



Delegate Position Description

Term: 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 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, additional Membership meetings, and delegate trainings;
2. Elect directors-at-large of the Board of Directors, elect 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 that may, from time to time, come before the Voting Members of the Corporation.

Qualifications:

1. Registered member of GSUSA, fourteen years of age or older;
2. Maintains 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 organizational 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.



Alternate Delegate Position Description

Term: One year, January 1 – December 31

Purpose: An alternate delegate, as defined in Section 1.4 of the Girl Scouts of Connecticut's bylaws, shall attend Membership meetings and have a vote in the absence of the delegate, with respect to the election of Directors-at-large, Elected Officers, Board Development Committee members, and National Council Delegates. Alternate 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, additional Membership meetings and trainings;
2. 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;
3. Participate in strategic planning as directed by the Board of Directors;
4. Be responsible for learning all aspects of the position by attending appropriate trainings;
5. Facilitate feedback from the Service Unit on other business that may, from time to time, come before the Voting Members of the Corporation.
6. Perform the duties of the delegate if for any reason the delegate is unable to perform her/his duties.

Qualifications:

1. Registered member of GSUSA, fourteen years of age or older;
2. Maintains 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 organizational 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.