GSEMA National Council Delegate Volunteer Position Description

Reports to: Board Chair and President

Required Training: Orientation provided

Term of Appointment: Three-year term, elected at the GSEMA Annual Meeting

Key Duties and Responsibilities

National Council Delegates are elected by the voting body of the council at GSEMA's Annual Meeting and serve a term of three years. They attend all meetings of the National Council Session (NCS) and report back to council membership regarding the outcomes of the session.

National Council Delegates are voting members of GSEMA authorized to:

- Elect, as set forth in the Council bylaws, the officers of the council (except the Chief Executive Officer); the members at large of the Board of Directors; the members of the Board Nominating and Development Committee; and the delegates and the persons to fill vacancies among delegates to the National Council of Girl Scouts of the USA, at GSEMA's Annual Meeting
- Elect the National Board of Directors and National Board Development Committee
- Amend the Constitution, Bylaws and Policies of GSUSA
- Act on proposals presented at the National Council Session
- Influence the strategic direction of the Girl Scout Movement by providing guidance to the National Board
- Serve as a positive role model to girls and adults by acting with integrity and adhering to the Girl Scout Promise and Law
- Serve as an ambassador for the Girl Scout mission by maintaining a positive attitude that reflects the acceptance of the mission and goals of GSUSA and GSEMA while working collaboratively with GSEMA staff partners

Prior to National Council Session:

- Attend orientation, training, and other preparation meetings and webinars provided by GSUSA and GSEMA
- Study all business items on the agenda, background information, and recommendations of the National Board of Directors to become knowledgeable about the measures to be considered
- Obtain a broad view of the opinions of Girl Scout members from all regions of the council by attending or conducting meetings or using other information gathering methods (such as surveys) to obtain input from the membership
- Engage in opportunities to discuss, learn, and share ideas across the Movement

While attending the National Council Session:

- Attend all business meetings and participate in the proceedings
- Be fully prepared to discuss and act on all business items
- Participate in floor debates as needed



Upon returning from National Council Session:

- Report on the National Council Session outcomes and the reasons for all decisions to the Board of Directors and the council's constituency, if requested
- Participate in meetings, webinars, audio/videoconferences, surveys and other opportunities for voting council members
- Assist the council as it prepares to participate in the next National Council Session, if requested
- Vote at GSEMA's Annual Meeting through term end

Qualifications:

- Registered member of Girl Scouts, a citizen of the United States of America, and fourteen (14) years of age or over at the time of election
- Demonstrate ability to think strategically, act wisely as a member of a deliberative body setting broad direction, and focus on the future of the Girl Scout Movement
- Analyze issues from a national, as well as a council, perspective, mindful that decisions have both local and national implications
- Demonstrate experience in policy-influencing and policy-making positions
- Agree to the responsibilities and duties listed in the Online Volunteer Agreement
- Accept the Girl Scout commitment to work with all without regard to age, race, ethnicity/culture, country of origin, religion, language, socio economic status, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, neurodiversity, ability or political affiliation
- Demonstrate dependability, honesty and credibility
- Actively involved and knowledgeable about Girl Scouts
- Adult delegates must pass CORI/SORI background checks prior to volunteer service