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Memorandum

Date: December 19, 2007
To: Board of Directors
From: Nancy Dawes, Chair
Subject: National Council Delegates

In order to have national council delegates prepared for the 2008 National Council Session, which takes place in October, 2008, it is necessary for the board of directors to take action.

According to the bylaws of Girl Scouts of Western Ohio:

Article X, Section 1: "National Council Delegates who the Council is entitled to elect to the National Council shall be elected at the Annual Meeting held within the year preceding the regular meeting of the National Council, for a term of three years, or until their successors are elected."

Article X, Section 3B: "The Board or the Chair of the Council shall fill any vacancies among the National Council Delegates to the National Council from among the Alternate National Council Delegates. If no Alternate National Council Delegate is available, the Board, or the Chair of the Council, in the absence of a meeting or a written consent of the Board, shall fill the vacancies among the National Council Delegates to serve the unexpired term."

Girl Scouts of Western Ohio is entitled to have 41 National Council Delegates. Because we will not have an annual meeting in 2008 and, based on Article X of the bylaws, the board is asked to approve the following procedure for appointment of National Council Delegates for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio, to be carried out by the Board Development Committee.

1. All National Council Delegates elected in 2005 from each of the four legacy councils will be polled for their interest and eligibility to serve in 2008. Those who meet eligibility requirements and who are willing to serve, will be placed on the slate.
2. All Alternate National Council Delegates elected in 2005 from each of the four legacy councils will be polled for their interest and eligibility to serve in 2008. Those who meet eligibility requirements and who are willing to serve, will be considered for placement on the slate to fill vacancies. In order to maintain geographic representation, preference will be given to place Alternate National Council Delegates from each legacy council in vacant positions from the same council.

3. Any positions that continue to remain vacant after eligible, willing Alternate National Council Delegates have been placed, will be open to any interested council member who meets the eligibility requirements. A notice will go out to all members through the council website, requesting a brief letter of interest and biographical sketch. The Board Development Committee will establish a process to review the letters of interest and determine which members will be selected for placement on the slate.
4. A slate of National Council Delegates and Alternate National Council Delegates will be submitted to the board of directors for approval.

Timeline:

January 2008	Board approves process for selection of National Council Delegates Board Development Committee identifies National Council Delegates who are eligible and willing to serve
February 2008	Board Development Committee identifies Alternate National Council Delegates who are eligible and willing to serve. Place Alternate Council Delegates in vacant positions. Notice is placed on council website, soliciting interested members to fill vacant positions as National Council Delegates and Alternate National Council Delegates.
March 2008	Board votes on slate of National Council Delegates and Alternate National Council Delegates Those selected are notified of appointment