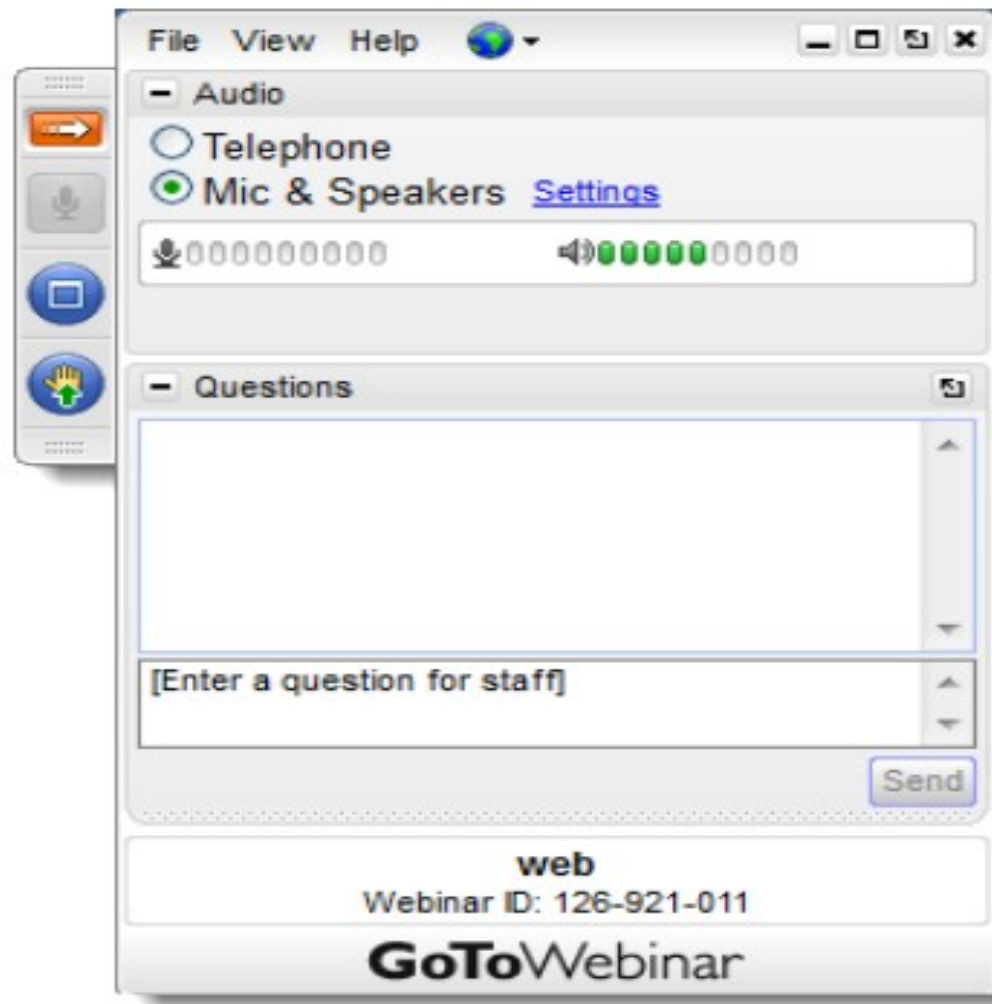




Board Development Committee's Role: Selecting National Council Delegates

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Part of a National Movement



Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.



Learning Aim



To understand the role and responsibilities of the Board Development Committee in selecting and slating national delegates



Interdependence: Councils & the National Organization



National Council

- Major link between national organization and Girl Scout councils.
- Determine the general policy lines of the Girl Scout Movement
- Elects National Board and Board Development Committee

Girl Scout Councils

- Elect delegates to the National Council
- Promote and deliver Girl Scouting locally
- Position council within jurisdiction for branding, funding, and partnership opportunities
- Lead, administer, and supervise GS program within local jurisdictions



National Board of Directors

- Establishes and charters Girl Scout councils
- Provides strategic leadership and direction to the GS movement
- Manages affairs of the corporation between National Council Sessions

Membership of National Council



- Delegates elected by Girl Scout councils who are registered through local councils;
- Delegates from USA Girl Scouts Overseas;
- Members of the National Board of Directors;
- Members of the National Board Development Committee;
- Past Presidents of Girl Scouts of the United States of America; and
- Such other persons as may be elected by the National Council.

Board Development Committee



What is this Committee's job?

- GS Blue Book of Basic Documents
- Your Council Bylaws
- BDC Charge



Blue Book Outlines Basic Eligibility



- Members of the Girl Scout Movement in the United States
- 14 years of age or over may be members of the National Council.
- Only citizens of the United States

Review Your Bylaws



EXAMPLE

ARTICLE V – BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Section 4. Responsibilities.

