



Job Description
Ex-officio Girl Members
Board of Directors

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Summary of Governance Accountabilities for Ex-officio Girl Members of the Board of Directors

- Understand, accept and interpret the philosophy and purpose of Girl Scouting.
- Function as one body in deliberations.
- Maintain the confidentiality of board work until such time as it is released for general information. Support and interpret board actions as necessary.
- Carry out its major responsibilities through strategic leadership and direction, stewardship of Girl Scouting.
- Determine and support the vision of Girl Scouting.
- Participate in annual meetings as members of that body.
- Ensure and maintain an understanding of demographic, cultural, social and economic trends and their implications for Girl Scouting.
- Attend board meetings; carry out assignments and prepare for active participation.
- Work in collaboration with the Board Chair and Board Development Chair to assess and evaluate Board performance.

Accountabilities

Stewardship of Girl Scouting:

- Develop and maintain a culture of transparency. Build trust and involve a wider group of constituents in decision-influencing as appropriate.
- Ensure knowledge and understanding of national, regional and local demographic and social trends affecting Girl Scouting as it pertains to the Board's work.
- Promote the mission and Girl Scout brand.
- Serve as trustees of the Girl Scout values and principles.
- Establish policies necessary for the development and advancement of Girl Scouting in the council's jurisdiction.
- Register as a member of the Girl Scout Movement.
- Promote accessibility to Girl Scouting for all girls in the council's jurisdiction.
- Provide active leadership to promote diversity and ensure pluralism.

Strategic Leadership and Direction:

- Articulate the mission and philosophy of Girl Scouting.
- Identify the capacity of the organization to fulfill the mission.
- Ensure an effective democratic process that maintains channels of communication between registered members and the Board of Directors.
- Ensure that the council is positioned in the community to achieve the maximum benefit for all girls.