

Association 51 Minutes
May 15, 2003

1. The quorum was met (34) and the meeting was called to order by Betsy Montgomery (Association Chair) at 7:35 PM.
2. Brownie Troop 4106 from 51-7 lead by Carol Burns opened with a flag ceremony. They then demonstrated the game, Meet My Friend.
3. Betsy Montgomery welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced our distinguished guests.
4. Regina Perez presented the minutes from the Fall meeting. Eddie Mae Walker motioned that the minutes be accepted. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous to accept the minutes.
5. Anne Parrish (Association Treasurer) presented the Treasurer's Report (see attachment). A motion was made to accept the report, the motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous to accept it.
6. Karen Fowler presented the work of the Nominating and Referral Committee. Karen (the Chair of the Committee) presented the slate for new committee members for the term 2003-2006. Sandy Alexander (51-1) and Liz Carroll (51-7). She then asked for nominations from the floor. Donna Frederick (51-5), Karen Klenk (51-9) and Cathy Gordon (51-11) were nominated. Ballots were passed out and then collected. All nominees were voted in.
7. State of the Service Unit Reports were given by Service Unit Representatives.
 - 51-1 Janet Drury reported their Fall Encampment held at Camp May Flather. They had a Wild West Theme complete with blow-up cows, and obstacle course, panning for gold, made denim purses, had lasso lessons and a shoot out with water guns.
 - 51-5 Jackie *Gadma*- Jan reported on their Thinking Day activities. Three member of Alph Kappa Alpha organized the event at Reston Community Center. Each troop presented an article for a fact book.
 - 51-7 Starla *Purinten* told about their Adopt-a-Freshman at College activity. Each troop had a girl and sent them cards and little gifts. The SU sent 48 cases of GS cookies to our GI's.
 - 51-9 Veronica Lopez explained that the SU had troops responsible for their activities instead of having committees. They held a Lock-In, a Leader Daughter event and a Jr. Badge Day.
 - 51-11 Chelle Youmans reported on a Mother-Daughter *Tea* and a Origami Workshop held by a Cadette Troop for younger girls.
8. Betsy Montgomery asked for suggestions from the floor for an Association Activity. Eddie Mae Walker (51-11) suggested earning badge activities for each level with SU being responsible for one level. Janet Drury (51-1) suggested a Lock-In at Reston YMCA though only one level could be accommodated at a time due to space limitations. A compromise was reached. Each SU would choose an activity to be offered for a level on an association wide basis. The levels were assigned by drawing out of a hat. 51-1 drew Cadettes, 51-5 has Daisies, 51-7 Seniors, 51-9 Brownies and 51-11 Juniors.
9. A question was asked as to how girls from the Association could receive funds for Wider-Ops. It was explained that the girls were write a letter to the Association asking for the funds. They are expected to report on their trips at the Fall Association meeting and for young girls, as a Thank-you for the assistance.
10. Kath Delia (Chair) of the Recognitions Committee gave her report and presentations. 9

women received Outstanding Volunteer awards and 15 Leaders in Association 51 received outstanding awards. 24 Graduating Seniors received letters from the Committee. Service Unit Managers, Trainers, Delegates, Nominations and Referral Committee, and the Recognitions Committee all received bookmarks as a token of thanks. That included just about everyone in the room, many more than once, Regina Perez was awarded the Ashgrove Award for her years of service as a troop leader, summer day camp volunteer, SU Cookie Manager, delegate and Association Secretary. The Association *Board* also received small tokens of recognitions.

11. Judy Baldwin presented Kathryn Kahn with the GSUSA Daisy award pin. Kathryn has given numerous hours of time to Girl Scouts. She has done it all. She founded the troop at Herndon Resource Center. She has been a Trainer, Acting Association Chair, Association Secretary, Delegate, Association Share Chair, Association Calendar Chair and Depot, an SU Manager and spent numerous hours on the Mobile Van and at the Centreville GS Shop. A huge ovation was given.

