

**NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.**  
**2021 – 2023 ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES**

**Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

**Call to order and welcome:** President Mary Warshauer called the ninety-first Convention of the Board of Directors of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. to order at 2:15 PM, EDT on Tuesday, May 17, 2022.

**Inspiration:** Heather White, Penny Pines Chair, presented the Inspiration.

**Introductions:** The President introduced the former Presidents of NGC who were Present: Kitty Larkin (2005-2007); Barbara May (2007-2009); Shirley Nicolai (2011-2013) and Gay Austin (2019-2021).

**Quorum:** The Chair declared a quorum present.

**Approval of Rules of The Board of Directors Meeting:** The Convention Rules were read and adopted.

**Adoption of agenda with appendices A and B:** The agenda with appendices A and B was adopted as amended.

**Committee to approve minutes:** The President appointed the following committee to approve the minutes of this meeting -

Donna Rouch, Second Vice President, Chair  
Donna Marie Donnelly, Third Vice President  
Gerianne Holzman, Corresponding Secretary

**Timekeepers:** The President appointed Anna O'Kelly, President, the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc. and Sue Miner, President of the New Hampshire Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. to serve as timekeepers.

**Report of the committees appointed to approve the minutes:**

Donna Rouch, reported that the minutes of the September 24, 2021, Board of Directors' meeting were approved and distributed.

**Acceptance of Resignations:**

Isabel Olsen – Organization Study Committee and Nominating Committee  
Darlene Newell – Virtual Resources Committee  
Laura Grainger – Virtual Resources Committee  
Trish Bender – Virtual Resources Committee  
Jo Krallman – Flower Show School Exam Chairman

**ACCEPTED WITH REGRET**

**The following appointments have been approved by the Executive Committee subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.**

Susan Yoder – Organization Study Committee  
Lynne Ehnert – Chairman, High School Distinguished Service Project Award  
Valerie Seinfeld – Website Committee (Video Liaison)  
Shirley Tetreault – 2021-2023 Nominating Committee (representing New Mexico, the South Central Region)  
Victoria Schmidt – NGC 2024 Convention Chairman  
Audrey Coyle – NGC 2024 Convention Vice Chairman  
Jackie Davies – Handbook Exam Chair  
Sue Kirkman – Handbook Exam Chair for Central Atlantic, Rocky Mountain and Pacific Regions

**APPROVED**

**Reports of Officers:** All Officers deferred their reports until Wednesday May 18, 2022 Business Meeting.

**Other Reports:** Bill Trapp, Executive Director, copy on file.

**Final report of the 2021 NGC Conference, held via zoom:** Pat Wilson Report filed.

**ADOPTED**

**Final report of the 2021 NGC Fall Board Meeting, held via zoom:** Pat Wilson Report filed.

**ADOPTED**

**Report on the 2020-2021 audit:** Donna Rouch, Chair presented the final 2020-2021 Audit Report.

**ADOPTED**

**Adoption of the NGC 2022-2023 budget (see attachment):** Lynette Jeffres, Treasurer

**ADOPTED**

**Recommendations from Executive Committee: Please refer to Agenda Appendices A and B for complete list of Executive Committee recommendations requiring Board ratification.**

1. That a separate expense line item be added to the NGC annual budget for meeting event planning and site management services. Expenses are to be paid directly from NGC funds and removed from the associated meeting budget.

**ADOPTED**

2. That a separate expense line item be added to the NGC annual budget for speakers, workshops, and audio/visual expenses for the NGC Convention.

**ADOPTED**

3. That the Procedure/Guidelines for the Media Committee be approved. (Please refer to attachment for full document). **ADOPTED**

4. That the new International Affiliate Club #707 be ratified. **ADOPTED**

5. That the new International Affiliate Club #708 be ratified **ADOPTED**

6. That the \$1200 stipend for Executive Committee travel be removed from the NGC budget, starting with the 2025-2026 budget.

