



CALL to FALL BOARD

You're Invited to our 1st (ever) Virtual FALL BOARD

Your State leadership is excited to 'see' you!

If it's been awhile since you attended a state meeting in person, if you've been dreading leaving the safety and comfort of your own home, or if you've never attended a state meeting and always wanted to, now is your opportunity to join us for our first-ever, virtual Fall Board on Saturday, September 19th! All from the comfort of your own computer or device! Travel to Yakima, or anywhere is no longer a hinderance to

Federation, Friendship, and Fun!

Because this is the Fall Board of Directors meeting (aka Fall Board), we still have state business to attend to. We have Bylaws and Standing Rules to vote on, a Nominating Committee to elect, new CSP's to review, and reports to be heard! Your agenda for the day is on the following page. We will cover a lot of information in a short 2.5 hour meeting.

In order to establish a meeting quorum, we must have registration information from each member who would like to be included. Please complete your form and return to Kim by September 14th. (We encourage you to watch together, discuss, and ask questions as needed but we must have a form for each person.) We will be taking roll call and providing Zoom invitations based on received Registration Forms. Form can be found at the end of this newsletter.

As you are all aware, running our state business requires income and donations! Typically we require a \$35 registration fee for State meetings and have lots of fundraising options available. In this case, **we have reduced the registration fee to \$5** and provided all options for fundraising on the same form! Additionally, you can order a green name badge or make an Endowment Fund memorial or honorarium donation!

The State Administrative Handbook will be reviewed during the meeting, and then posted in its entirety online shortly afterward, minus the redacted personal information. The handbook is provided to all Elected Officers, Board of Directors appointees, Chairman, and Club Presidents. If you would rather have a printed copy of the handbook with all the included information, we ask you to cover postage of \$10.

Not a Board Member or other and want a copy? No problem! ~ \$20 covers printing & postage

Still have questions that aren't answered here? We would be happy to answer them! Send an email to this Clubwoman address (washingtonclubwoman@yahoo.com) and we will get you an answer shortly!

Can't wait to see you on the 19th!!

REACHING FOR RAINBOWS

GFWC-WS FALL BOARD

September 19, 2020

10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Zoom Meeting Agenda

10:00 Call to order – Lela Taylor, GFWC-WS President

Thought for the Day: Jane Cline, Inspiration Chairman

Welcome

Approval of Minutes

Correspondence: Ginger Bowman-Rape, GFWC-WS Secretary

Financial Reports:

Cindy Bassage, GFWC-WS Financial Secretary

Presentation of the 2020-2021 Budget

Kim Skagen – GFWC-WS Treasurer

Linda Butcher – Endowment Trustee

Administrative Secretary Report – Nancy Burdick, Administrative Secretary

Presentation of Bylaw Amendments – Cindy Bassage, Chairman

(Bylaws to be reviewed are included at the end of this newsletter, please have a copy handy!)

Community Service Program & Special Project Chairmen – Bonnie Rail, Dean of Chairmen

CSP Updates

10-Minute BREAK – Stand up, shake out the joints, refill your drinks and regroup!

Resolutions – Bonnie Walden, Chairman

Election of the Nominating Committee – Lela Taylor, President

Membership – Lynn Cline, Chairman

Leadership/LEADS – Sandra Groves, Chairman

GFWC-Washington State Clubwoman Newsletter – Kim Skagen, Editor

District Presidents Report – Dorothy Crowder, GFWC-WS President-Elect

Invitation to the State Convention in Spokane

– Northeastern District, Tami Wright, President

Announcements

- Western States Region Conference – Wyoming Host State – Will be a virtual meeting
Date and Time - TBD
- Reporting dates and special contests are in the GFWC-WS Manual

Collect for Clubwomen – Led by Dorothy Crowder, GFWC-WS President-Elect

12:30 Adjournment

REACHING FOR RAINBOWS

Hello Washington State members ~

We have made it through our first state-wide ZOOM meeting, replacing our in-person Summer Leadership meeting with 47 members attending. We had reports on the changes in the Community Service Programs, a report on the GFWC-WS manual pages, a report on the newsletter articles and due dates and membership ideas. Then we had tech training on ZOOM and other digital platforms. The September Fall Board will also be a ZOOM meeting. No traveling to Yakima required at this time.

As I mentioned at Summer Leadership, I am sending out teddy bears to all the District Presidents for distribution among the clubs. This will help the clubs get started on my President's Project this year. I know it will probably be difficult to personally hand out the teddy bears at the present time, but do the best you can, and don't forget to wear your masks.

I know this is a difficult time for many clubs and districts, as meeting in person creates problems with the 6-foot distance rule and having to wear face masks. We will get through this and in the meantime we have learned a new means of holding meetings with ZOOM. This may be a good opportunity to invite new members to join you since they can meet from their own home.

Look for the Call to Fall Board in the following pages. I encourage everyone to join the meeting that day! Please take the time to register and be counted. We need to make sure we have a quorum to be able to transact business. As you register we will compile an attendance roll. As you might have guessed the agenda will not be as complete as a regular Fall Board. I hope that Spring will allow us to come together and meet in person. I miss seeing you all and have lots of hugs to distribute.

Looking forward to seeing many of you on September 19th. In the meantime, take care and stay healthy. Enjoy the remainder of the Summer working in your communities reaching for rainbows.

Lela J Taylor
GFWC-Washington State
President 2020-2022

**"TO REACH THE RAINBOW...
YOU MUST TAKE CHANCES!"**



Parliamentary Viewpoints



Can your club meet during a public health emergency? Let's see what the bylaws say. The Coronavirus pandemic has brought major changes to our lives. Our clubs, as many other organizations, have had to become creative to take care of business.

The first thing you need to do is read your bylaws. Do they allow you to conduct business for regular meeting by electronic means? Meeting by telephone counts as electronic meetings. If your bylaws allow this, you are set! Continue to do your regular business. However, if your bylaws don't have any allowances for meeting other than the standard face-to-face meeting, you need to make changes.

Dig out your current copy of RONR (Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised) and read pages 97-99, *Electronic Meetings*. It is imperative that you address electronic meetings in your bylaws or else the business you conduct will (1) be in conflict of your bylaws and (2) may be challenged as legal.

The newest copy of RONR will be available in September. My guess is they may have a new section regarding virtual meetings. In the meantime, do the best you can to conduct your business. Use the few weeks of summer left to get started changing your bylaws so come September, when most of our clubs start meeting again, everyone is in compliance with their organization's bylaws. And yes, our Districts need to take a look at their bylaws as well.

