

**Girl Scouts of Greater Mississippi
Board of Directors Meeting Conference Call
Tuesday, March 28, 2023, 10:00 am**

Members in Attendance: Henry Michel, Jennifer Hall, Betty Mallett, Meredith Aldridge, Dan Robinson, Charlotte Seals, Cindy Hollingsworth, Lauren McGraw, Barbara Travis, Connie Moran, Laura Hearn, Pam Ware and Kearn Cherry.

Members Absent: Ron Mumbower, Robin Robinson, Mary Hill, Tina Lakey, Sarah Palmer, Janice Brown, Janice Touchstone and Kathy Northington.

GSGMS staff members: Becky Traweek, Pam Britt and Sarah Edwards.

The meeting was opened at 10:06 by Jennifer Hall, standing in for Robin Robinson.

Minutes: The minutes of the January, 2023 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Betty Mallett to accept the minutes as presented. It was seconded by Pam Ware. Motion passed unanimously.

CEO Report

Becky delivered the CEO report which is included in the meeting packet.

We ended the cookie season on a very positive note. Although there were supply issues with the bakery again this year, we began reaching out to other councils for any surplus they had and were able to get cookies from them for the final two weeks of the sale. We ended with our second-best cookie season ever. We repaid the Regions short term loan for early payment to the bakery for the cookies, saving the council \$7500. This puts us in a great cash position. We will be opening new bank accounts to spread the cash around.

We are working on Camp Iti Kana, using the proceeds of the insurance claim from the tornado. We are adding air conditioning to Dogwood unit, new bunk beds, along with new doors and windows.

The annual meeting is April 22 and will be held through a zoom call. On May 2 at 10 am, we will have a brief call to elect new officers.

We are working on updating the employee handbook. We will send it to the board as soon as it is done.

We are still working on our American Camping Association accreditation for our camps.

Finance Report

Pam Britt reported that we had a great cookie season. We are opening new accounts for funds over \$250,000 to stay with FDIC insured amounts. Pam reviewed the other financial reports in the packet for January (February is almost complete), noting that the financial picture will look much stronger in March.

A motion was made by Laura Hearn to accept the financial report. It was seconded by Meredith Aldridge. It passed unanimously.

COO Report

Sarah delivered the COO report which is included in the meeting packet. We are at 102% percent of our membership goal.

Property Report

Dan Robinson reported that there has been no committee meeting recently, but there will be one soon. There are some issues that need addressing. New carpet and flooring is needed at the Jackson office. The carpet in the office now is very old. The parking lot at the Jackson office has been patched many times. It badly needs a 2-inch overlay. Discussion was also had about continuing the driveway in the back of the office to come all the way around the building. It will make cookie pick up time much easier on the volunteers and safer for everyone. We may look at an office space with more visibility when interest rates are better, but in the meantime, we need to keep what we have in good working order.

Executive Committee –

The committee met to discuss opening additional bank accounts to keep cash deposits within FDIC insured amounts. Betty Mallett moved that the board approve of the new accounts. No second needed as the motion came from a committee. The motion passed unanimously. Pam Ware volunteered to guide and inform Becky and

Pam on the new accounts and look at an option where the funds would be insured with the same bank.

There was no new business.

Charlotte Seals made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Dan Robinson.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 am.