Line 72	Officer's Expenses	5 x \$1200 =	\$6000
Line 73	Region Directors	8 x \$1200 =	\$9600
Line 75	Corresponding Secretary		\$1200
Line 77	Parliamentarian		\$1200
Line 79	Historian		\$1200

**ADOPTED**

7. That minutes of Executive Board meetings, once approved, be promptly published on the Board Member Restricted area of the NGC website, <https://gardenclub.org>. **ADOPTED**

8. The Board of Directors approve payment of dues from NGC to the World Association of Floral Artists (WAFA). Motion made by Barbara May; motion seconded. **ADOPTED**

**Recommendations of amendments to the Standing Rules:** Refer to appendix B for full content.

**Standing Rules proposals –**

11. Sponsorship Committee, page 27.

Subsidiary motion made by Julie West and seconded that this be referred back to the Organization Study Committee for further review and that the Committee report back to the Board of Directors' Meeting at the 2023 Convention.

**SUBSIDIARY MOTION PASSED**

12. Awards (NGC), page 4, **RATIFIED**

13. Awards (NGC), page 5, **RATIFIED**

14. Awards (NGC), page 5, **RATIFIED**

15. Finance, page 9, **RATIFIED**

16. Headquarters – Executive Director, page 14, **RATIFIED**

17. *The National Gardener*, page 28, **RATIFIED**

18. Meetings and NGC-sponsored events, page 18, **RATIFIED**

**Amendments to the Bylaws: These Bylaws will go on to the National Convention, 2023 for ratification.**

**Bylaw Proposals -**

- 1. Article VI - Membership, Section 1 - Voting Membership, B **APPROVED**
- 2. Article VI - Membership, Section 2 - Non-Voting Membership, A **APPROVED**
- 3. Article VI - Membership, Section 2 - Non-Voting Membership, B 2 **APPROVED**
- 4. Article VII - Dues, Fees and Contributions, Section 1, Dues, A 2 **APPROVED**
- 5. Article VII - Dues, Fees and Contributions, Section 1, Dues, A 5 **APPROVED**
- 6. Article VII - Dues, Fees and Contributions, Section 1, Dues B; Section 2, Fees **APPROVED**
- 7. Article IX - Duties of Officers Elected Officers, Section 5, Third Vice President **APPROVED**
- 8. Article XII - Conventions and Meetings, Section 3, Credentials **APPROVED**
- 9. Article IX - Duties of Officers, Elected Officers **APPROVED**
- 10. Article XVI - Committees Section 6, Organization Study Committee **APPROVED**

**Reports of Chairmen:** Heather White, Penny Pines Chairman. Report on file.  
 Judy Grotts, Nominating Committee Vice-Chairman reported on NGC 2023 - 2025  
 Officer applications. Report on file.

**Date of future Board of Directors' Meeting:** Thursday, September 22, 2022  
 St. Louis, MO.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, President Mary Warshauer adjourned the meeting at 3:56 PM, EDT.

<small>Authentisign</small> <i>Monica Hansen</i> <small>6/25/2022 7:53:49 PM EDT</small>	06/25/2022
<b>Monica Hansen, Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Date</b>
<small>Authentisign</small> <i>Mary Warshauer</i> <small>6/20/2022 9:20:52 AM EDT</small>	06/20/2022
<b>Mary Warshauer, President</b>	<b>Date</b>
<small>Authentisign</small> <i>Donna Rouch</i> <small>6/23/2022 12:42:03 PM EDT</small>	06/23/2022
<b>Donna Rouch, Second Vice President</b>	<b>Date</b>
<small>Authentisign</small> <i>Donna Marie Donnelly</i> <small>6/24/2022 3:29:56 PM EDT</small>	06/24/2022
<b>Donna Marie Donnelly, Third Vice President</b>	<b>Date</b>
<small>Authentisign</small> <i>Gerianne Holzman</i> <small>6/24/2022 4:07:02 PM EDT</small>	06/24/2022
<b>Gerianne Holzman, Corresponding Secretary</b>	<b>Date</b>

**APPENDIX TO THE AGENDA OF THE NGC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022, ORLANDO FLORIDA  
APPENDIX A**

The following recommendations were approved by the NGC Executive Committee during meetings held January 26, 2022, and May 9, 2022 (both meetings via Zoom):

