# Pacific Region of National Garden Clubs, Inc. 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Minutes July 2-3, 2014 – Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

# Call to Order

The meeting was called to order July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 at 10:35 a.m. by Pacific Region Director Elaine Gunderson. The Recording Secretary was present.

## Introduction

The Director introduced the Executive Committee members, members of the NGC Board of Directors including President Linda Nelson, members of the Pacific Region Board of Directors and former Pacific Region Directors.

## **Initial Credentials Report**

Carol Norquist, Credentials Chairman, moved to adopt the initial Credentials Report as presented with voting strength of 52. Motion passed.

## Quorum

The Director declared a quorum was present.

# **Adoption of Convention Rules**

Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian, presented the Convention Rules. Adopted by 2/3 vote.

# Adoption of Convention Program

Sandra Ford, Convention Chairman, moved to adopt the convention program as is. Motion passed.

#### **Initial Registration Report**

Maxine Smolowitz, Registrar presented the initial registration report with total registration of 126.

# Appointment of the Committee to Approve the Minutes

Without objection the Director appointed the following to approve the minutes: Carol Parrott, Alternate PR Director – Chairman Kristie Livreri, Corresponding Secretary Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian

#### Appointment of the Timekeepers

Without objection, the following were appointed as timekeepers: Sherry Cossey and Evalee Pearns

## **Introduction of Pages**

Robyn McCarthy, NGC Presidents Page; Karen Stark, Regional Director's Page

## Report of Committee Appointed to Approve Minutes

Alternate Director Carol Parrott reported that the minutes of the April 2013 Convention meeting in Santa Rosa, California were approved and circulated.

# Report of the Board of Directors

Recording Secretary Sheila Parcel reported the following:

- 1) The 2014-2015 Pacific Region budget was adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 2) The 2015 Convention Budget was adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 3) Revisions to Policy & Procedure Guidelines and Convention Procedure were approved by the Executive Committee.
- 4) Nevada Garden Clubs, Inc. invitation to the 2016 PR Convention in Henderson, Nevada was accepted.
- 5) That money received from boosters be designated as Pacific Region Boosters rather that *WACONIAH* Boosters.
- 6) That future e-mailed copies of *WACONIAH* will become a privilege of members of the Pacific Region and may be distributed without restriction at no charge, and subscription rates will still exist for copies that are mailed and this was increased to \$20 per two-year subscription.
- 7) Director Elaine reported on the Region Director's Project.
- 8) After discussion on whether to hold luncheon/breakfast meetings as speaker or round table meetings it was decided that it should continue at the discretion of the director.

## Reports of the Executive Committee

The following Executive Committee members reported:

Elaine Gunderson, Pacific Region Director Carol Parrott, Alternate Director Sheila Parcel, Recording Secretary Kristie Livreri, Corresponding Secretary Gale Baullinger, Treasurer Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian Jeanette Pruin, Historian Debbie Hinchey, Advisor

#### Memorial Service

Memorial Service Chairman Shirley Schmidt conducted the memorial service.

Meeting recessed at 11:31 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:03 a.m. July 3, 2014.

Carol Norquist, Credentials Chairman, moved to adopt the interim Credentials Report as presented with voting strength of 54. Motion Passed

Maxine Smolowitz, Registrar, presented the interim Registration report of 128.

<u>2013 Convention Final Report</u> – David West presented the final report on the 2013 Santa Rosa Convention, advising there were net proceeds of \$6,130.14 (\$4,904.11 to Pacific Region and \$1,226.03 to California Garden Clubs, Inc.).

Robin Pokorski, *WACONIAH* Editor, moved that the 2015 Pacific Region Convention be the 72<sup>nd</sup> Convention to correct the numbering of Pacific Region Conventions. Motion passed.

## **Executive Committee Members Reports continued**

Becky Hassebroek, President Alaska Garden Clubs

Carol Mossholder, President Arizona Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Rita Desilets, President California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Ann Swider, President Hawaii Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Janet Petersen, President Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.

Vicki Yuen, President Nevada Garden Clubs, Inc.

Peggy Olin, President Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Brynn, Tavasci, President Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs

Robin Pokorski, WACONIAH Editor

Carol Norquist, Website Chairman

#### <u>Appointments</u>

The Board of Directors ratified the following appointments:

Mary Lou Paulson, Butterflies Co-Chairman Myrtle Findley, Environmental Concerns Chairman Susan Smith, Youth Poetry Contest, Co-Chairman

#### Announcements

Janet Peterson, GC of Idaho, President as of January 2014 Coeur d'Alene Garden Club, GCII Affiliate Member as of June 2014.

#### Presentations

Regional Director 2015-2017, Kristie Livreri, NGCI; Vicki Yuen, Alternate Director, NGCI

NGC Nominating Committee 2015-2017

Idaho: Sandra Ford, Member; Robyn McCarthy, Alternate California: Charlene (Shane) Looper, Member; Julie West, Alternate

# Chairman Reports

Chairman Reports Coordinator Kristie Livreri presented the following chairmen who reported:

Julie West, Awards
Robin Pokorski, 2018 California NGC Convention
Debbie Skow, Youth Award Liaison
Greg Pokorski, NGC Educational Schools
Orvalita Hopkins, Birds Chairman

Rilla Crane, Endangered Species Chairman
Debbie Skow, Horticulture Therapy Chairman
Robyn McCarthy, Trees & Shrubs Chairman
Becky Hassebroek, President's Project Wildlife Chairman
Sandra Ford, Director's Project
Alexis Slafer, President's Project Education Chairman
Inez Thomason, Butterflies Chairman
Garnet Ascher, Life Membership Chairman
Joan Craig & Carol Parrott, Grants Co-Chairman
Marilyn Oberti, President's Project Liaison
Kristie Livreri, Scholarship Chairman

# **Invitation to Conventions**

Rita Desilets, Convention Coordinator, presented the following:

Sherry Cossey, Shirley Schmidt, Peggy Olin and Garnet Ascher presented the invitation to the 2015 Convention in Eugene, Oregon.

Vicki Yuen presented the invitation to the 2016 Convention in Henderson, Nevada in June, 2016 with Nancy Loesch as Chairman.

The meeting recessed at 10:48 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:25 p.m. Thursday, July 3, 2014.

# Final Credentials Report

Carol Norquist, Credentials Chairman, moved to adopt the Final Credentials Report as presented with a voting strength of 55. Motion passed.

#### **Final Registration Report**

Maxine Smolowitz, Registrar, presented the final Registration Report of 128 for information only.

#### **Courtesy Resolution**

Joan Craig presented the Courtesy Resolution and moved to adopt. Motion adopted. Copy attached.

## Benediction

Terry Critchlow, WACONIAH Circulation Chairman gave the Benediction.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. Sine Die.

Sheila Parcel,

**Recording Secretary** 

Sheila Parcel, Recording Secretary	Date	
Elaine Gunderson, Regional Director	Date	
Carol Parrott, Alternate Director - Chairman	Date	
Kristie Livreri, Corresponding Secretary	Date	
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