



**Board of Directors Annual Meeting Minutes
Saturday, March 7, 2020, 9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**

Board Members in Attendance

Dr. Gretcha Flinn, Chair
Jelynn LeBlanc Burley, 1st Vice Chair
Carrie Gray, 2nd Vice Chair
Annie Uribe Turner, Treasurer
Dr. Sarah Baray
Luis de la Garza
Teri Grubb
Lee Anne Keim
Wendy Kowalik
Lori Johnson Leal
Brian Oley
Erika Prosper
Lea Ream
Maritza Rodriguez
Dr. Sandi Wolff
Angie Salinas, Ex Officio

Attendance by Phone

Gwendolyn Jaramillo
Jay Uribe

**Board Members Absent,
Excused**

Jessica Mobley, Secretary
Cariño Cortez
Roger Graham
Monica Moore-Gonzalez

Girl Board in Attendance

Kayla Isbell, Chair
Monica Cruz
Krishi Kothari
Caroline Medina
Smruthi Shashidhar
Alisha Siddiqui
Grace Simonson
Cassandra Van Alstyne

Girl Board Members Absent

Symantha Noel
Julianna Gutierrez
Claire Mueller
Emily Regner
Isabel Salinas

Staff in Attendance

Angie Salinas, CEO
Jody Hernandez, COO
Blythe Simonson, CFO
Stephanie Finleon Cortez, CDCO
Ed Scott, IT
Leticia Martinez, EA

Call to Order

Chair Dr. Flinn called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Attendance was taken and quorum confirmed.

Girl Board Chair Ms Isbell led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Girl Scout Promise. All Girl Board members in attendance shared their Mission Moment intermittently throughout the meeting.

The following items were presented for approval in the Consent Agenda:

- January 15, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Ms. Gray moved to approve. It was seconded, and the motion carried.

Ms. Martinez conducted an icebreaker.

Chair Update

Dr. Flinn acknowledged success of cookie sales, TopGolf, and winter horse camps. She highlighted the upcoming events including the Celebrations Highest Awards Ceremony. She thanked Board members for continuing service in next term.

CEO Update

Ms. Salinas thanked the outgoing Girl Board Chair and members for their service. She shared highlights of the GSSWT Annual Report including financials, membership, and Gamma Sigma and Girl Genius programs.

She gave update on recent activities and programs including: strategic planning, 2020 cookie program, winter horse camp, recognition awards from USO and National Night Out, Flavor Fest, and the Jeanie Wyatt

Memorial Topgolf event. She discussed upcoming event, staff highlights, get well cards for Mr. Charlie Cheever, and contributions given in memory of Charline McCombs. She thanked everyone for their service.

Attract and Retain a More Diverse Volunteer Base

Ms. Johnson Leal presented the Board Development Committee Report and candidates for 2020-2022 Board of Directors:

- Members at Large
- Board Development Committee

The Board Development Committee recommended the approval of the comprehensive 2020-2022 slate. A motion was made to approve the slate, it was seconded, and the motion carried.

She also presented the candidates for 2020 National Delegates to represent GSSWT at the National Council Session. The Board Development Committee recommended the approval of the comprehensive 2020 delegate slate. A motion was made to approve the slate, it was seconded, and the motion carried.

Dr. Flinn and Ms. Salinas recognized the outgoing 2019-2020 Girl Board and announced new Girl Board Chair.

Ms. Hernandez presented the Volunteer Advisory Committee update. The new Chair is working on equitable representation of council on committee. Committee will be meeting at end of month and have identified 2 immediate priorities: area liaison meetings and operational volunteer policy review.

Increase and Diversify Funding

Ms. Uribe Turner delivered the financial report ending December 2019.

Ms. Gray reviewed the Fund Development report and progress on funding proposals and individual giving. She discussed contributions made in memory of Charline McCombs, matching donor for upcoming Big Give, and donor thank you duty for the Board. She thanked Dr. Wolff for leadership with TopGolf event.

Rationale was given for motion to approve the La Nina Loteria design agreement between Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas and the artist Christina Sosa Noriega in compliance with the council's Conflict of Interest Policy. Mr. Oley moved to approve the motion. It was seconded, and the motion carried.

Provide Engaging Programs for Girls

Ms. Hernandez provided the Property report, giving an update on the three council properties:

- Camp La Jita- a progress report of renovations from recent year was given. Phase 1 is now complete. Ms. Salinas recognized Ms. Keim for her assistance. Committee will be reviewing State Antiquities Landmark draft nomination to submit.
- SCGSLC Backyard- Discovery session and follow up meeting was hosted with Studio Outside. A draft of master plan is in progress for committee review.
- WSGSLC- Update was given on talks with Edgewood ISD regarding property and lease. Committee task group is also investigating other options for locations in area.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

Adjourn

The board adjourned at 11:33 a.m.