1. That a separate expense line item be added to the NGC annual budget for meeting event planning and site management services. Expenses are to be paid directly from NGC funds and removed from the associated meeting budget.
2. That a separate expense line item be added to the NGC annual budget for speakers, workshops, and audio/visual expenses for the NGC Convention.
3. That the Procedure/Guidelines for the Media Committee be approved. (Please refer to attachment for full document).
4. That the new International Affiliate Club #707 be ratified.
5. That the new International Affiliate Club #708 be ratified (Jueces de Honduras – Club de Jardineria de Sa Honduras).
6. That the \$1200 stipends for Executive Committee travel be removed from the NGC budget, starting with the 2023-2023 budget:

Line 72 Officer's Expenses	5x\$1200	\$6000
Line 73 Region Directors	8x\$1200	\$9600
Line 75 Corresponding Secretary		\$1200
Line 77 Parliamentarian		\$1200
Line 79 Historian		\$1200

*Rationale: Winter Executive Committee meeting is now virtual. The Executive Committee will not incur travel expenses since the Executive Committee will no longer have to travel to the Winter Executive Committee meeting. Both the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors now have the same travel requirements, which is travel to the Convention and Fall Board.*

7. That minutes of the Executive Board meetings, once approved, be promptly published on the Board Member Restricted Area of the NGC website, <https://gardenclub.org>

*Rationale: A tax exempt public charity with over \$4.8 million gross receipts and \$23 million assets should operate with more transparency and less secrecy, back channels, and word of mouth. Our future requires more openness.*

**NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.  
 BYLAW AMENDMENTS FOR PRESENTATION TO  
 2022 NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 ROSEN PLAZA, ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

**APPENDIX**

May 17, 2022

**KEY** – underline means insert words  
~~strikethrough~~ means omit words

NGC BYLAWS Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amended
<p><b>Proposal #1</b>  <b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b>  <b>Section 1. - VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b>                      B. Application                      Application shall be submitted to the NGC Board of Directors from the State Garden Club. Application shall be accompanied by per capita dues and a typewritten list of names and addresses of state officers in order of rank, and state chairmen; and names of member clubs in alphabetical order including the names and addresses of the Presidents.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b>  <b>Section 1. - VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b>                      B. Application                      Application shall be submitted by <u>the State Garden Club to NGC Headquarters and approved by the NGC Board of Directors.</u> <del>from the State Garden Club.</del> Application shall be accompanied by per capita dues and a typewritten list of names and addresses of state officers in order of rank, and state chairmen; and names of member clubs in alphabetical order including the names and addresses of the Presidents.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b>  <b>Section 1. - VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b>                      B. Application                      Application shall be submitted by the State Garden Club to NGC Headquarters and approved by the NGC Board of Directors. Application shall be accompanied by per capita dues and a typewritten list of names and addresses of state officers in order of rank, and state chairmen; and names of member clubs in alphabetical order including the names and addresses of the Presidents. <b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** Membership applications will be submitted to NGC headquarters and approved by the Board of Directors.

<p><b>NGC BYLAWS</b> Current Wording</p>	<p>Proposed Amendment</p>	<p>Would Read After Amended</p>
<p><b>Proposal #2</b> <b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> A. NGC Life Members</p> <p>NGC Life Membership shall be accorded to an individual who is a member or a non-member of a garden club by submitting an application and contribution through the NGC Life Membership Chairman. All NGC Life Members shall receive a subscription to <i>The National Gardener</i>, if requested.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> A. NGC Life Members</p> <p>NGC Life Membership shall be accorded to an individual who is a member or a non-member of a garden club by submitting an application and contribution through the NGC Life Membership Chairman. All <del>NGC Life Members</del> shall <del>receive a subscription to <i>The National Gardener</i>, if requested.</del></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> A. NGC Life Members</p> <p>NGC Life Membership shall be accorded to an individual who is a member or a non-member of a garden club by submitting an application and contribution through the NGC Life Membership Chairman.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** *The TNG is free and available to both the membership and the public.*