The year of 2020 will go down in the history books as the most challenging in decades. I for one, will be happy to see it end. That being said, as clubwomen we have never turned our backs on a challenge. Keep your members busy and engaged, keep working in your community to meet the new challenges they face, and keep your family loved one safe and healthy. We are in this together and we will find our rainbows at the end of all of this.

Nancy Jones
Parliamentary Advisor



Messages from the Executive Board

Club Presidents: Update Your Club's Profile in MemberSuite

During this pandemic, with many states under lockdown orders, many state conventions were postponed or canceled. Although life is on hold while the nation waits for COVID-19 to subside, new club presidents will step into their roles throughout this spring.

As a new club president, or current club president taking on another term, one of the first responsibilities club presidents should take on is making sure that their club profile in MemberSuite is accurate. Club presidents should make sure that the club contact information and number of club members is correct; as an option, you can list your club members. The first step is accessing the Member Portal and creating your profile in MemberSuite.

There are two ways to access the GFWC Member Portal. To read the entire article, with full instructions, in a recent News&Notes [here](#)

Susan Tyler
GFWC-WS Vice President
Counselor to Club Presidents

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[GFWC - Washington](#)



Dues are now DUE!

Its time to collect Club dues and make payments to the State Treasurer! Dues can be paid anytime, but become delinquent December 1. Clubs not paying State dues by December 1st are ineligible for awards and certificates in the Spring. Submit a “[Dues & Contributions](#)” form along with a typed or printed roster of your club members. A club roster must accompany your club dues, send information only for the members who’s dues are being remitted at this time. Roster must include Name, Mailing Address, Email address, Home and/or Cell Phone at minimum so we can assemble a state directory. Please validate all email addresses before submission so I have the most accurate information for sending information emails and the quarterly ClubWoman newsletter.

Regarding the submission of Dues....

If you haven’t collected every member’s due, feel free to remit what you have, then later, when you have completed collecting, you can send an additional “[Dues & Contributions](#)” forms.

Thank you much!

Kim Skagen
GFWC-WS Treasurer



Endowment Fund

Dear GFWC-WS Members...

The GFWC-WS Endowment Fund is BETTER, because of the generosity and caring of many of our members, clubs and districts.

Here's an update on our investments:

- This total CD is valued at \$109,000 and will mature next on June 21, 2021.
- "The World is Ours" Endowment Fund ended June 30, 2020, with a final total of \$4,025.
- "Reaching for Rainbows" will be our 2020-2022 fund with a goal of \$3000.

A reminder... What is an Endowment?

- An endowment is a permanent investment in the future of GFWC Washington State. Endowment funds are invested, rather than used as cash for immediate needs. Only the interest is used for the general fund.
- *An endowment fund has been established by the GFWC – WS through voluntary contributions by clubs and individuals. Income from the investments of this fund shall be used for operational expenses of GFWC – WS. Interest received from the completed funds shall be transferred into the General Fund." (GFWC Washington State Bylaws, Article X – Endowment Fund)*

To remain aligned with the GFWC Washington State "Strategic Plan", our membership needs to use this plan to guide and strengthen the activities of our organization. By using these goals and strategies, our organization will be able to plan efficiently for the future.

By focusing on the achievement of objectives within the "Strategic Plan", we are also charged with working to increase the financial stability of the GFWC Washington State Vision.

It is the responsibility of every GFWC Washington State member to support and promote the visions and objectives as stated in the "Strategic Plan".

The GFWC Washington State Vision also encourages: 1) providing larger scholarships and monetary awards, 2) better use of resources and awareness of a realistic financial plan, 3) increased monetary support of the Endowment and Educational Scholarships.

Why are endowments important? Since the capital cannot be used, the income generated from an endowment is an important source of revenue. Endowed funds create a foundation for fiscal growth and stability, while generating a reliable portion of income for GFWC Washington State.

How is the spendable income used?

The Spendable income from the endowment is used to support the state's direct costs.

Here are some great ways to support the GFWC – WS ENDOWMENT FUND:

Give yearly by providing a line item in your club or district budget, give in honor of a club / district president, honor your Clubwoman of the Year / Jennie Award winners, honor your years of service, or the years of service your club has given to the community, give in memory of a past president, a Veteran, in appreciation for 'What GFWC Means to You'.

Thank you ❤️

Sincerely,

Linda Butcher

GFWC-WS Endowment Trustee



Community Service Programs... CSP's

Hello to all!

Hope you are all staying cool. As I am posting, this past week my "neck of the woods" has had 4 consecutive days of 100°. Burn your biscuits on the sidewalk!

An FYI sent your way for future reference...

The "intent" of a CSP project should be the primary factor in determining where the project is reported at the state level and detailed in a GFWC award entry.



An example of attributing a project by its intent follows: (each project has an art theme but can be reported in any of the five programs depending on its intent)

An art therapy project that emphasizes the therapeutic value of art: **Arts and Culture**

An art therapy project to aid Veterans with PTSD: **Civic Engagement and Outreach**

An animal-themed art therapy fundraiser to benefit endangered animals: **Environment**

An art therapy project that helps special needs children focus attention: **Education and Libraries**

An art therapy project to aid those with addiction and/or depression: **Health and Wellness**

Additional examples and program descriptions can be seen of the following pages. These are meant to inspire your project ideas, not be an inclusive list of what you can do. Both the GFWC and GFWC-WS contact information is on each page. Myself, along with our five 2020-2022 CSP Chairman (below) are here to help you, anytime!

Arts and Culture	Habiba Sadat
Civic Engagement and Outreach	Barbara Murray
Education and Libraries	Kathie Jorgensen
Environment	Beth Juvik
Health and Wellness	Julie Thompson & Cheryl Coon

Hoping the above info is helpful as your club year gears up after the summer. There will be challenges and detours along the way I'm sure. Stay the course my WWW's (Wild Wacky Women...and men)

Bonnie Rail
GFWC-WS Dean of Chairman

... be not just hearers of the word but be as doers



ARTS and CULTURE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Angela Cutrera, Chairman E: angelacutrera1@gmail.com



The study of art and culture enriches the human experience. Art education improves problem solving and critical thinking skills, builds focus and perseverance, and nurtures creativity, confidence, and collaboration. Cultural awareness promotes effective communication and profoundly increases the ability to appreciate and enjoy a variety of new people and experiences.

