interim appointment of Officers and members of the Board of Directors for Girl Scouts of Connecticut to continue as the interim officers and members-at-large until the October 1 annual meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Wilson Faude, Chair of the Nominating and Development Committee, made the motion to ratify the interim appointment of members of the Nominating and Development Committee for Girl Scouts of Connecticut to continue as the interim Nominating and Development Committee until the October 1 annual meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Wilson Faude, Chair of the Nominating and Development Committee, made the motion to elect the proposed slate of National Delegates and the Alternate National Delegates for Girl Scouts of Connecticut for a three-year term. The motion was seconded. There was discussion.

Someone questioned why all of the Alternate slots were not filled. Wilson Faude answered that the Committee had accepted as Alternate Delegates those who only had indicated on their application that they were interested in the Alternate position.

There was a question about why Peggy Jerrell, who is the current Board President is on the list of Delegates. Wilson Faude answered that prior to the National Convention Peggy's term would be up, and this would ensure she will be at the convention representing Girl Scouts of Connecticut.

Question: Why were the Bylaws changed in regard to the election of the Delegates, in so far as, the nominations being declared closed? Answer: This is found on page 18, Article 9 of the Bylaws. It was changed because National Delegates are usually voted in at an Annual Meeting and because GSOFCT is not having an Annual Meeting until October 2008 and the Delegates need to meet prior to the National Convention this fall. Therefore the Council had to call a Special Meeting of the Corporation to facilitate a vote to change the bylaws to validate the National and Alternate Delegates. It is a special circumstance, this evening. To make a nomination from the floor, the eligibility of the individuals would need to be established and the written consent of such individuals secured and submitted to the Chair of the Nominating and Development Committee, along with the nominee's qualifications at least ten days prior to the meeting at which the election occurs, therefore there was not enough time before the meeting to effect that process.

Question: If the Council was missing Delegate representatives from a county, why weren't people sought out? Why wasn't the deadline extended? Jennifer Smith Turner answered, "We aggressively sought out candidates and we kept the deadline open and extended the deadline. No additional representatives came forward."

One person opposed the motion. 61 people voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

The Interim Board members, Interim Nominating and Development Committee members, and the National Delegates were rededicated to Girl Scouts of Connecticut.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 8:00 p.m.

People in attendance for the Special Meeting of Corporation

Name	Council Delegate	County/Region
Barrett, Sue	Board	West Hartford
Bennett, Jackie	Board	Fairfield
Deming, Rita	Board	New Haven
Farrar Houel, Adrienne	Board	New Haven
Faude, Bill	Board	Hartford
Fernandez, Barbara	Board	Middlesex
Hayes, Anne	Board	Hartford
Hoffman, Karen	Board	New Haven
Ingraham, Diana	Board	New London
Jerrell, Peggy	Board	West Haven
Sudhakar, Rama	Board	New Haven
Tolliver, Marsha	Board	Hartford
Witt, Carolyn	Board	New Haven
Ambrosio, Jeanne	delegate	Hartford
Bailey, Alyssa	delegate	Fairfield
Bailey, Karen	delegate	Fairfield
Brodeur, Nanette	delegate	Litchfield
Cannella, Linda	delegate	Fairfield

Carroll, Kathy	delegate	New Haven
Carter, Denise	delegate	Middlesex
Cayer-McCarthy, Brenda	delegate	New Haven
Chernak, Jessica	delegate	Waterbury
Corcoran, Diane	delegate	Fairfield
Daguerre-Bradford, Rene	delegate	Hartford
Daly, Aurora	delegate	Litchfield
Day, Carol	delegate	New London
Edmonds, Shermaine	delegate	New Haven
Foell, Diane	delegate	New Haven
Foster, Doon	delegate	Fairfield
French, Sherri	delegate	Tolland
Gaetano, Judy	delegate	New London
Godsey, Anne	delegate	New Haven
Halstrom, Virginia	delegate	Fairfield
Harrington-Huff, Merilis	delegate	Windham
Hartwell, Kathi	delegate	Tolland
Healy, Bridget Erin	delegate	Hartford
Johnson, Sarah	delegate	Fairfield
Jurkiewicz, Ann	delegate	Hartford
Lambert, Tracy	delegate	Windham
Lawrence, Barbara	delegate	Fairfield
Linder, Laura	delegate	Middlesex
Masi, Cheryl	delegate	Bristol/Hartford
McGuff, Cheryl	delegate	Hartford
Mele, Loretta	delegate	Litchfield
Mottolese, Cindi	delegate	Fairfield
Northrip, Maria	delegate	Middlesex
Olson, Nancy	delegate	Hartford
Repole, Marty	delegate	Fairfield
Schneider, Cathy	delegate	Hartford
Shahid, Saba	delegate	New Haven
Siena, Debbie	delegate	New Haven
Slout, Caroline	delegate	Windham
Smith, Ann	delegate	Hartford
Straut-Esden, Ann	delegate	New Haven
Sumner, Barbara	delegate	Fairfield
Tesla, Mary	delegate	New Haven
Thomas, Christine	delegate	Litchfield
Wenz, Karen	delegate	Fairfield
Westervelt, Lorraine	delegate	Fairfield
Wilber, Sue	delegate	New London
Younger, Teresa	delegate	Fairfield
Zimmer, Linda	delegate	Hartford
Buyak, Caroline		
Currier, Alicia		
Decora, Emily		
Deisher, Ginnie		
Deschnow, Lisa		
Ekblaw, Ariel		
Fitzgerald, Mary		
Fitzgerald, Megan		
Fuller, Kathleen		
Gelinas, Kyrra		
Gelinas, Serina		

Genaitis, Kate
Greatsinger, Colleen
Kallan, Jillian
Kelleher, Joseph
Kountz, Amber
Kountz, Dawn
Larkin, Kate
Makonsky, Ashley
Militello, Maria
Miner, Sheila
Morotto, Jessie Leigh
Morotto, Kristine
Nelson, Aubrie
Nelson, Mary
Olson, Candy
Pertillar, Jazzmine
Pertillar, Virginia
Santi, Allison
Santi, Karen
Short, Gisele
Yamamoto, Prescille