<p><b>NGC BYLAWS</b> <b>Current Wording</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed Amendment</b></p>	<p><b>Would Read After Amended</b></p>
<p><b>Proposal #3</b> <b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> B. 2. International Affiliate Membership--Organizations in a foreign country. Affiliate Membership may be accorded to such organizations by the submission of an application and required dues to NGC Headquarters. Admission shall be by approval of the Executive Committee, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors. Affiliate Members shall receive the <b>Call to the NGC Convention</b> in the Winter issue of <i>The National Gardener</i> mailed to the address designated. via electronic device. Affiliates shall also be able to receive the Call by electronic device. All other communications shall be by e-mail.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> B. 2. International Affiliate Membership--Organizations in a foreign country. Affiliate Membership may be accorded to such organizations by the submission of an application and required dues to NGC Headquarters. Admission shall be by approval of the Executive Committee, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors. Affiliate Members shall receive the <b>Call to the NGC Convention</b> in the <del>Winter issue of <i>The National Gardener</i> mailed to the address designated.</del> on the <u>COMAAI and NGC websites.</u> Affiliates <del>shall also be able to receive the Call by electronic device.</del> All other communication shall be <u>by e-mail-electronic.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Section 2. - NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP</b> B. 2. International Affiliate Membership--Organizations in a foreign country. Affiliate Membership may be accorded to such organizations by the submission of an application and required dues to NGC Headquarters. Admission shall be by approval of the Executive Committee, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors. Affiliate Members shall receive the <b>Call to the NGC Convention</b> on the COMAAI and NGC websites. All communication shall be electronic. <b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** TNG will be sent via electronic device to all that have subscribed.



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<p><b>Proposal #4</b>  <b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 2. Annual dues shall be delinquent after October 31. Notices of dues unpaid as of the Fall Board Meeting shall be given by the NGC First Vice-President/President-Elect to the Region Directors and State Garden Club Presidents at that meeting.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 2. Annual dues shall be delinquent after October 31. Notices of dues unpaid as of the Fall Board Meeting shall be given by the NGC First Vice-President/President-Elect and Liaison to the Region Directors and State Garden Club Presidents at that meeting.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 2. Annual dues shall be delinquent after October 31. Notices of dues unpaid shall be given to the NGC First Vice-President/President-Elect and Liaison to the State Garden Club Presidents and Region Directors.   <b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** Headquarters shall request State membership counts prior to sending an invoice for dues payment.

NGC BYLAWS Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amended
<p><b>Proposal #5</b>  <b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 5. Additional dues payment for members not included in the original report shall be remitted by a State Garden Club to NGC Headquarters prior to the following year. These additional dues will be utilized in tabulating the number of delegates to the NGC Conventions.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 5. Additional dues payment for members not included in the <del>original report</del> State Roster shall be remitted by a State Garden Club to NGC Headquarters prior to March 31 of the following year. These additional dues will be utilized in tabulating the number of delegates to the NGC Conventions.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  <b>Section 1. - DUES</b>                      A. 5. Additional dues payment for members not included in the State Roster shall be remitted by a State Garden Club to NGC Headquarters prior to March 31 of the following year. These additional dues will be utilized in tabulating the number of delegates to the NGC Conventions.   <b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** Define 'original report'.

<p><b>NGC BYLAWS</b> Current Wording</p>	<p>Proposed Amendment</p>	<p>Would Read After Amended</p>
<p>Proposal #6 <b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b> <b>Section 1. - DUES</b> B. Annual Dues of Affiliate Member Organizations 1. Annual dues of each National Affiliate Member organization shall be \$30.00 per annum payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. 2. Annual dues of each International Affiliate Member organization shall be \$35.00 per annum payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. <b>Section 2. -- FEES</b> One annual fee for all Youth Gardener groups within a State Garden Club or country shall be \$10.00 per state or country payable by October 31.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b> <b>Section 1. - DUES</b> B. Annual Dues of Affiliate Member Organizations 1. Annual dues of each National Affiliate Member organization shall be \$30.00 per annum, <u>as approved by the Board of Directors,</u> and payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. 2. Annual dues of each International Affiliate Member organization shall be \$35.00 per annum, <u>as approved by the Board of Directors,</u> and payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. <b>Section 2. -- FEES</b> One annual fee for all Youth Gardener groups within a State Garden Club or country shall be \$10.00 per state or country, <u>as approved by the Board of Directors,</u> and payable by October 31.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VII – DUES, FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b> <b>Section 1. - DUES</b> B. Annual Dues of Affiliate Member Organizations 1. Annual dues of each National Affiliate Member organization shall be \$30.00 per annum, as approved by the Board of Directors, and payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. 2. Annual dues of each International Affiliate Member organization shall be \$35.00 per annum, as approved by the Board of Directors, and payable to NGC Headquarters by October 31. <b>Section 2. -- FEES</b> One annual fee for all Youth Gardener groups within a State Garden Club or country shall be \$10.00 per state or country, as approved by the Board of Directors, and payable by October 31.</p>