The responsibilities of the Board Development Committee shall be:

- a) to solicit and recruit candidates for elected positions in the council.
- b) to provide to the membership a single slate for all positions for election, including officers, directors, and Board Development Committee members.
- c) to provide to the membership in accordance with the time frame established by Girl Scouts of the United States of America a single slate of delegates and alternates to the National Council Session of Girl Scouts of the United States of America.**

Board Development Committee

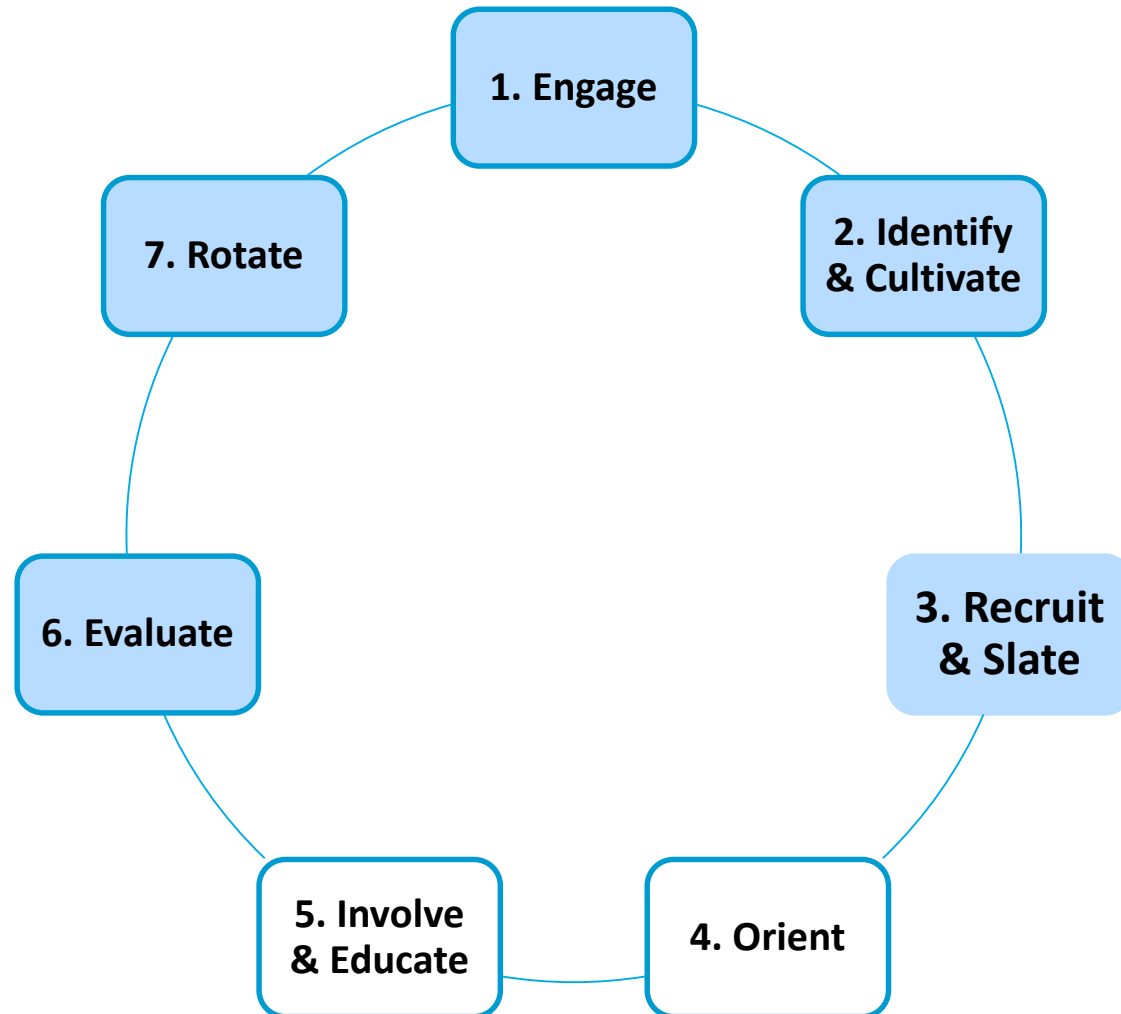


Sample Charge Includes:

Prepares a single slate of candidates for the board of directors, a single slate for the BDC, **and in appropriate years, a single slate of nominees for delegates to the National Council Session.**



Applying BDC Cycle to National Council Delegate Selection



Selection Criteria for National Council Delegates



- **Think strategically** and focus on the future of the Girl Scout Movement.
- **Experience** in policy-influencing and policy-making positions.
- Demonstrated knowledge and **understanding** of the workings of **Girl Scout** councils and the Movement.
- **Ability to analyze** issues from a national and council viewpoint.
- **Commitment** to attend council and GSUSA training sessions.
- **Willingness to support all the decisions** of the National Council.

