



## 58th National Council Session Alert

In July 2026, Girl Scouts from across our country and around the world will gather for the 58th National Council Session to conduct the important business of our Movement, using our democratic process to do so.

### National Board Approval:

Following the National Council Session Action Team's recommendation, the National Board approved the 58th NCS Agenda, including two discussion topics designed to gather delegate input on Vision 2030 and three proposals that were submitted by at least 15% of chartered councils.

### Proposals:

- Girl Scout Highest Awards Solicitation of Contributions.
- Membership Dues and Procedures for Registration.
- Preservation of Girl Scout Leadership Experience Relating to the Entrepreneurship Program.

### Discussion Topics:

- Amplify Impact: Building Connection with Our Communities.
- Revolutionize Engagement: Girl Scouts Her Way.

### Proposals:

#### **Girl Scout Highest Awards Solicitation of Contributions, submitted by Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania.**

##### Proposal:

To amend the Policies of GSUSA as follows: Update the first paragraph of the Solicitation of Contributions part of the Policies section of the *Blue Book of Basic Documents* on page 20 by inserting the bolded, green wording and deleting the strike-through text as follows:

Adult members in their Girl Scout capacities may not solicit financial contributions for purposes other than Girl Scouting. Adults may engage in combined fundraising efforts authorized by the Girl Scout council and in which the local council is a beneficiary. Girl members may not engage in any direct solicitation for money except girl members ~~for Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors who~~ may solicit philanthropic donations to their councils of cash or in-kind goods for Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award projects, provided they have secured prior written permission from their council's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Development Officer, or their designee.

#### **Membership Dues and Procedures for Registration, submitted by Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana.**

##### Proposal:

To amend the Credentials Section of the Blue Book of Basic Documents, Membership Dues and Procedures for Registration as follows:

The National Board of Directors must obtain approval from the National Council whenever a planned



dues increase will result in dues increasing more than a total of ~~25~~ 15% in any one triennium.  
**Preservation of Girl Scout Leadership Experience Relating to the Entrepreneurship Program, originated by Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland.**

**Proposal:**

To amend the GIRL SCOUT TRADEMARK section of the *Blue Book of Basic Documents* as follows:

**GIRL SCOUT TRADEMARK**

Every product sold in connection with a Girl Scout council-sponsored product sale shall bear the Girl Scout name and service mark, either on the product or on its packaging. Every item bearing any of the registered Girl Scout names, logos, or marks purchased or developed for resale,<sup>2</sup> including items to be sold in council-sponsored product sales, shall be purchased (1) from a GSUSA-licensed vendor, (2) from Girl Scout Merchandise, or (3) produced with prior approval from GSUSA when items are not readily available from a licensed supplier. Every item bearing the Girl Scout name and service mark, including items for resale or non-resale<sup>3</sup> by councils, shall conform to the Girl Scout Brand Standards published by GSUSA. Items used for both resale and non-resale shall adhere to the stipulations stated above for resale items.

GSUSA, along with its alliances and relationships with corporations and businesses, shall not sell, license or otherwise provide for sale any food product bearing the Girl Scout name or service mark when related to the flavors, branding, or likeness of Girl Scout Cookies during the designated entrepreneurship program sales period of any Girl Scout council.

**Discussion Topics:**

**Amplify Impact: Building Connections with Our Communities:**

The National Board and National Council Session Advisory Team agreed that the discussion topics and proposals suggested by councils raised important questions about inclusivity, how we live our Girl Scout values, and how we ensure that we are welcoming to all girls and their families. The National Board, working in collaboration with GSUSA management, crafted a discussion topic that allows delegates to address these topics holistically and comprehensively.

This discussion topic will explore what we have learned families— including families already involved and those yet to join—are seeking from their experience with us and where consistency and flexibility enhance it; discuss how our Girl Scout values underpin that experience and where this may create unintended barriers; and what support our members need to promote and deliver the Girl Scout experience in their communities.

**Revolutionize Engagement: Girl Scouts Her Way:**

This discussion topic engages the delegate body in critical Movement conversations about “why and how” we need to evolve the ways girls and families can increase access to Girl Scouting for all girls. Councils originated multiple discussion topics and proposal ideas that addressed themes about how we attract and retain members. The board, with input from the NCSAT and GSUSA management, has incorporated these themes into a discussion topic, including themes from council-originated agenda items.