APPROVED

*Rationale: All NGC dues amounts shall be approved by the Board of Directors.*

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<p>Proposal #7  <b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 5. THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      The Third Vice-President shall:                      E. Be responsible for publishing changes to NGC Standing Rules.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 5. THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      The Third Vice-President shall:                      E. Be responsible for publishing changes to NGC Standing Rules and shall <u>provide the entire revised document to the website to posting.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 5. THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      The Third Vice-President shall:                      E. Be responsible for publishing changes to NGC Standing Rules and shall provide the entire revised document to the website for posting. <b>APPROVED</b></p>

**Rationale:** *Changes to Standing Rules shall be placed on the NGC Website by the Third Vice President.*

NGC BYLAWS Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amended
<p>Proposal #8  <b>ARTICLE XII – CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS</b>  <b>Section 3. CREDENTIALS</b>                      A. Credentials of each delegate and Alternate shall be signed by the State Garden Club President and mailed to the NGC Credentials Chairman one month prior to the NGC Convention and shall be the official list of delegates and alternates of that State Garden Club.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE XII – CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS</b>  <b>Section 3. CREDENTIALS</b>                      A. <u>Credentials of Each State Garden Club President shall send a list of official delegates and alternates shall be signed by the State Garden Club President and to the NGC Credentials Chairman one month prior to the NGC Convention. and this shall be the official list of delegates and alternates of that State Garden Club.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE XII – CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS</b>  <b>Section 3. CREDENTIALS</b>                      A. Each State Garden Club President shall send a list of official delegates and alternates to the NGC Credentials Chairman one month prior to the NGC Convention. <b>APPROVED</b></p>

*Rationale: Each state shall have delegates at the NGC Convention.*

<p><b>Current Wording</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed Amendment</b></p>	<p><b>Would Read After Amended</b></p>
<p><b>Proposal #9</b>  <b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 2. – FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      F. Attend the meetings of the Organization Study Committee as a guest and participate except for the right to make motions and to vote.</p> <p><b>Section 4. – SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      E. Attend the meetings of the Organization Study Committee and participate except for the right to make motions and to vote</p> <p><b>Section 5. -- THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      D. Attend the meetings of the Finance Committee and the Permanent Home and Endowment Trustees and participate except for the right to make motions and to vote.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 2. – FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      F. <u>Attend the meetings</u> <u>Serve as a member of</u> the Organization Study Committee <u>as a guest</u> and participate <u>except for</u> <u>including</u> the right to make motions and to vote.</p> <p><b>Section 4. –SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      E. <u>Attend the meetings</u> <u>Serve as a member of</u> the Organization Study Committee and participate <u>except for</u> <u>including</u> the right to make motions and to vote</p> <p><b>Section 5. THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      D. <u>Attend the meetings of the Finance Committee and the Permanent Home and Endowment Trustees and participate except for the right to make motions and to vote.</u>  <u>Serves as a member of the Finance Committee.</u>                      E. <u>Serves as ex officio a member of the Permanent Home and Endowment Trustees</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS ELECTED OFFICERS</b>  <b>Section 2. – FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      F. Serve as a member of the Organization Study Committee.</p> <p><b>Section 4. –SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      E. Serve as a member of the Organization Study Committee and participate including the right to make motions and to vote</p> <p><b>Section 5. THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT</b>                      D. Serve as a member of the Finance Committee.                      E. Serves as ex officio a member of the Permanent Home and Endowment Trustees.</p> <p><b>RELETTTER:</b>                      APPROVED</p>

*Rationale: Conforming. As NGC officers, the Vice President's accumulate much experience and knowledge and should be granted the right to make motions and vote at the committees in which they participate.*