CHALLENGE PROJECT

Sponsor a Youth Art
Contest during
Youth Art Month
in March.

Affiliate Organizations

(Confirmed as of date of printing)

Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Google Arts & Culture



National
Endowment
for the Arts
arts.gov



Get Inspired with “Grassroots” Projects

- Be creative – design and decorate a garden.
- Help build, paint, and decorate a Little Free Library.
- Host an art supply drive within your club.
- Hold a recycled art contest for art projects made using recycled materials.
- Work with your Chamber of Commerce and/or Tourist Commission to create a map of your community with pictures/drawings and descriptions of historic sites, monuments, and points of interest.
- Make homemade holiday cards for nursing home residents or Meals on Wheels recipients.
- Provide artwork and help decorate a reading nook at the library, a local laundromat, or other location in your community.
- Donate books with an art theme to the public library, a school library, or a Little Free Library.
- Donate seasonal and holiday themed coloring sheets for children at schools and libraries.
- Hold a “Chalk the Walk” contest for elementary school children on sidewalks in front of a municipal building, library, elementary school, or other public venue. Choose a theme and have your club supply the chalk and ribbons for the winners.
- “Hire” student jazz combos, string quartets, or even the whole band to perform at club events.
- Use an artistic event to raise funds to sponsor local community art and cultural programs.
- Feature art or art forms that are indicative of another culture at monthly club meetings—origami, Faberge Eggs, Ukrainian Easter Eggs, Russian icons, and others.
- Host an international dinner party. Choose a country or region as a theme. Decorate and select the meal to fit the theme. Learn about the culture by sharing facts about the area including food, music, lifestyle, etc.
- Volunteer at a school to teach a lesson from your cultural heritage to students. Include information about the food of the culture and provide samples for the students to taste.
- Present a few interesting facts at club meetings to acquaint members to a variety of international, regional, and local cultures.
- Study and compare pottery or fabrics from different areas of the United States and other countries.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

GFWC-WS Chair:

Habiba Sadat habibasadat1@gmail.com

(This list is a brief offering of project ideas. Please visit Club Manual for other grassroots projects and/or programs as well as those with Affiliate Organizations or Resources.)



CIVIC ENGAGEMENT and OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM



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The GFWC Civic Engagement and Outreach Community Service Program reminds GFWC members that each of us is a part of a larger society and is responsible for undertaking actions that will create a better quality of life and foster a sense of community—locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. The four “broad strokes” of this effort include: Citizenship; Crime Prevention, Safety, and Disaster Preparedness; the Needy, Hungry, and Homeless; and Our Military Personnel and Veterans.

CHALLENGE PROJECT

Support and aid
women veterans in
your community.

Affiliate Organizations

(Confirmed as of date of printing)

Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Get Inspired with “Grassroots” Projects

- Engage community on key issues, identify positive solutions, and stimulate public policy initiatives.
- Advocate for civics education in schools, ensuring students acquire an understanding of government.
- Work together to “Get Out the Vote!” Encourage others to register and vote, provide information about early voting or polling location and times, and offer transportation if needed.
- Collaborate with bookstores or libraries to create a prominent display of nonfiction books that commemorate Women’s History Month in March, tell the “herstory” of women’s suffrage, and celebrate the centennial of the 19th Amendment on August 26, 2020.
- Make homes and communities safer by providing information on crime prevention strategies, such as neighborhood/park watches and suspicious activity reports.
- Support and thank local Police and Fire Departments for keeping the community safe.
- Sponsor CPR or first aid classes for moms’ groups, childcare providers, teens, and others.
- Share fact sheets with members and friends, including “The Top Ten Financial Scams Targeting Seniors,” and “Eight Tips for How Seniors Can Protect Themselves from Money Scams.”
- Work with first responders and your local high schools to provide presentations on at-risk driving practices, such as texting and failure to use seat belts.
- Collect socks at club, district, or state meetings and donate this “number one most requested item” to homeless shelters.
- Organize a club day of service at a local food pantry by donating essential goods and sorting and organizing their shelves.
- Work with your local schools to establish “closets” within the schools where clothing, shoes, backpacks, underwear, socks, outerwear, and personal hygiene items are organized and stored for distribution to children in need.
- Organize a winter clothing drive in the fall, collecting, sorting, and cleaning gently used coats, jackets, sweaters, hats, scarves, and gloves.
- Encourage members to research local or national programs that support our military.
- Work with your VA to identify veterans who need household supplies and furniture, employment assistance, educational scholarships, or other help.
- Create awareness about the high rate of suicide among veterans and suicide prevention programs.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

GFWC-WS Chair:

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EDUCATION and LIBRARIES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

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GFWC members promote education in both children and adults. We aim to help others, while we also continue to learn. Projects in the Education Community Service Program are designed to foster schools, as well as other educational institutions and opportunities, and to promote literacy, libraries, and the love of a good book. Through these efforts, we encourage the growth of individuals and communities at home and around the world.

**CHALLENGE
PROJECT**
Support STEM
Programs & Activities
for Special Needs
Students

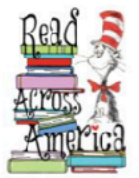
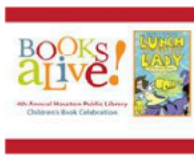
Affiliate Organizations

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Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Get Inspired with "Grassroots" Projects

- Advocate for reading opportunities for children and adults with special needs.
- Establish a scholarship for a local student.
- Support schools, educators, and students with donations of school supplies, playground equipment, or fund field trips for underserved students.
- Become a partner in education with a Title 1 school by volunteering one-on-one time with students or providing take-home snacks for weekends.
- Organize book-themed events, such as a book walk, book fair, book bingo, book drive/swap, book reading challenge, or book club of "reading buddies."
- Plan or sponsor a "Books Alive" program for your community, bringing a favorite children's book to life as a play or puppet show.
- Support your local public library by sponsoring materials and programs for the underserved, disabled, and/or non-native speakers.
- Offer volunteer assistance at the library, by helping library patrons, supporting children's story time, or providing for craft projects.
- Sponsor a community enrichment project at the library such as a Book Character Parade or Literary-themed poster contest.
- Establish a Little Free Library in your community, choosing an area where books are scarce.
- Work with the library to establish a teen advisory board to establish a teen book review, develop teen services, and recommend additional library resources for teens.
- Collaborate with Chamber of Commerce to develop small business services at the library, such as information centers that include a video conference room, staff training workshops, and other resources.
- Consider supporting a library in another part of the world.
- Establish/Support ESO in your state for book study and discussion.
- Participate in the online GFWC ESO reading book club.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

GFWC-WS Chair:

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ENVIRONMENT

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

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The GFWC Environment Community Service Program encourages us to become stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, and beautify our communities and enjoy nature.

