



December 2020 Governance Bulletin

The Governance Bulletin is shared with all Service Unit Delegates on file, Girl Delegates, Girl Advisors to the Board of Directors, GSEP Board Members, GSEP Board Development Committee Members, NCS Delegates, and Service Unit Managers.

Dear Delegate Council,

Happy Holidays! As this challenging year comes to a close, we hope that 2021 brings you & yours much prosperity, health, and peace!

[2020 National Council Session Recap](#)

Missed the 2020 NCS? Interested in what was decided for our Movement during the triennial meeting? Check out [GSUSA's recap](#), including the [votes on the proposals and the new National Board members](#). Plus, watch the [video of the keynote address from our new National Board President, Karen Layng](#), as she steps into her new role.

GSEP's NCS Delegation will be sharing more about the experience during the Spring Delegate Council Meeting on March 22.

[Deadline for Girl Governance Applications for MY22 is January 22, 2021!](#)

Girls! Are you ready to raise your voice, learn how the Council is governed, influence change, and speak up on behalf of girls?

Girls who will be at least 14 years old as of May 1, 2021, can apply to be either a Girl Delegate (30 girls are elected to represent all girls throughout our 9-county footprint) or a Girl Advisor to the Board (3 girls are elected to participate as non-voting members of the Board of Directors).

Apply via this [online application](#); the **due date is January 22, 2021**. Don't wait too long! You will also need at least one reference (to apply for the Girl Delegate position) or two references (to be considered for the Girl Advisor position). References (from teachers, coaches, troop leaders, employers, etc.) are also **due January 22, 2021**.

More info can be found under the Applications tab at the bottom of the [Governance page](#) of the website.

[Nominations/Self-Nominations to the Board](#)

Know anyone who you feel would make an excellent board member? Do you think you would make a good board member?

The Board Development Committee (BDC) works year-round on maintaining and updating a Cultivation list of potential Board and BDC candidates. This includes nominations from our general membership. The deadline to submit a nomination for the BDC to consider this winter is January 11, 2021.

The [form for nominations/self-nominations](#) can be found on the [Governance page](#) under the Applications tab at the bottom.

[Save the Date – Spring Delegate Council Meeting is Monday, March 22](#)

As mentioned above, the Spring Delegate Council Meeting will focus on the 2020 National Council Session. All attendees will also hear about additional governance news from GSUSA and preparations for GSEP's Annual Meeting on May 1.

Please note the date (3/22) and time (7 pm) on your calendars. Registration info will be sent in the March Governance Bulletin.

[Service Unit Delegate Election Result Forms Still Needed from 24 SUs!](#)

Thank you to all the SUMs who have sent in their SU Delegate Election forms so far this year! However, we are still missing forms from about 1/4 of the Service Units.

To hold a Service Unit Delegate Election, each SU must have a meeting where at least 25% of the troops are represented. Just a reminder that girls, 14 years and older, can also serve as SU Delegates (as long as they are not also current Girl Delegates or Girl Advisors to the Board).

Election results (reported via [this form](#)) must be emailed to governance@gsep.org **as soon as possible** (the deadline was August 31). The absolute drop dead deadline to inform the Council about your SU's election of Delegates so that they can vote at this year's Annual Meeting is March 31st.

If you are unsure if you've already sent the form in, please contact Carla Hickey, Director of Governance & Advocacy, at governance@gsep.org .

For more information, please check out the tab at the bottom of the [Governance page](#) entitled "Service Unit Delegate Election Info."

[Want to Catch Up?](#)

Past issues of this year's Governance Bulletins can be found on the [Governance page](#). Check out the tab at the bottom of the page labeled "Past Governance Bulletins."

[GSEP MY21 Governance Calendar](#)

(which can also be found on the [Governance page of the website](#))

Date	Action Item
Monday, January 11, 2021	Deadline to submit nominations or self-nominations for the Board or Board Development Committee (BDC) for the BDC to consider adding to the official slate.

	Check out the “Applications” tab at the bottom of the Governance page for more info.
Friday, January 22, 2021	Deadline for girls to submit applications to be considered for Girl Delegates or Girl Advisors to the Board for the MY22 year
Monday, March 22, 2021 7-9 p.m.	Spring Delegate Meeting <i>Decision regarding location or holding the meeting online will be made later this fall/winter, in accordance with state public health guidelines.</i>
Thursday, April 1, 2021	Official Notice for the 2021 Annual Meeting is mailed to Delegate Council Members
Saturday, May 1, 2021	2021 Annual Meeting

Thank you again for your commitment to Governance excellence here at GSEP!

See you all next year!

As always, if you have any questions or thoughts to share, please do not hesitate to reach out to governance@gsep.org!

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