

Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore

Property Task Group Recommendations (2014-2016):

1. We recommend that no council property be sold and no major capital improvements be made until a thorough strategic learning process has been completed.
2. We recommend that membership and staff be challenged to increase and demonstrate usage of all properties for the purposes of indicating value of each property and its support of G.S. programming. Action steps could include:
 - Upgrade and simplify the registration/reservation system for property use.
 - Develop a unified council-wide reporting process to report usage from all groups (both internal and external) for each property (See Appendix I)
 - Implement a way to inform and update membership about property amenities and usage possibilities (in addition to council generated programs).
3. We recommend that the council develop a system of property budgeting, communication & oversight, which could include:
 - Council wide staff position (Property Liaison)
 - Local Property Advocacy groups
 - Board appointed on-going Property Committee.
 - An identifiable line item in the budget for property repair and maintenance, excluding capital improvements.
 - Active and ongoing plan for communication with membership throughout this process.
4. We recommend updated risk assessments for each property including the creation and implementation of action plans.
5. We recommend the development of a combined strategic facility plan for the two resident camps, those being: Camp Sakakawea (Traverse City) & Camp Anna Behrens (Greenville).
6. We recommend regular review of the progress made on these Recommendations.

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