**CHALLENGE
PROJECT**
Reduce Plastics Use
Refuse, Reuse,
Repurpose, and
Recycle

Affiliate Organizations

(Confirmed as of date of printing)

Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Get Inspired with "Grassroots" Projects

- Join the Arbor Day Foundation and receive ten free trees to plant or donate ten trees to be planted in a threatened rain forest or one of our National Forests.
- Save trees by initiating a "Go Paperless" campaign.
- Educate members on the dangers of poor air quality, which is the number one cause of premature death around the world.
- Support wetland conservation and learn how wetlands are a deterrent to both flooding and drought.
- Organize a household hazardous waste collection with your local services, to ensure these dangerous materials are disposed of properly.
- Educate club and community members about the importance of pollinators and how to create healthy habitats where they can thrive.
- Provide a program for club and community members that highlights the best native plants for food and cover.
- Advocate for and support regulations that limit light pollution, which is dangerous to nocturnal wildlife and disruptive to ecosystems.
- Learn about ocean wildlife in peril, such as sea turtles and manatees, and organize volunteer or fundraising opportunities to help protect these species.
- Offer a workshop on building birdhouses and provide information on bird species, their characteristics and behaviors, and their varying habitat requirements.
- Commemorate America Recycles Day (November 15), a program of Keep America Beautiful, by organizing a special event.
- Coordinate a children's poster contest on recycling.
- Hold a community workshop on sustainable gardening.
- Hold a club yard sale to repurpose gently used items and donate the proceeds to various environmental charities.
- Plan a clean-up day in the community by coordinating groups of volunteers to clean eyesore areas and properly discard the waste.
- Sponsor a "Yard of the Month" or other monthly beautification contest that recognizes community enhancement.
- Establish a hiking or biking trail in the community or maintain an existing trail, encouraging people to learn more about nature and enjoy the outdoors.
- Organize a local garden tour and donate the proceeds to a community garden or conservation project.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

GFWC-WS Chair:

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HEALTH and WELLNESS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM



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The human body, mind, and spirit comprise our health and wellness. To improve our wellbeing, we must address three key components: nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care. This Community Service Program aims to explore the various opportunities for awareness and advancement of each of these vital areas.

**CHALLENGE
PROJECT**
Provide
"Physical" Funding
for Mental Health
Programs

Affiliate Organizations

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Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Get Inspired with "Grassroots" Projects

- Share information with club and community members about making wise food choices.
- Host a community workshop and/or taste testing that provides healthy recipes and handouts on nutrition.
- Celebrate National Nutrition Month in March with a healthy potluck dinner at your club's monthly meeting.
- Hold a "Healthy Food Drive," requesting donors to contribute nutritious foods from Feeding America's Healthy Food Donation List.
- Establish a school OR community garden or expand an existing school garden to provide fresh and nutritious produce for local soup kitchens and food pantries.
- Support and/or sponsor immunization programs at home and abroad.
- Recognize National Immunization Awareness Month in August.
- Share information with club and community members on various topics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), such as disease and conditions, healthy living, traveler's health, emergency preparedness, and more.
- Share information about the early signs and symptoms of diabetes in children and adults.
- Post and/or share information on the safe disposal of unwanted medications and the location of local medication disposal drop boxes.
- Adopt a classroom and donate physical exercise "take a break" items such as jump ropes, hula hoops, balls, etc.
- Partner with a local assisted living home to provide senior exercise equipment such as leg pedaling machines, resistance bands, and/or yoga mats.
- Learn and share the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of someone in danger of suicide, as outlined by the National Institute of Mental Health.
- Educate, advocate, and/or donate during Mental Health Awareness month in May.
- Offer resources and/or promote programs that prevent bullying, so children and youth are safeguarded and supported at school, in the community, and online.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

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Resolutions Committee

Help me find the missing whereas in our GFWC-Washington State's resolutions.

I have been asked to served as Resolutions Chairman for the current administration. I have printed off Washington State's current resolutions and have discovered a few resolutions that are missing their 'WHEREAS' statements. Can you help track them down??



204 - Birds

The resolution was adopted in 1914. Yes, 1914. It was last reaffirmed in 2015 and in our current listing is missing the whereas. (Adopted 1914, Reaffirmed 1993, 2000, 2007, 2012, 2015)
RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State will cooperate as far as possible in the enforcement of Federal Laws for the protection of migratory and insectivorous birds

307 - History and Artifacts

(Adopted 1899, Renamed 1994, Reaffirmed 1998, 2002, 2008, 2012, 2015)
RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State, adopts as one feature of future work, the promotion of the collection and preservation of the History and Artifacts of Washington State.

310 - Kindergarten

(Adopted 1948, Revised 1994, 1998, 2002, Reaffirmed 2008, 2012, 2015)
RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State reaffirms its long standing support of an effective program of Public Kindergarten and Licensed Preschools.

I would like to find the missing part of each of these resolutions. If you have a copy of our resolutions from years past would you look to see if resolution 204, 307, and/or 310 is complete in your copy. I would very much like to find the missing part.

There will be a small reward for anyone who is able to supply the missing information to me. Send to walden3638@comcast.net.

Bonnie Walden
Resolutions Committee Chairman



Membership

Did we forget about our organization?

Did we forget the history of our legacy and state accomplishment?

Did we forget how we got here?

Do you TELL these to our friends, and those we meet when in a public surrounding?

We have a huge state problem that only the members can challenge and reach the goal to stay alive.

Facts: we have 373 members, 33 of these are double or triple members that brings us down to 340 state members. We have 47 on state board and chairman. That brings us to 293 members that don't attend events.

We have 27 clubs and should have 12.7 members in each club. This is not the fact. There are 13 clubs with this count and more, great job! 12 clubs have less than 8 members.

My stats for 2025 show we will lose 32% of our membership. This will reduce our numbers to 253.64 members. My committee of will be coming up with ideas to change these numbers, but we can't do it alone. We are all leaders. We need to be working to change these stats. Not tomorrow, today. Procrastination is a word under these circumstances, it must be removed from our vocabulary.

