

## **Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Board of Directors Meeting – March 24, 2014**

The GMISTS Board of Directors met via teleconference for their meeting. The board meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Becker-Witt and a quorum was present.

### Board Action Items:

- Accepted John Ferguson's resignation
- Approved January 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes
- Approved GSMISTS Board Level Adult Awards

### Reports

- Board Chair Mary Becker-Witt reported that the annual CEO review has been completed and reviewed by the Executive Committee.
- Governance and Bylaw Task Group update was given by Verna George.
  - The terms "good standing" regarding council delegates was clarified.
  - A girl delegate's term length was addressed.
  - The Proposed Bylaw Changes were reviewed and approved by the board.
- Property Task Group update was given by Cindy Ranshaw.
  - The Property Task Group Report Recommendation was presented to the board.
  - It was determined that the full report will be reviewed by the Board of Directors with the Property Task Group at the board's June 2014 retreat.
- 2014 Annual Meeting Workbook
  - The 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes, the Annual Meeting Standing Rules, and the Meeting Standing Rules Frequently Asked Questions (RFQs) were reviewed and approved by the board.
- Finance Report was given by Gail Montgomery, Treasurer.
  - Review of current Financial Statements was given; investment revenue is positive while sales were slightly behind budget.
  - Ed Bueche, VP of Finance & Operations, gave a brief update on the audit. The audit should be completed in the near future, before the annual meeting. A special board meeting will be called to review and accept the audit when it is completed.
- Cookie company update
  - The Board approved that GSMISTS retain Little Brownie Bakers as GSMISTS cookie baker for the next three years (2015, 2016, and 2017).
  - The Board Chair will announce the selection of Little Brownie Bakers to the membership at the 2014 GSMISTS Annual Meeting.
  - The Board Chair stated her appreciation for the volunteers who participated in and made their recommendations regarding the cookie baker selection.
  - The Board approved an increase in cookie prices to \$4.00 per box, effective next year.

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- Board Development Committee Update was given by Linda Zizos, Chair, Board Development Committee.
  - The 2014 GSMISTS Board of Directors Slate, the 2014 GSMISTS Board Development Committee Slate, and the 2014-2017 GSMISTS National Council Delegate Slate was presented to the Board on behalf of the Board Development Committee.
- CEO Update was given by Gloria Lara, CEO.
  - As of the Board meeting date, girl membership is nearly 9,500 girls, nearly 300 girls over last year at this time.
  - Adult membership is over 3,600 adults, almost 200 more than last year at this time.
  - As a Fund Development update, the results of the Badge Bash event in Grand Rapids was reported.
  - Fund Development has scheduled alumnae brunches for Grand Rapids, Muskegon, and Traverse City.
  - Gloria reminded the Board of the Michigan State Income Tax check off box designation for Girl Scouts.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

Mary K Becker-Witt  
Board Chair  
Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore