

Minutes of the 2022 Virtual Annual Meeting  
May 7, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
Lisa Cashel, Board Chair, Presiding

The 2022 Annual Meeting of Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana was held in-person on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Board Chair Lisa Cashel called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Trooper Sanders, National Board Member was introduced and spoke about why Girl Scouts is special to him and thanked families and volunteers attending. Lisa recognized several Girl Scout birthdays, including Girl Scouts, 110, Ella J. Logan is 94, Camp Agnes S. McMillen, 73, Camp Soni Springs, 63 and Camp Wildwood is 62 and this October will mark the 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana.

**Meeting Procedures**

**Adoption of Standing Rules** – Kelsey Rowe explained the Paddle Vote method. Kelsey presented and moved that the Standing Rules be adopted. Lisa Cashel called for a vote to adopt the Standing Rules for the annual meeting. **The Standing Rules were adopted.**

**Annual Meeting Appointments** – Kelsey Rowe announced the committee appointments for the 2022 Annual Meeting:

Teller – Tammy Savage  
Time Keeper – Faith Van Gilder  
Minutes Taker – Faith Van Gilder

**Adoption of Meeting Agenda** – Kelsey Rowe moved to adopt the agenda of the 2022 Annual Meeting as presented. Lisa Cashel called for a vote to adopt the Meeting Agenda for the Annual Meeting. **The meeting agenda was adopted.**

**Approval of the 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes** – Kelsey Rowe reported the minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting had been approved by board secretary and were provided to the members. Board Chair, Lisa Cashel called for any corrections.

**There is one correction:** The first line should read The 2021 Annual Meeting of Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana was held virtually on Saturday, May 1, 2021, 10:00 a.m., not the 2020 Annual Meeting. **The minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting were approved as corrected.**

**Recognition of Board Members** – Lisa Cashel recognized current Board members:

**Officers**

Lisa Cashel, Board Chair  
Julie Spears, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair  
Amy Roush, Second Vice-Chair  
Dr. Tom Edington, Treasurer  
Robin Tribbett, Secretary

**Members At Large**

Anne White  
Bill Schmuhl  
Heather Herron  
Jana Grothaus  
Jean Fahy  
Jon-Myckle Price  
Kelsey Rowe  
Patrick Sherrer  
Ron Voglewede  
Susana Worth

## **2021 In Review** – Lisa Cashel and Sharon Pohly

Resilience is the word that kept surfacing during the year. In 2021 summer camp resumed and girls enjoyed many traditional and STEM activities. We remained focused on our mission and appreciate our many funders, board members and dedicated volunteers. Most of all we salute our resilient Girl Scouts. We welcomed THOR as a national sponsor of Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend. Our council's online presence is becoming stronger. We honored 21 Gold Award recipients at a ceremony at Goshen College. Being a Girl Scout and earning the Gold Award gives girls a boost in life and career. The board of directors were thanked for their time and leadership and salute to the Girl Scouts that persevered. Stats were given on participation and membership. Communication through social media became increasingly important and will continue to be.

Sharon recognized the girls who had received their Gold Award since the last Annual Meeting.

- Olyvia Dodson – South Bend, IN
- Laurel Kelsheimer – Larwill, IN
- Allison Jones – Fort Wayne, IN
- Rachel Phelan – South Bend, IN
- Brianna Shifferly – Monroe, IN
- Kaylah Snyder – Huntertown, IN
- Kristen Tucker – Fort Wayne, IN

## **Treasurer's Report** – Anne White

It was an exceptional year! The full report is printed in the 2021 Annual Report. (in paper or on website). Significant investments were made in our properties, chief of which was developing the Makerspace in the Friendship House at Camp McMillen, made possible by a grant from American Electric Power. The council's total net assets are \$12,635,078. The total liabilities were \$1,142,641. GSNI-M's net value of property and equipment ended the year at \$5,724,202. The total expenses for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021 were \$3,369,300. Of these expenses, 72% were expended for program services, while 28% were expended for support services (Management & General and Fund Development). There were no questions about the Treasurer's report.

## **Board Development Committee Report and Election** – Susana Worth

Susana Worth, BDC Member presented the Board Development Committee report. A copy of that report was submitted to Lisa Cashel. Susana introduced the additional BDC members: Co-Chairs Jana Grothaus and Jean Fahy and Linda Buskirk, with Lisa Cashel and Sharon Pohly, as ex-officio members. Susana presented the slate of candidates for Board Officers, Members at Large, BDC members and National Delegates.

### DIRECTORS AT LARGE

#### 3-year terms ending in 2025

- Jana Grothaus
- Heather Herron
- Jenn Molinda
- Patrick Scherrer
- M. Susana Worth

#### 2-year terms ending in 2024

- William Schmuhl
- Tom Edington

#### 1-year term ending in 2023

- Allen Coultas-Miggins
- Stephanie Van Dellen

### BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

#### 2-year terms ending in 2024

- Jenn Molinda
- Stephanie Van Dellen

Susana moved for election of the single slate as presented. No second needed as the motion came from committee. A vote ensued and **motion passed**.

There were three Mission Moments presented from our Membership

1. Armanda Turney and Becky Everett from Service Unit 230 in Adams County shared how they kept Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts engaged in their Service Unit through travel and other programs.
2. Jamie Barrier and Christi Steif, volunteers with Troop 51024 in Service Unit 207 in St. Joseph County shared their well-rounded, girl-led troop program. They have kept over 15 girls involved throughout the last two years (through the pandemic) with service projects, field trips and more.
3. Michelle Henry, Service Unit Manager and Abbey Meritz, Event Coordinator of combined Service Units 217, 219, and 221 in Allen County excelled at resiliency throughout the pandemic, adapting their programming to meet the recommended health and safety guidelines.

Lisa thanked the Annual Celebration Planning Committee members: Kelsey Rowe, Chair, Heather Herron, Jean Fahy, Abby Schoonaert, Anya Boyden, and Theresa Brady. Next year the Annual Celebration Event will on Saturday, May 6, 2023.

**Closing Remarks** – Lisa Cashel

Armanda Turney from SU 230 motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Jean Fahy, Board Member. The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Faith Van Gilder  
Recording Secretary

Robin Tribbett  
Board Secretary