Not only do I suggest adding to clubs, but learn to keep the members you have. We have a new generation that needs to be recruited. If you want to invite them into your club listen to what they can bring forth. Don't let them hear "We have always done it this way". That is an old excuse. Look at us today on a new way of communicating. This is the time for change and let others know what our General Federation of Women's Clubs can offer to enrich their lives. Recruit them or start a club that fits their needs.

I have membership packets that I need you to distribute to the state membership. Please be watching for them in the mail, I want them in hand not on a screen. Copies need to be made and each member in the state needs the information. I don't like this dire news and I don't believe you want to lose this very special state that has contributed so much to society through very hard work and dedication.

What ever you need, my committee and I will be with you to reach a goal. You name the goal, this is up to you.

Thank you
Lynn Cline
GFWC-WS Membership Chairman



Clubs in our State

GFWC Battle Ground

Good news: Club has a revamped website

After a few months of learning a new web design app and dozens of emails to the host company “support guys” to resolve glitches, GFWC-Battle Ground is happy to announce that the updated [GFWC-Battle GroundWA.org](http://GFWC-BattleGroundWA.org) is up and running with more color and better organization of content. Take a peek.

Bad news: Ladybug Bazaar Canceled

Due to the safety concerns and uncertainties of Covid-19, the 2020 Ladybug Bazaar has been cancelled. “It is with deep regret that we decided to cancel the Bazaar after not missing a single one since our first bazaar in 1967,” said president Mary Lee Miller.

The popular bazaar involves over 165 vendors who rent 191 spaces and funds most of the club’s projects. The club fully intends to hold the bazaar in 2021!

Find us on Facebook:
[GFWC Battle Ground](https://www.facebook.com/GFWCBattleGround)



GFWC Valley Volunteers



Valley Volunteers is one of the few clubs who meet all year long. Typically one of our bigger project is held in August. Obviously that isn’t happening this year. Like so many others, Valley Volunteers has learned how to do the ‘Zoom shuffle’. We missed a few months trying to wait out the virus and restrictions but just missed each other too much to continue not having meetings. Out of concern for everyone’s well-being, we are holding our monthly meetings via Zoom instead of in person. Since our meetings are Saturday mornings at 10am, we get a cuppa and a treat and hit the computer for some much needed friendship and federation! What are you doing to stay connected with your peers?

Clubs in our State

GFWC Camas Washougal

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP RECOGNIZED FOR ITS INVOLVEMENT IN GROW AND LEARN PROGRAM INITIATIVES

Published in ESD112—June 2nd, 2020

General Federation of Women's Clubs Camas-Washougal (GFWC C-W) is helping young readers through their Reach for the Stars with Books program. This local effort, which places books into the hands of preschool students, recently won the organization's state Community Improvement Program (CIP) First Place Award. They will now be entered into competition for a National placement to be awarded at the end June.

"Our program supports 1, 2, 3 Grow & Learn preschool readiness program offered by Educational Service District 112 at Hathaway Elementary School in Washougal," explained Susan Bennett, GFWC C-W Vice President. "The goal is to enrich the children through growth and learning skills prior to entering kindergarten and pursuing their academic journey." Upon the completion of seven reading sessions with their parent or caregiver, GFWC C-W presents each child an assortment of books, learning tools and a t-shirt in a backpack to take home to keep through their "Reach for the Stars with Books" Program.

[1,2,3 Grow and Learn](#) was started at Hathaway Elementary in 2016. To increase attendance, Nancy Nass-Boone, Washougal School District Family Resource Coordinator, created an incentive program where on the child's seventh session they would be rewarded with books. There was no program or budget for this, so Boone found gently used books and funded it with her own money. Nine students were awarded books that first year.

When GFWC C-W President, Pat Suggs, heard about Boone's efforts, she recognized an opportunity for the club to help. And that is how "Reach for the Stars with Books" was born. In 2017-18 school year 16 backpacks were awarded and in 2018-19 they awarded 36. For the 2019-20 school year they will award 47 backpacks filled with books and learning tools. 38 backpacks were awarded prior to COVID-19. On-site classes were suspended on March 11th.

With Stay at Home orders in place, on April 6, ESD 112 began virtual 1, 2, 3 Grow and Learn on a daily basis using Zoom. Because the family e-mail address is registered with EDS 112, they can track the children's attendance. Whether a child who would normally attend class weekly at Hathaway attends more than once per week via Zoom, it still only accounts for one attendance to qualify for their backpack filled with books. Thus, accounting for the additional six backpacks being awarded.



*Prior to schools closing, Grow and Learn
Julie Jacobson, ECE Specialist II reads to the class*



Pat Suggs GFWC C-W President, Lisa Young Extended Learning Coordinator and Susan Bennett GFWC C-W Vice President are pictured in front of the school bus.

Clubs in our State

GFWC Camas Washougal continued

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP RECOGNIZED continued...

"GFWC C-W was able to create "Reach for the Stars with Books" through multiple Camas Washougal Community Chest Grants, a strong partnership with Bi-Mart, multiple donations from Exterior Woods and previously awarded GFWC Literacy Grants made possible by Proctor & Gamble," Bennett explained.

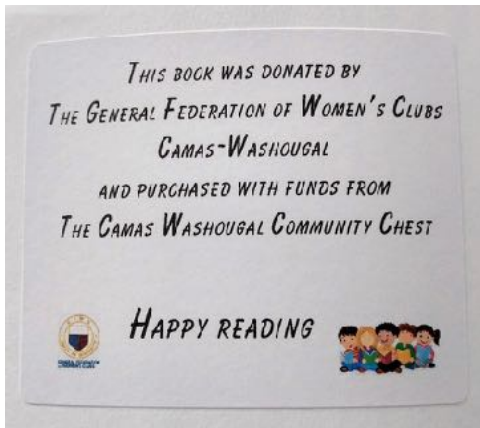
GFWC C-W is using their 2020 CWCC grant funds to expand their "Reach for the Stars with Books" Program to include all children enrolled in Washougal Preschool Programs. The programs they support with books are: WSD; EOC/HeadStart; Ready, Set, Kindergarten (a Summer reading program); WSD Developmental Preschool and ECEAP Childcare/Preschool.

Lisa Young, WSD Extended Learning Coordinator Preschool and Before/After School Programs, has also been instrumental in procuring some quality books through Scholastic Books at just over \$1.00 each. GFWC C-W has 543 books ready for distribution to the children currently enrolled in the Washougal School District Preschool Programs. A second procurement and distribution of books will be made during the 2020-21 school year.

