

DELEGATE DIALOGUE

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Welcome to 2021! Thank you for your service to GSCTX over this past exceptionally challenging year. We gratefully acknowledge all the accomplishments that were made, despite dealing with COVID-19. Without you and your strong commitment to Girl Scouts, we would not have been able to continue delivering high-quality girl experiences to over 15,000+ girls in 2020.

Thank you!!



Governance Opportunities to Serve

Governance Committee

You don't need to be a board member to serve on a board committee! The GSCTX Governance Committee is looking for a few individuals who are interested in helping shape the Council's governance and policy process. Contact the committee at council@gsctx.org

Regional Chairs

Currently we have a vacancy for a Region Four (4) Chair (please see region map below). If you are interested in serving in this position, please visit the delegate page on the GSCTX website and fill out/return the [application form](#) to: council@gsctx.org

Council Delegate / Alternate

Each Service Unit (SU) is entitled to one delegate and one alternate per 500 girls registered in the area served by the SU. Please see the following page for additional information and application guidelines.



2021 Save-the-Dates

January 20 – February 28

Cookie season!

January – May

Service Units may select their Council Delegates and Alternates (see next page).

June 7, 2021

Annual Meeting Official Notice goes out. Council delegates/alternates *cannot* be added or changed after this date.

July 10, 2021

Virtual Annual Meeting and Volunteer Enrichment Conference (VEC).



We want to hear from you!

Please send us your thoughts, insight, feedback, ideas, suggestions well, you get the idea.

We value and appreciate your input!
Please contact us at council@gsctx.org

Thanks and Best Wishes for the New Year!



GSCTX Standard Operating Procedures Council Delegate / Alternate Elections

Date of Revision	June 1, 2020
Department	Executive/Governance
Title of Procedure	GSCTX SOP --- Council Delegate/Alternate Elections
Purpose of Procedure	To share information in order to have informed volunteers and staff and consistency throughout the Council.
Procedures	Service Unit (SU) will call for nominations and democratically elect their council delegate(s) and alternate(s) prior to the Annual Meeting notification period.
Delegate/Alternate Qualifications	The nominees will be selected on the basis of qualifications of membership, ability to perform the job, and willingness and availability to participate in training. The delegate or alternate cannot have debt with the council. See <i>Council Delegate/Alternate Volunteer Position Description</i> .
Number of delegate(s)/ alternate(s) per Service Unit	Each SU is entitled to elect one delegate with an additional one delegate per 500 girls registered in the area served by the SU. GSCTX will determine the number of delegates per SU based on the number of girls being served as of September 30 of the previous membership year. Each SU may elect as many alternates as there are delegates.
Term of Office	Council delegates/alternates will serve a one-year term.
Confirmation Process: Sign Position Description	Once elected, both the Council delegate/alternate <u>and</u> the SUD must sign the <i>Position Description</i> .
Submit Position Description to Council	The SUD will submit the signed <i>Position Description</i> online to council@gstcx.org . council@gstcx.org is monitored daily by the council Governance Manager. Forms received by MDE's, other staff or volunteers should be forwarded to the Council Governance Manager.
Verification of Zero Council Debt	Once received, the Council Governance Manager will give the signed form to the Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The CFO will verify the elected delegate or alternate does not have debt with council. If they do have debt, the form will be returned to the SU to inform them that the elected person cannot serve as a Council Delegate.
Notification to Governance Chair	The <i>Council Delegate/Alternate Position Description</i> form will be sent to the Governance Chair and the appropriate Regional Chair. The Council Governance Manager will keep the official roster of elected Council Delegates and Alternates and update the roster on the GSCTX website, as needed.
Delegate/Alternate Roster, Forms and Information	Council delegate/alternate roster, forms and information are available at: https://www.gstcx.org/en/our-council/about-us/delegates.html
FAQs	Can a Service Unit Director (SUD) be elected as the Council Delegate? YES Can the Council Delegate also serve as an appointed Regional Chair? NO Can the Council Delegate also serve as an elected National Council Delegate? YES