



WORLD ASSOCIATION
OF GIRL GUIDES
AND GIRL SCOUTS

GENERAL MEETING

DOCUMENT GM3: RECORD OF DECISIONS

DECEMBER 2020

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MOTIONS

The following table sets out the Record of Decisions voted on by Member Organisations at the General Meeting on 19th December 2020

PROPOSED MOTION	PROPOSER	VOTING ELIGIBILITY	MAJORITY REQUIRED	RESULTS OF VOTE
PROCEDURAL MOTION A				
That the General Meeting appoints the following to serve as Tellers for the General Meeting:		Full and Associate Members	Simple Majority	Voted on by General Consent
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jess Bond from the United Kingdom Melisa Viveros Ojeda from Argentina Koraline van Dijk from the Netherlands 	World Board	=	=	
		97	49	MOTION PASSED
PROCEDURAL MOTION B				
That the General Meeting approves for use during the General Meeting 2020, Document GM2: the Rules of Procedure.		Full and Associate Members	Simple Majority	For: 69
	World Board	=	=	Against: 2
		97	49	Abstentions: 9
				MOTION PASSED
PROCEDURAL MOTION C				
That the General Meeting appoints Ruchira Jayasinghe as Chair and Katerina Agorogianni as Vice-Chair of the General Meeting.		Full and Associate Members	Simple Majority	Voted on by General Consent
	World Board	=	=	
		97	49	MOTION PASSED

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PROPOSED MOTION	PROPOSER	VOTING ELIGIBILITY	MAJORITY REQUIRED	RESULTS OF VOTE
PROCEDURAL MOTION D				
That the General Meeting appoints the following to serve on the Procedural Team for the General Meeting:		Full and Associate Members	Simple Majority	Voted on by General Consent
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiona Lejosne (Co-ordinator) from France Sana Al Hakim from Lebanon Gwen Lee from Malaysia Amy Porteous from Canada 	World Board	=	=	
		97	49	MOTION PASSED
PROCEDURAL MOTION E				
That the General Meeting approves the agenda as set out in Document GM1.		Full and Associate Members	Simple Majority	Voted on by General Consent
	World Board	=	=	
		97	49	MOTION PASSED
PROPOSED MOTION 1				
The General Meeting:				
a. agrees to make provision in the WAGGGS Constitution to facilitate the possibility of remote general meetings in future i.e. for Member Organisations to be able to participate in, and vote at, general meetings including the triennial World Conferences without being physically present, through the use of technology; and		Full Members	75% Majority	For: 68
				Against: 11
	World Board	=	=	Abstentions: 5
b. approves the necessary changes to the WAGGGS Constitution outlined in Document GM1 "Agenda and Proposed Motion", circulated on 20th October 2020.		95	72	MOTION NOT PASSED

KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

Rules of Procedure

- Before and during the General Meeting, Member Organisations were informed that one proposed amendment had been received¹ to Proposed Motion 1 but it was not possible to vote upon this. This was due to advice from WAGGGS' lawyers that it is not possible to accept proposed amendments to the text of a proposed motion after the 60 days' notice period. Before, and during, the meeting WAGGGS apologised to Member Organisations for this error and the inconvenience caused.
- A statement was made by Ring Deutscher Pfadfinderinnenverbände (Germany) at the General Meeting requesting again that the proposed amendment be considered and voted upon at the meeting. The Procedural Team Coordinator again restated that the advice of the lawyers was that it would not be legal for this proposed amendment to be considered and voted upon and doing so would risk the validity of the whole General Meeting and any other decisions taken.

Proposed Motion 1

- It was noted that the proposed amendment mentioned above, which could not be voted upon at the General Meeting, had suggested a change to the wording of Proposed Motion 1 and the WAGGGS constitution, by limiting the provision for remote participation to a certain number of cases, such as political instability or a health crisis.
- A number of Member Organisations contributed to the discussion of this proposed motion before it was voted on.

Questions posed to the World Board by Member Organisations following the World Board update:

- How can we empower girls, when possible and complying with safety measures, to meet together and not only looking to digital?
- The strategic plan does not make reference to support to communities. Is there anything we can all-together as WAGGGS do?
- The pandemic has brought a huge negative, psychological, social and emotional impact on the youth of the world. Shouldn't we be thinking about adapting our educational programmes to this reality, this need and what can we do all-together as WAGGGS for this purpose?

Member Organisations were invited to send any further questions to the World Board via askyourboard@waggs.org

¹ Submitted by Mouvement Scout de Suisse (Switzerland) and supported by Ring Deutscher Pfadfinderinnenverbände (Germany); Fédération du Scoutisme Français (France); Eesti Gaidide Liit (Estonia); Associação Guias de Portugal (Portugal); Guiding and Scouting in Belgium (Belgium); Latvijas Skautu un Gaidu Centrālā Organizācija (Latvia); Sakartvelos Gogona Skautebis Asociacia (Georgia); and the Comité de Enlace del Guidismo en España (Spain).