The GFWC Community Improvement Program Award aims to enhance the lives of our neighbors around the world by meeting community-specific needs that heighten the community's awareness of the GFWC organization.



Placing the book plates is Jeanette Jester and Susan Bennett.



Because they didn't have enough keeping them out of trouble, GFWC Camas-Washougal has been busy making Operation Smile gowns (12) and arm bands (18).

Clubs in our State

GFWC Camas Washougal continued

GFWC C-W provided a meal on June 26 at Refuel Washougal, a Meal On Wheels extension. Refuel is every Friday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The meal is prepared and served by a variety of groups; church, community service, Starbucks and real estate agents just to name a few.



These meals were previously prepared at the Washougal Community Center where they were being served. Due to COVID-19 the kitchen can no longer be used and all food must be prepared in a commercial kitchen. For our past two meals we purchased items at Safeway (fried chicken) or purchased Deli sandwiches.

This time we partnered with a local restaurant, Peggy's Place. They prepared a wonderful Chicken vegetable barley soup. We prepared and served a tossed green salad, Hawaiian rolls, assorted cookies and bottled water. The meal was presented in a brown paper bag rather than a to go box.



Photo #1 Chris Kamps, GFWC C-W President



Photo #2 Club members; Kimily DeVerteuil, Vice President Susan Bennett, President Chris Kamps and Barbara Carpenter



Photo #3 President Chris Kamps, Peggy Walsh owner of Peggy's Place and Vice President Susan Bennett.

Find us on Facebook:
[GFWC Camas-Washougal](#)

Clubs in our State

Kirkland Woman's Club



The Kirkland Woman's Club has some exciting news to share with you!

Because of the great relationship between one of our members Habiba Sadat and a long-standing renter, we've received a generous offer. They plan to install air conditioning, remodel the kitchen and bathroom, and possibly add a second bathroom.

After several meetings with David, Eric, Habiba, and Sandy Moreno, they plan to begin work soon.

Submitted by Habiba Sadat

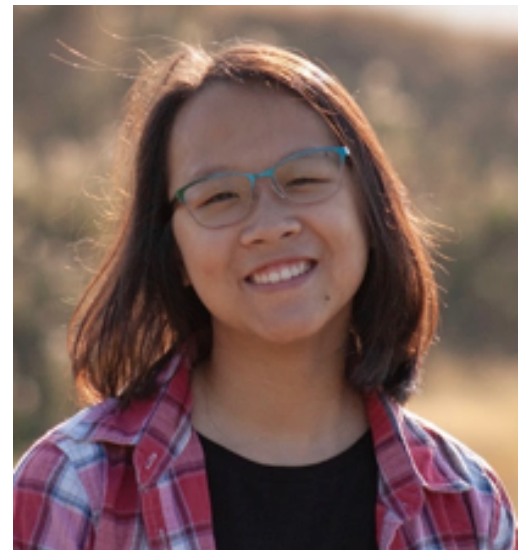


GFWC Cascade

Scholarship News from GFWC Cascade Woman's Club:

This year, the GFWC Cascade Woman's Club offered a \$500 educational scholarship to one of our local students Keerthana Thammana, and she was also offered the 4th Place \$700 GFWC Washington State Scholarship in April. Keerthana recently informed us that she has decided to study Bioengineering at John Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland, forfeiting her GFWC Scholarships.

Nonetheless, GFWC Cascade Woman's Club was able to provide a \$500 Club scholarship to Megan Wong who has enrolled at the University of Washington to study Chemical Engineering. She is a very active and devoted volunteer at school and in the community, and served as the Key Club President this past year. She is a Cambridge Honors student with a 4.0 GPA, participated on the school's swim and badminton teams, was voted Homecoming Queen, and managed all of this while working part-time to earn money for college. Last summer, Megan earned an elite summer internship with the University of Washington Medical Genetics Department. We know she will have a very successful academic career going forward!



Submitted by Janice Orr

Clubs in our State

GFWC Chewelah

GFWC Chewelah Woman's club has masked up and enjoyed gardens galore in our area.

Starting with our Mother's Day Flower Bowl fundraiser for youth scholarships in May and continuing throughout summer months. Members and friends opened their yards and gardens, large and small for our enjoyment!

Bonnie Rail
President



GFWC Headquarters

GFWC Resources Move to the Member Portal

Among the many member benefits offered, the GFWC's Member Portal has a more sophisticated document library than www.gfwc.org. MemberSuite, the system hosting the Member Portal, allows you to download documents much faster! And after August 1, GFWC resources will only be available by logging into the GFWC Member Portal and clicking on "My Digital Library."

Once in the "GFWC Resources" folder, you should see all resources that have been available at www.gfwc.org/gfwc-resources organized in A-Z folders. As has been the case on www.gfwc.org, documents are filed according to the name of each document. In addition, you'll be able to see the date and time that the document was last updated—a feature not available on GFWC's website.

[Log in](#) to the Member Portal today, and see what the "My Digital Library" has to offer! As mentioned recently by newly installed International President Marion St.Clair, one of the many resources available is the 2020–2022 Club Manual.

Looking for webinars you can attend from the comfort and safety of your home? You're in luck! GFWC's summer webinar series is back by popular demand, in case you missed one of the first six sessions.

Registration is now open through the GFWC Member Portal.

<https://gfwc.users.membersuite.com/events/browse>



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GFWC Headquarters

The official Instagram of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC).

Congratulations to the 2020–2022 GFWC Officers:

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First Vice President Suellen Brazil

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Secretary Jolie Frankfurth

Treasurer Mary Beth Williams

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So many things to find!

Events & Special Days

August

26th

Women's Equality Day

100th Anniversary of Women's Right to Vote

September

7th

Labor Day

19th

Fall Board, Virtual

22nd

1st day of Fall

26-27

Western States Region mtg, Virtual

October

Various

District Fall Conferences

31st

Halloween

November

1st

Clubwoman articles due

1st

State Dues are due



Women's Equality Day



REACHING FOR RAINBOWS

GFWC – Washington State
2020 Fall Board / ZOOM Meeting Registration Form
September 19, 2020
10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Registration Deadline – **September 14, 2020**

One form per person

NAME		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE	CELL	
CLUB	DISTRICT	
STATE FEDERATION TITLE (or Member if none)		

Yes, I have a GFWC-WS green name badge and will wear it _____
No, I don't have a green badge, but I want one! (order below) _____

Fees:

Registration _____ \$ 5

Lunch ~ Board Member State Handbook postage only, \$10 _____

Lunch ~ Non-Board Member Handbook printing & postage, \$20 _____

Dinner ~ Green Name badge, \$15 (Name: _____) _____

Dessert ~ State Collections: (all amounts welcome!) _____

Coins for Art _____

Federation Forest _____

Scholarships _____

Endowment Fund _____

(In memory / honor of _____)

Total Enclosed _____

Any special requests (sorry, no coffee delivery this time!) _____

FUN POLL: If you could plan lunch at the next state meeting, what would you pick...
(maybe we can make it happen if we get enough votes for any one of these!!)

