

Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois, Inc.
2011 2nd Avenue
Rock Island, IL 61204

MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, January 17, 2008

The Board of Directors of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois met on Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. via telephone conference.

PRESENT: Denise Bulat, Beth Freeman, Mary Lagerblade, Kim Armstrong, Jim Vermazen, John Lohman, Julie Winkler, Ann Menke, Deb Oliver, Barb Anderson, Ann Hutchinson, Mary Ann Brown, Candace Arp, Marilynne Field, Heather Prendergast, Pat Keir, Ann Menke .

Staff: Doug Nelson, Diane Nelson, Kathy Pinger, Kim Hull, Donna Logan, Joyce Vance.

ABSENT: Bill Leaver, Lametta Wynn, Christine Grant, Carolyn Haupert, Harry Coin, Melissa Hillman, Amy Olson, Teresa Colgan, Christine Grant, Danielle Gibbs, Michel Stone, Jennifer Waldron, Lu Barron

CONSENT AGENDA:

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. Quorum was met.

Minutes – Minutes from the November 15, 2007 board meeting were presented.

A motion was made by Beth Freeman and seconded by Pat Keir to approve Consent Agenda items. MOTION CARRIED.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Introductions –
Board Chair, Mary Lagerblade had everyone in attendance introduce themselves.

Minute for the Mission -
As the meeting was held via telephone, Julie Winkler offered to present her report at the March 20, 2008 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

SECRETARYS REPORT :

There was no correspondence to report on at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT :

Doug Nelson presented the financial reports for October, November and December 2007.

A motion was made by Gloria Frost and seconded by Ann Menke to approve the reports as presented.

The motion carried.

FUND DEVELOPMENT

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Joyce Vance gave a presentation on the year end appeal. 5300 letters were sent out and more than \$11,000 was received. The average donation was \$119.00

The Waterloo Commit to a Girl program, November 29, had more than 100 in attendance and raised approximately \$4000.00

Joyce went over several of the upcoming fund raising events and encourage board participation by attending and by being a table host.

A request for the return of all pledge cards was made. As well as asking for more members to the Fund Development Committee.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Denise Bulat reported on the accomplishment of several immediate needs that were approved at the November meeting. These projects came in under budget due to a donation from a donor in Dubuque as well as due diligence by the staff.

Due to cash flow, several large projects have been postponed until spring when the cookie sale revenue is available.

In February or March, the property committee will be meeting with Glen Shin, a GSUSA property planner. He will provide direction in prioritization and budget projection based on GSUSA standards.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE REPORT

Kim Hull provided several handout and spoke to the Town Hall meeting coming up in February. There are six meetings being held throughout the council area. Board members were encourage to attend as it provides great opportunity to meet the volunteers and hear first hand concerns and kudos in the council.

Kim also explained that the Annual Volunteer Recognition program will be held at the Holiday Inn in Coralville on April 12, 2008. The theme is "Magic of Girl Scouts" Volunteers will be recognized for their service and three, \$250.00 scholarships will be presented.

The 51st National Convention will be held the last week of October in Indianapolis. Our council will send 14 delegates, all serving for a three year term. The deadline to be on the delegate slate is February 21. The slate will be approved by the board at the March 20, 2008 meeting.

Discussion was held on how the delegate slate would be decided and how a special meeting could be set up for voting on the delegates. Further discussion will take place between several committee members and board members as to the specifics outlined in the by-laws.

It was also noted that Board Members are eligible to be delegates. speaking girls.

CEO REPORT:

Diane Nelson, CEO for the Girls Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois shared general information on membership and product sales.

We are currently at 15,300 girls in the council. Our year ending goal is 21,000. Our goal was to have 15,000 girls selling cookies in January, 2008.

However, of that number, 1500 are Daisy's and they are not able to sell cookies this year. Due to the lower than expected number of girls selling cookies this year, the revenue projects may be under goal.

COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT:

Mary Lagerblade noted that staff participation in the annual giving program was at 100%. She encouraged the board to meet that percentage. She thanked those who has already given.

Video conferencing is being researched by a staff member and a report will be given at the March meeting.

The board was reminded that they need to be currently registered Girl Scouts in order to serve on the board. Kathy Pinger will send out a membership registration form to all board members not currently registered.

The floor was opened to questions.

The next Board meeting is March 20, 2008 in Cedar Rapids.

At 6:10 a motion was made by Beth Freeman and seconded by Heather Prendergast to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Pinger
Administrative Assistant

Handouts:

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Financial Reports for October, November, December, 2007

Town Hall Meeting Schedule

National Convention flier