

Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois, Inc
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MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
January 28, 2010

The Board of Directors of Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois met on Thursday, January 28, 2010 at the Holiday Inn and Conference Center in Coralville, Ia.

Present: Candace Arp, Theresa Dunkin, Julia O'Donnell, Pat Keir, Michel Stone, Deb Oliver and Denise Bulat, Mary Ann Brown, Ann Hutchinson, Dave Vandeventer, Dave Emerick, Sue Evans, Erin Bolinger, Shawn Ryan, Lee Mowers, Sally Dickey, Amanda Malin and Kaylyn Parker.
Staff: Diane Nelson, Kathy Pinger, Gene Averhoff, Allison Johnson, Nikki Habben, Joanne Wzontek, Nancy Renkes and Doug Nelson and Sheila Ruland.

Absent: Teresa Colgan, Carolyn Hauptert, Amy Olson, Gloria Frost, Ann Menke, Bill Leaver, Mary Lagerblade, Kim Armstrong, Donnelle Fuerste, and Larry Cremer.

Welcome & Introductions:

First Vice Chair, Deb Oliver, gave a welcome to our board. New board members were presented and our guest, Frank Ludgate was introduced.

Consent Agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 4:35. Quorum was met.
A motion was made by Michel Stone to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting. Pat Keir seconded and the motion was passed.

An amendment to the 403B to bring it into compliance due to government regulations was presented. A motion was made and seconded and the motion.

New Business:

Secretary's Report:

Deb Oliver reported that Beth Freeman had submitted her resignation. Beth is moving from the area. A motion was made by Mary Ann Brown to accept the resignation. Theresa Duncan offered a second and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Frank Ludgate, from Doyle & Keenan, P.C. went over the annual audit findings. A motion was made by the finance committee to approve the audit. Theresa Dunkin seconded and the motion passed.

Lee Mowers presented the financial reports for October, November and December, 2009. His reports were opened to discussion. The financials reflected the installation of a new phone system throughout the council, an increase in cookie revenue, a down turn in United Way funding, operating costs were down and we ended in the positive. The finance committee made a motion to accept the financials as reported. Shawn Ryan seconded and the motion passed.

Product Sales

Nikki Habben presented information about the cookie companies and the contract that we plan to sign. We will sign with ABC Bakers due to discounts and overall pricing.

Discussion:

Strategic Learning

Allison Johnson reported on a trip to Macy's that she, Diane and Mary Lagerblade had taken in December regarding Strategic Learning. Deb Oliver also explained the importance of an overall strategic plan based on the GSUSA plan. All councils will be going through this process focusing on Program; Volunteerism, Brand; Funding; Organizational Structure and Governance

Allison handed out an outline of the information the strategic team will be looking for and presenting. She encouraged board members to become a part of the team that will be researching the challenges and opportunities within our organization. The members of the strategy team will have a significant role in determining what will take GSEIWI from "Good to Great" The team will consist of 25 members – including community leaders, board members and staff.

The board members broke out into three break-out sessions and began discussion on identifying key focus areas that could help direct the core strategic learning team.

*Attached is a list of the items that were discussed.

A schedule for the planning meetings of the Strategic Learning Team were provided to board members Those who are interested and willing to make the commitment should contact Allison or Diane.

CEO Report

Copies of the Conflict of Interest Statement were provided to all new members and to any board member who did not have a current copy on file.

Diane reported that membership numbers are up over this time last year. Four of our areas are already over their annual goal.

Diane encouraged board participation in the Strategic Learning Process to create and implement break-through strategies that drive continuous adaptation rather than a one-time change.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mary Ann Brown to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. Dave Emerick seconded and the meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted:

Kathy Pinger, Administrative Assistant

Enclosures:	Financials	Strategic Planning Information
	403 B Amendment	Council Scorecard
	Minutes from 10-15-2009	Strategic Learning Team Meetings