Grilled Cheese & Soup _____ Tacos _____ Pizza _____
Salad Bar _____ Ice Cream Sundaes _____

Make checks payable to GFWC-WS Fall Board
Send checks and completed form to: (Questions? call 253-261-9241)
Kim Skagen
12100 SE Triviere Trail
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Proposed Amendments to the GFWC-WS Bylaws

September 19, 2020

The following amendments to the GFWC-WS Bylaws are submitted for consideration at the 2020 GFWC-WS Fall Board of Director's Zoom Meeting

ARTICLE III – DUES AND FINANCE

Existing Bylaw:

Section 3.2 Depositories. Depository and investment of all funds shall be invested in an accredited financial institution or trust company as approved by the Executive Committee upon recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee. All monies, except those for the Endowment Fund, are received by the Treasurer and deposited. Monies intended for the General Fund, Educational Scholarship, and Federation Forest investment funds are invested by the Financial Secretary. Endowment Fund donations are invested by the Endowment Trustee.

Section 3.3 Interest: Interest received from completed endowment funds shall be transferred into the General Fund. Interest received from Educational Scholarship funds and Federation Forest funds shall be used for their separate purpose

Proposed amendment:

Strike "Educational Scholarship," in Section 3.2 Depositories, following the words "General Fund," and before the words "Federation Forest." In Section 3.3, Interest, strike "Educational Scholarship funds and" following the words "received from" and before the words "Federation Forest funds" and strike the words "their separate" following the words "shall be used" and insert the word "that" .

Add a new Section 3.3 Educational Scholarship Funds

Renumber all remaining Sections in Article III – Dues and Finance

If adopted will read:

Section 3.2 Depositories. Depository and investment of all funds shall be invested in an accredited financial institution or trust company as approved by the Executive Committee upon recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee. All monies, except those for the Endowment Fund, are received by the Treasurer and deposited. Monies intended for the General Fund and Federation Forest investment funds are invested by the Financial Secretary. Endowment Fund donations are invested by the Endowment Trustee.

Section 3.3 Educational Scholarship Fund. Monies received for the Educational Scholarship Fund are to be combined into a single scholarship fund to be invested through the GFWC-WS's outside Financial Advisor. Returns on these investments will be used to provide educational scholarships awarded annually as recommended by the Educational Scholarship Fund Trustees.

Section 3.4 Interest: Interest received from completed endowment funds shall be transferred into the General Fund. Interest received from Federation Forest funds shall be used for the **that** purpose.

Section 3.5 Budget

Section 3.6 Disbursements

Section 3.7 Remittances

Section 3.8 Financial Review

Rational: The membership approved the combination of Educational Scholarship Funds and the Kathy Estep Scholarship Funds into one investment fund at the 2019 GFWC-WS Convention. The monies will be invested through Common Wealth Financial Network. Income from these investments, will provide monies for the annual GFWC-WS Educational Scholarships. Bylaws updates needed to address the new financial program.

ARTICLE V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 5.2 Duties.

Existing Bylaw:

Section 5.2 Duties. The Board of Directors shall transact the business of GFWC-WS between annual Conventions. It may delegate to the Executive Committee such power as it deems necessary. The President may take a vote of the Board of Directors by mail or e-mail when necessary. A report of any such action shall be verified and made a part of the minutes of the next Board meeting. The Board's duties shall include the following items, which also may be found elsewhere in these bylaws.

- A. Consider proposed amendments and revisions to GFWC-WS, Standing Rules, Policies and Resolutions.
- B. Elect the Nominating Committee from its members at its post-convention meeting in even-number years.
- C. Adopt an annual budget.
- D. Approve special GFWC-WS projects or contests and endorsement of legislation or programs of other organization.

Section 5.3 Meetings. There shall be ~~two meetings~~ of the Board of Directors each year ~~one preceding the annual Convention and the other~~ to be held in the fall. In the even-numbered years there shall be a post-convention meeting of the Board of Directors. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President or upon written request of three members of the Executive Committee, provided at least 30 days' notice is given and the business to be considered is fully stated.

Proposed Amendment

Section 5.2 Duties. Add to subsection "A" following the word 'Resolutions', "**in the absence of a GFWC-WS Convention prior to the GFWC-WS Fall Board meeting.**"

Section 5.3 Meetings. Strike the first sentence and replace with a new sentence. Add a section B. regarding virtual meetings.

- A. The Board of Directors shall meet annually, the meeting to be held in the fall. In the even-numbered years there shall be a post-Convention meeting of the Board of Directors.**
- B. Due to circumstances causing the inability of the Board of Directors to meet in person, meetings may be held via virtual platforms (i.e. Zoom, etc.) to conduct the business of the organization.**

If adopted will read:

Section 5.2 Duties.

- A. Consider proposed amendments and revisions to GFWC-WS, Standing Rules, Policies and Resolutions **in the absence of the GFWC-WS Convention prior to the GFWC-WS Fall Board meeting.**
- B. Elect the Nominating Committee from its members at its post-convention meeting in even-number years.
- C. Adopt an annual budget.
- D. Approve special GFWC-WS projects or contests and endorsement of legislation or programs of other organization.

Section 5.3 Meetings. Delete the first sentence and replace it with the following.

- A. **The Board of Directors shall meet annually, the meeting to be held in the fall. In the even-numbered years there shall be a post-Convention meeting of the Board of Directors.** Special meetings may be held at the call of the President or upon written request of three members of the Executive Committee, provided at least 30 days' notice is given and the business to be considered is fully stated.
- B. **Due to the inability of the Board of Directors to meet in person, meetings may be held via virtual platforms (i.e. Zoom, etc.) to conduct the business of the organization.**

Rational: With the drop in attendance at meetings, it is usually the same members attending both the Executive Committee meeting and the Board of Directors. This will allow the entire Convention attendees to vote on the business at hand. And, to allow meeting to be virtual if necessary.

