# Pacific Region of National Garden Clubs, Inc. 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention Minutes April 20-22, 2015 – Hilton Hotel, Eugene, Oregon

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order April 21, 2015 at 10:34 a.m. by Pacific Region Director Elaine Gunderson. The Recording Secretary was present.

#### **Introductions**

The Director introduced the Executive Committee members, members of the NGC Board of Directors including President-elect Sandra Robinson, 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 48. 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

Sherry Cossey, Convention Chairman, moved to adopt the Convention Program as corrected. Motion passed.

#### **Initial Registration Report**

Jennifer Rabner, Registrar, presented the Initial Registration Report with total registration of 86.

## Appointment of the Committee to Approve the Minutes

Without objection the Director appointed the following to approve the minutes:

Carol Mossholder, AFGC President – Chairman

Becky Hassebroek, Alaska State Garden Clubs President

Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian

#### Appointment of the Timekeepers

Without objection, the following were appointed as timekeepers:

Karen Brown and Evalee Pearns

#### **Introduction of Pages**

Tanja Swanson, NGC President-Elect's Page; Gaye Stewart, Regional Director's Page; Ruth Fry, Convention Chair's Page; Fran Tierce, Member's Convention Page.

#### Report of Committee Appointed to Approve Minutes

Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian, reported that the minutes of the July 2014 Convention meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho were reviewed and approved by the review committee and distributed on August 10, 2014.

## Report of the Board of Directors

Recording Secretary Sheila Parcel reported the following:

- 1) The 2015-2016 Pacific Region budget was adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 2) The 2016 Pacific Region Convention Budget was adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 3) Revisions to Policy & Procedure Guidelines and Convention Procedure were approved by the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.
- 4) WSFGC's invitation to the 2017 Pacific Region Convention in the Puget Sound area was accepted.
- 5) The Board of Directors approved awarding two \$1,000 scholarships in 2016 and 2017.

## Reports of the Executive Committee

The following officers reported:

Elaine Gunderson, Pacific Region Director Sheila Parcel, Recording Secretary Gale Baullinger, Treasurer Jeanette Pruin, Historian Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian Kristie Livreri, Corresponding Secretary

## Reports of the State Presidents

The following state presidents reported:

Becky Hassebroek, Alaska Carol Mossholder, Arizona Rita Desilets, California Ann Swider, Hawaii Janet Peterson, Idaho Vickie Yuen, Nevada Peggy Olin, Oregon Brynn Tavasci, Washington

## **Memorial Service**

Memorial Service Chairman Shirley Schmidt conducted the memorial service.

Meeting recessed at 11:47 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:00 a.m. April 22, 2015.

#### Inspiration

Recording Secretary, Sheila Parcel gave the Inspiration.

#### **Interim Credentials Report**

Carol Norquist, Credentials Chairman, moved to adopt the Interim Credentials Report as presented with voting strength of 50. Motion adopted.

#### Interim Registration Report

Jennifer Rabner, Registrar, presented the Interim Registration Report with total registration of 93.

#### Reports of Executive Committee (cont.)

The following reported:

Robin Pokorski, *WACONIAH* Editor Carol Norquist, Website Chairman

#### **Chairman Reports**

Kristie Livreri, Corresponding Secretary, presented the following chairmen who reported:

Julie West, Pacific Regions Awards Chairman (read by co-chair Robin Pokorski)

Greg Pokorski, NGC Schools Chairman

Sally Priebe, Gardening Study Schools Chairman

Terry Critchlow, WACONIAH Subscription Booster Chairman

Jeanette Pruin, Policy & Procedure & Convention Guidelines Chairman

Maxine Smolowitz, PR Fundraiser Chairman (read by Gale Baullinger)

Juanita Peterson, Publicity/Public Relations Chairman (read by Sheila Parcel)

Becky Hassebroek, Backyard Habitat Chairman

Josephine Goodenow, Bees Chairman

Orvalita Hopkins, Birds Chairman

Alexis Slafer, NGC's President's Project Education Liaison Chairman

Becky Hassebroek, Upcoming President's Project

Lee Pearns, Blue Star Marker Chairman

Kristie Livreri, Scholarship Chairman

Brynn Tavasci, Youth Recycled Sculpture Chairman

#### Announcements

Elaine Gunderson announced that NGC's partnership with AMES will continue in 2015-2016. Information is now listed on NGC Website under Ongoing Projects.

#### 2014 Convention Report

Sandy Ford presented the final report on the 2014 Coeur d'Alene Convention, advising there were net proceeds of \$4,631.76 (\$3,705.41 to Pacific Region and \$926.35 to Idaho Garden Clubs).

#### Invitation to Conventions

Rita Desilets, Convention Coordinator, presented the following:

Vicki Yuen, Kristie Livreri & Nancy Loesch presented the invitation to the 2016 Convention in Henderson, Nevada at the Green Valley Resort April 4-8, 2016.

Brynn Tavasci presented the invitation to the 2017 Convention in the South Puget Sound area in April, 2017.

The meeting recessed at 10:14 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:27 pm April 22, 2015.

## Pacific Region Director's Project Awards

Pacific Region Director's Project Awards were presented by Sandra Ford with 1<sup>st</sup> place (\$300) to Alaska, 2<sup>nd</sup> place (\$150) to Idaho, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place (\$75) to Washington.

#### Final Credentials Report

Carol Norquist, Credentials Chairman, moved to adopt the Final Credentials Report as presented with voting strength of 51. Motion passed.

#### **Final Registration Report**

Jenifer Rabner, Registrar, presented the Final Registration Report with total registration of 96 for information only.

#### **Courtesy Resolution**

Joan Craig presented the Courtesy Resolution and moved its adoption. Motion adopted. Copy attached.

#### Installation of 2015-2017 Officers

Sandra H Robinson, NGC President-elect, installed the 2015-2017 Executive Committee.

#### Acceptance Speech

2015-2017 Pacific Region Director Kristie Livreri delivered an acceptance speech.

#### Benediction

Shirley Schmidt, Memorial Service Chairman, gave the Benediction.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. Sine Die

Sheila Parcel

**Recording Secretary**