<p><b>NGC BYLAWS</b>  <b>Current Wording</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed Amendment</b></p>	<p><b>Would Read After Amended</b></p>
<p><b>Proposal # 10</b>  <b>ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES</b>  <b>Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE</b>                      The Organization Study Committee shall consist of the Third Vice-President as Chairman and no more than eight members appointed by the President. The Second Vice-President, the Parliamentarian and the Executive Director shall attend the meetings and participate except for the right to make motions and the right to vote. The First Vice-President may attend as a guest.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES</b>  <b>Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE</b>                      The Organization Study Committee shall consist of the Third Vice-President serving as Chairman, the First Vice President, the Second Vice President, and no more than <u>six</u> members appointed by the President. <del>The Second Vice-President</del>. The Parliamentarian and the Executive Director shall <del>attend the meetings and participate except for the right to make motions and the right to vote.</del> <u>serve as ex officio non-voting members. The First Vice-President may attend as a guest.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES</b>  <b>Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE</b>                      The Organization Study Committee shall consist of the Third Vice-President serving as Chairman, the First Vice President, the Second Vice President, and no more than six members appointed by the President. The Parliamentarian and the Executive Director shall serve as ex officio non-voting members.  <p style="text-align: right;"><b>APPROVED</b></p> </p>

**Rationale:** *The NGC Vice Presidents will be members of the Organization Study Committee and have the same rights as any other member.*

<p><b>NGC STANDIND RULES</b> <b>Current Wording</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed Amendment</b></p>	<p><b>Would Read After Amended</b></p>
<p><b>Proposal # 11</b> <b>SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE: Pg 27</b> 4. The Finance Committee and the Print and Non-Print Communication Committee shall review and approve/decline the Sponsorship Committee's contract prior to entering any contractual commitment with the proposed Sponsor. 5. A contract shall be executed between NGC, Inc., and sponsor in accordance with current 501(c)(3) regulations. Copies of signed contracts shall be sent to the Print and Non-Print Communication Committee in order that the NGC promotion be implemented correctly and coordinates the scheduling for each method of NGC communication during the term of the contract. Copies of all contracts shall be stored at Headquarters. 6. The Sponsorship Committee Chair shall assign a relationship manager as liaison between the sponsor and NGC, Inc. The relationship manager shall be responsible for managing the qualitative relationship and monitoring quantitative goals against contractual obligations. The relationship manager will be responsible to send any write-ups and photos for posting by the Print and Non-Print Communication Committee.</p>	<p><b>SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE: Pg 27</b> <del>4. The Finance Committee and the Print and Non-Print Communication Committee shall review and approve/decline the Sponsorship Committee's contract prior to entering any contractual commitment with the proposed Sponsor.</del> 5. A contract shall be executed between NGC, Inc., and the sponsor in accordance with current 501(c)(3) regulations. <del>Copies of signed contracts shall be sent to the Print and Non-Print Communication Committee in order that the NGC promotion be implemented correctly and coordinates the scheduling for each method of NGC communication during the term of the contract.</del> Copies of all contracts shall be stored maintained at Headquarters. 6. The Sponsorship Committee Chair shall assign a relationship manager as liaison between the sponsor and NGC, Inc. The relationship manager shall be responsible for managing the qualitative relationship and monitoring quantitative goals against contractual obligations. <del>The relationship manager will be responsible to send any write-ups and photos for posting by the</del></p>	<p><b>SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE: Pg 27</b> 5. A contract shall be executed between NGC and the sponsor in accordance with current 501(c)(3) regulations. Copies of all contracts shall be maintained at Headquarters. 6. The Sponsorship Committee Chair shall assign a relationship manager as liaison between the sponsor and NGC. The relationship manager shall be responsible for managing the qualitative relationship and monitoring quantitative goals against contractual obligations.  <b>RENUMBER</b>  <b>SUBSIDIARY MOTION TO REFER BACK TO ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE APPROVED.</b></p>

<p>unless otherwise agreed upon.</p>	<p><del>Print and Non-Print Communication Committee, unless otherwise agreed upon.</del></p>
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**Rationale:** Sponsorship sets the terms and conditions of the contract. Donations are either in kind or monetary. Finance does not approve donations. Sponsorship committee is responsible to notify the Media Committee of terms for sponsors publicity. The Print and Non-Print Committee has been absorbed into the Media Committee due to the decreased need for printed materials.

<p><b>NGC STANDING RULES</b> Current Wording</p>	<p>Proposed Amendment</p>	<p>Would Read After Amended</p>
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