



## **Delegate/Alternate Delegate Volunteer Position Description**

**Term:** Delegate/Alternate: One year, January 1 – December 31

**Purpose:** As a “Voting Member,” as defined in Section 1.3 of the Girl Scouts of Connecticut’s bylaws, delegates/alternate delegates shall attend Membership meetings and have a vote with respect to the election of Directors-at-large, Elected Officers, Board Development Committee members, and National Council Delegates. Delegates are the communication link between Connecticut’s girls, volunteers, and Board of Directors.

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Attend the annual meeting and special meetings of the Corporation and additional Membership meetings;
2. Elect directors-at-large of the Board of Directors, elected officers of the Corporation, members-at-large of the Board Development Committee, and delegates to the National Council of GSUSA;
3. Amend the Corporation’s certificate of incorporation and bylaws;
4. Be informed on the point of view of the group which one represents; acquire a council-wide perspective; and be prepared to vote for the good of the council, after studying and hearing discussion of the issues;
5. Participate in strategic planning as directed by the Board of Directors;
6. Initiate, review and submit proposals from the membership to the Board of Directors in a timely manner;
7. Advise the Board of Directors on proposed plans, policies and other matters referred to the Membership by the Board of Directors;
8. Report on Board decisions and actions, and other policy influencing matters to Service Unit constituency;
9. Respond to requests by the Board Development Committee;
10. Bring Membership concerns and special knowledge to the Board of Directors through the Second Vice Chair;
11. Be responsible for learning all aspects of the position by attending appropriate trainings;
12. Facilitate feedback from the Service Unit on other business as may, from time to time, come before the Voting Members of the Corporation.

### **Qualifications:**

1. Registered member of the GSOFCT, fourteen years of age or older;
2. Maintain up-to-date membership in good standing;
3. Supports Council goals, policies and objectives;
4. Embraces and understands the role of governance in Girl Scouting;
5. Ability and willingness to research and understand issues impacting girls’ lives in the assigned Service Unit and across the state;
6. Is aware and accepting of religious, educational, racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups within the community;
7. Is committed to organization diversity;
8. Demonstrates good communication skills, sound judgment and objectivity when analyzing issues and participating in decision-making;
9. Ability to fulfill time commitment;
10. Should have access to electronic communication and long distance telephone.