ARTICLE VII – COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS & SPECIAL PROJECTS

Existing Bylaw.

Section 7.1 Definition. The GFWC Community Service Programs shall be the Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and public Issues. The GFWC Special Projects and Programs shall be identified each administration. Each shall be administered by one chairman, or no more that two, who shall serve as liaisons between the GFWC Chairman and GFWC-WS district and club chairman. They may serve no more that two consecutive terms (up to four years) in the same position

Proposed amendment:

Section 7.1 Definition. In the first sentence, strike after the words “shall be the” ~~Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues.~~ Insert following “shall be the” **Arts and Culture, Civic Engagement and Outreach, Education and Libraries (including ESO), Environment, and Health and Wellness.”**

If adopted will read:

Section 7.1 Definition. The GFWC Community Service Programs shall be **the Arts and Culture, Civic Engagement and Outreach, Education and Libraries (including ESO), Environment, and Health and Wellness.** The GFWC Special Projects and Programs shall be identified each administration. Each shall be administered by one chairman, or no more than two, who shall serve as liaisons between the GFWC Chairman and GFWC-WS district and club chairman. They may serve no more than two consecutive terms (up to four years) in the same position.

Rational: To bring our Community Service Program titles into compliance with the new GFWC titles for the 2020-2022 Administration.

ARTICLE IX – EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Section 9.3 Educational Scholarship Fund

Existing Bylaw:

- C. All monies given to the Kathy Estep Scholarship Fund are to go to the principal. Only the interest from this fund is given as an additional scholarship to the top GFWC-WS high school/college scholarship winner each year.

Proposed amendment:

In the first sentence, strike the words “go to the principal” following the words “Kathy Estep Scholarship Fund.” Insert the words, “are to be deposited in the general Educational Scholarship Fund to be invested with other scholarship monies.” In the second sentence, strike the words “Only the interest from this fund.” Insert the words prior to the words, “is given as an additional,” “Funds earned through Educational Scholarship Fund investments.” Add a third sentence, “The amount of the Kathy Estep Scholarship will be determined by the Educational Scholarship Trustees.

If adopted will read:

- C. All monies given to the Kathy Estep Scholarship Fund are to be deposited in the general Educational Scholarship Fund to be invested with other scholarship monies. Funds earned through Educational Scholarship Fund investments is given as an additional scholarship to the top GFWC-WS high school/college scholarship winner each year. The amount of the Kathy Estep Scholarship will be determined by the Educational Scholarship Trustees.

Rational: To clarify the process for the Kathy Estep Scholarship with the new financial investment program, which combines all scholarship monies into one fund for investment purposes.

ARTICLE XVI – AMENDMENTS

Existing Bylaw:

Section 16.1. Amendments to these bylaws may be adopted at the Annual Convention by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting, provided the proposed amendment was appended to the Call to Convention. Amendments may be proposed by GFWC-WS elected officers, the Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Bylaws Committee, or any district or member clubs. Proposed amendments shall be sent to the President and to the Bylaws Committee Chairman, considered by the Board of Directors and presented to the convention by the Bylaws Committee.

Proposed Amendment:

In the last sentence, delete the words “considered by the Board of Directors” following the words “Bylaw Committee Chairman.

Add a new subsection 16.2

In the absence of a GFWC-WS Convention prior to GFWC-WS Fall Board, the Board of Directors may consider and adopt amendments to these bylaws by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting, provided the proposed amendment was appended to the Call to Fall Board.

If adopted will read:

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Rational:

16.1 There would be of Board of Directors meeting prior to Convention.

16.2 Because of the unusual circumstances this year it is necessary to provide an additional method to adopt bylaw amendments that need to be handled prior to the next Convention.

ARTICLE XVII – BYLAW REVISIONS

Existing Bylaw

Section 17.2. The proposed revision shall be included in the Call to Convention at which the revision is to be considered. ~~and shall be presented to the Board of Directors at the pre-convention Board meeting for appraisal.~~

Proposed Amendment:

Strike the second portion of the sentence in its entirety.

If adopted will read:

Section 17.2. The proposed revision shall be included in the Call to Convention at which the revision is to be considered.

Proposed Amendments to the GFWC-WS Standing Rules

September 2020

Finances Rule 3, c currently reads:

3. Expenses for Annual Convention

- c. Expenses for the Dean of Chairmen, Endowment Trustee, Parliamentary Advisor, ~~the six Community Service Program Chairmen~~, the Special Project Chairman, the five Advancement Chairmen, the Community Improvement Program Chairman, the Arts Room Chairman, the Bylaws Chairman, the Convention/Meeting Chairman, the Registration/Election Chairman, the Federation Forest Chairman, the Resolution Chairman, the Scholarship Chairman, and the WHRC Chairman to attend the annual GFWC-WS Convention shall be paid from the treasury, in the amount not to exceed \$25.00 each, provided the direct expenses, meeting meals, room and transportation (gas and oil), are equal to or greater than this amount.

Proposed Amendment:

Strike the six Community Service Program Chairmen an insert following "Parliamentary Advisor," **Arts and Culture, Civic Engagement and Outreach, Education and Libraries (including ESO), Environment, and Health and Wellness.**

Strike five Advancement Chairmen insert following "the Special Project Chairman". **Communication and Public Policy/Brand Identity, Fundraising, Leadership, Legislation and Public Policy, Membership.** Strike the word "improvement" following Community and insert "Impact" to read Community Impact Program.

If adopted will read:

Expenses for the Dean of Chairmen, Endowment Trustee, Parliamentary Advisor, **Arts and Culture, Civic Engagement and Outreach, Education and Libraries (Including ESO), Environment, and Health and Wellness,** the Special Project Chairman, **Communications and Public Policy/Brand Identity, Fundraising, Leadership, Legislation and Public Policy, Membership,** the Community **Impact** Program Chairman, the Arts Room Chairman, the Bylaws Chairman, the Convention/Meeting Chairman, the Registration/Election Chairman, the Federation Forest Chairman, the Resolution Chairman, the Scholarship Chairman, and the WHRC Chairman to attend the annual GFWC-WS Convention shall be paid from the treasury, in the amount not to exceed \$25.00 each, provided the direct expenses, meeting meals, room and transportation (gas and oil), are equal to or greater than this amount.