

Message from GSLPG CEO Rachel Broussard and Board Chair Haley Norris

In July, the National Board for Girl Scouts of the USA called for a Special 57th Council Session focused on proposals to increase membership dues. Delegates from all Girl Scout councils will come together on Oct. 19 for this special session of the National Council to discuss and vote on these proposals.

As members of Girl Scouts of Louisiana – Pines to the Gulf delegation, we’re reaching out to you -- the membership of Girl Scouts Pines to the Gulf -- to share your input on the proposals and take your suggestions with us into this special session.

The National Board recommends that annual youth membership be \$85 and annual adult membership be \$45. If the proposal is approved at that level, there would be a three-year phase-in approach and five years of council financial assistance from GSUSA. These incentives are determined by the National Board and apply only at certain levels of dues increase.

We need your input. To collect the feedback of as many members as possible, we’ve created a short survey linked here. It should take no more than 10 minutes to complete. The survey results will be reviewed by our delegation and taken into consideration as we cast our vote in the National Council Session. The survey will close on Oct. 11.

Because this is a complicated issue and we want your most informed opinions, we highly recommend you take 15 minutes to [watch this video of GSUSA’s CEO Bonnie Barczykowski describing the proposals before completing the survey.](#)

You can also Join us at our 2024 Regional Meeting to discuss proposals for increasing membership dues. We'll be meeting on Wednesday, October 9 at the Lafayette Office and on Tuesday, October 15 at the Shreveport Office from 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. You can also participate virtually on Wednesday, September 9. Register for the regional meetings [HERE](#) and click [HERE](#) for the Regional Meeting Pre-reads to learn even more about the GSUSA Membership Increase Proposal. Your input is valuable!

[Survey Link](#)