12. Judy Baldwin gave Mary Saunders' Cookie Report. 1547 girls sold 144,644 boxes of cookies, 3 % of Total Sales. 4 Girls sold over 500 boxes, 29 Troops received the Troop Incentive- weather radios. There are no debts owed Council. Judy also announced the Bear Necklaces were back-ordered.

13. There was no QSP report.

14. Eddie Mae Walker gave the Share report. We made our Association goal. 3 SU, 51-7, 51-9 and 51-11 met their goals. 51-1 had 100% Troop participation.

15. Judy Baldwin presented her Field Staff report (see attached) in her usual humorous manner. She also presented the Jelly Bean Jar.

16. Sandra King-Shaw complimented Betsy Montgomery on her 1st Association Chair meeting. Ms. King-Shaw stated that Betsy had a nice light and comfortable approach to her meeting and had assembled a good staff to assist her.

17. Betsy passed out gifts of cards to her SU managers.

18. Starlet *Puriton* (51-7) led us in Taps to close the meeting at 8:52 PM

Financial Report- Association 51

May 15, 2003

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GSCNC Association 51 Expense Statement for 2002-2003

AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FROM THE ASSOCIATION CHAIR

Report of the Chair of the Association Nominating and Referral Committee

(This information has been condensed from the form on file with the Association Chair.)

Ashgrove West/ 51

Karen Fowler- Chair

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Names of Nominating and Referral Committee Members:

Karen Klenk 2002-2005

Cathy Gordon 2002-2005
Donna Frederick 2002-2005
Sandy Alexander 2003-2006
Liz Carroll 2003-2006

presented by Karen Fowler- N&R Chair
accepted by Betsy Montgomery- Association Chair
May 15th, 2003

Field Staff Report to the Association
Ashgrove West
May 15, 2003
by
Judy Baldwin

CATEGORY	3/31/03	3/31/02	% CHANGE
GIRLS	1,957	1,930	1.4%
ADULTS	1,014	1,057	-4.1%
TOTALS	2,971	2,987	-0.005%
TROOPS	188	180	4.4%
SERVICE UNITS	5	5	0%

Summer Plans

Summer camps are in the planning and training stage right now.

Ashgrove Adventure will explore Hawaii and campers will earn the a patch offered by the Girl Scouts of Hawaii for Malihinis (that is, we non-Islanders). Aloha

Camp Firefly will welcome an invasions of ‘toons’ as it plays around with a Nick at Night theme from sponge Bob Square Pants sponge painting to the mysteries of Dexter’s Lab.

Camp Fairfax will travel through the years exploring periods of time from the long, long ago to the here and now. Campers will joust, dance, explore and learn in an ever expanding time frame.

“Mahalo” and “Thank you” to all the volunteers.

The **Girl Scout Sampler Camp** at Holy Cross Church in Herndon will offer six weeks of afternoon program to girls in our targeted outreach areas as well as current Girls Scouts who want a different experience.

Thanks to our retiring Service Unit Managers, who will be missed.

Cindy Wagner 51-1

Melissa Pearlman 51-5

Starla Purinton 51-7

Sue Coulter 51-11

And bravo for our returning Service Unit Managers

Jani Drury 51-1

Kathryn Kahn 51-1

Jackie Jan 51-5

Donna Frederick 51-5

Nancy Willis 51-7

Veronica Lopez 51-9

Phyllis Martin 51-11

Chelle Youmans 51-11

And welcome to our new Service Unit Managers

Tracy Thomas 51-7

Carolyn Faraday 51-11

Thanks too to our outstanding registrars

To Julie Beach, 51-1 and Teresa Morris, 51-5, who are retiring.

To Nora Thompson, 51-7, Sharon Kraftchak, 51-9, and Carol Frost, 51-11 who are continuing.

And welcome to Cindy Wagner, 51-1 and Lisa Brinnstool, 51-5 who are learning the job this Spring.