Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Board of Directors Meeting & Annual Retreat Camp Saki, June 28-29, 2013

The GMISTS Board of Directors began the Annual Retreat with a board meeting. The board meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Becker Witt and a quorum was present.

Board Action Items:

- Accepted 3 board member resignations: Secretary Dareather Greer and Board members-at-large Kim Bode and Justin Swan.
- Appointed two new board members: as Secretary, Patsy Eisler from Big Rapids; as Board member-at-large, Wafa Adib-Lobo from the Grand Rapids area, who will continue to serve on the Board Development Committee.
- Appointed Bunmi Parks as Chair for the Human Resources Policy and Compensation Task Group.
- Appointed two additional board members to the executive committee.
- Reviewed and accepted the Council's Form 990 prior to filing with the IRS.
- Board reviewed with CEO her progress with yearly goals and objectives

Reports:

- CEO report focused on Membership Accomplishments and Fund Development update. GSMISTS
 membership has exceeded the 2011-2012 membership year totals. GSMISTS was recognized by
 GSUSA as being the first council in the country to have accomplished year-over-year membership
 growth.
- VP of Finance and Business Operations Report: Progress update on council technology; retail sales; product sales; uncollected cookie sale outstanding balances.

Joining us for our retreat was Monna Loftis and Jan Hann from GSUSA National team to lead our discussion

Overall Retreat Outcomes:

- Connection to our Mission: Remembering the Reason for our Board Service Building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.
- Getting to know our Board Colleagues Building Our Board Team; identified individual board members strengths with application to the board's role
- In-depth discussion of our Board's Governance Roles and Responsibilities: Legal, Fiduciary, Decision-Influencing, Board Committees
- Accomplished planned Board strategic discussions
 - Reviewed progress and status of the Property Task Group
 - The Board committed to seek decision influencing input regarding property, from the membership, in Fall 2013
 - Long-term council financial discussion and planning.

The Board Retreat ended on Saturday afternoon. The Board also completed a tour of Camp Saki and enjoyed a campfire and the roasting of marshmallows.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

Mary K Becker-Witt Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Chairperson