Delegate Job Description Sample

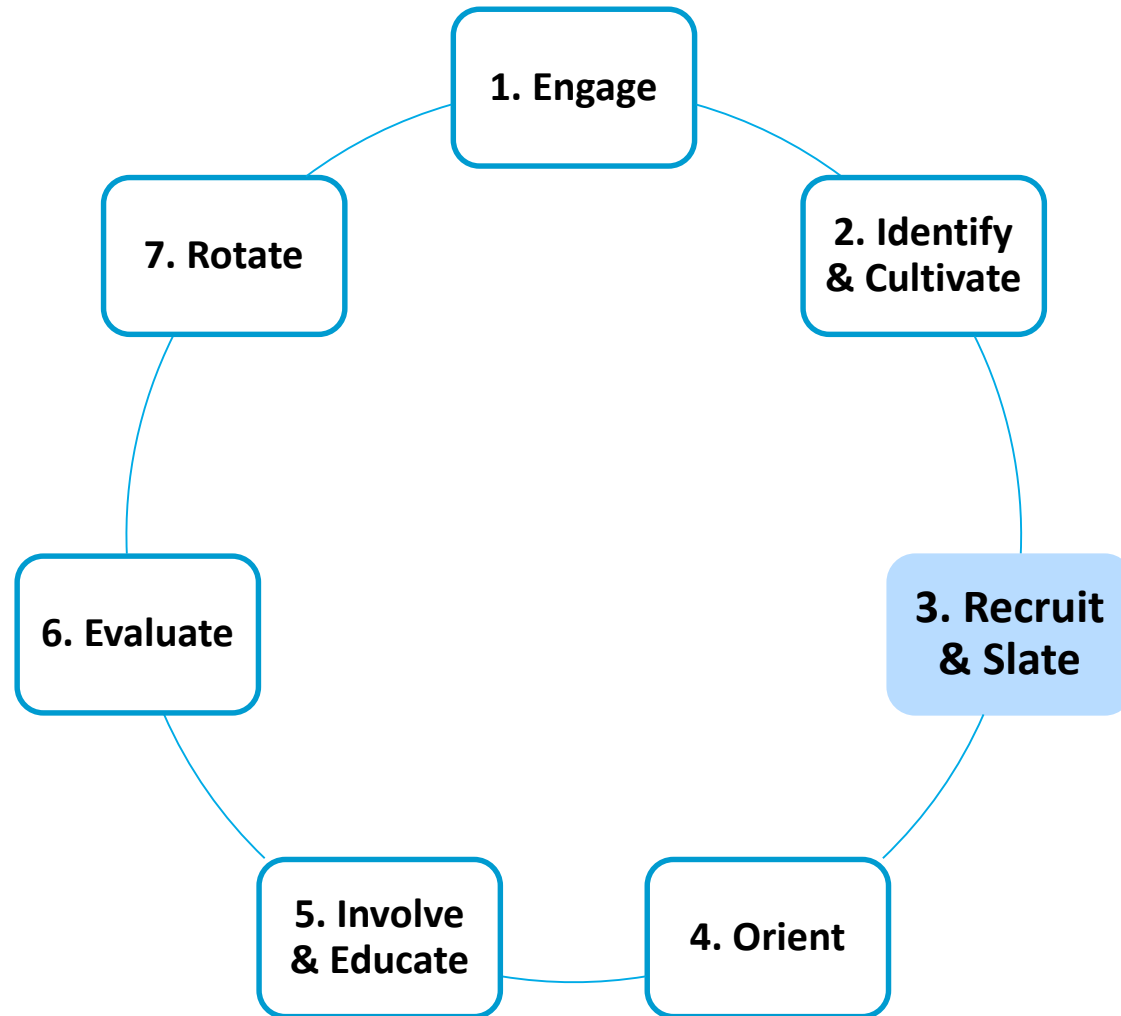


1. In advance of the National Council Session:
 - ✓ Study
 - ✓ Attend briefing meetings
 - ✓ Secure opinions of adult & older girl members
 - ✓ Participate in teleconferences/webinars
 - ✓ Engage in opportunities

2. While attending the National Council Session:
 - ✓ Attend and participate in all business meetings
 - ✓ Be fully prepared to participate and vote

3. Following National Council Session:
 - ✓ Report at council meeting
 - ✓ Share insights
 - ✓ Assist the council in preparing for next National Council Session
 - ✓ Participate in other opportunities as needed

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2017 National Council Delegate Formula



The total membership of the National Council shall **not exceed 1,500**, and at least **four-fifths of the entire membership shall consist of delegates from local councils and from USA Girl Scouts Overseas**

Each council will be entitled to elect:

- 1) two (2) delegates;
- 2) one (1) additional delegate for up to 2,000 girls;
- 3) one (1) additional delegate for every 2,000 girls thereafter.

*council specific information provided November 4

Next Steps



What is your Call to
Action to select and
slate National Council
Delegates

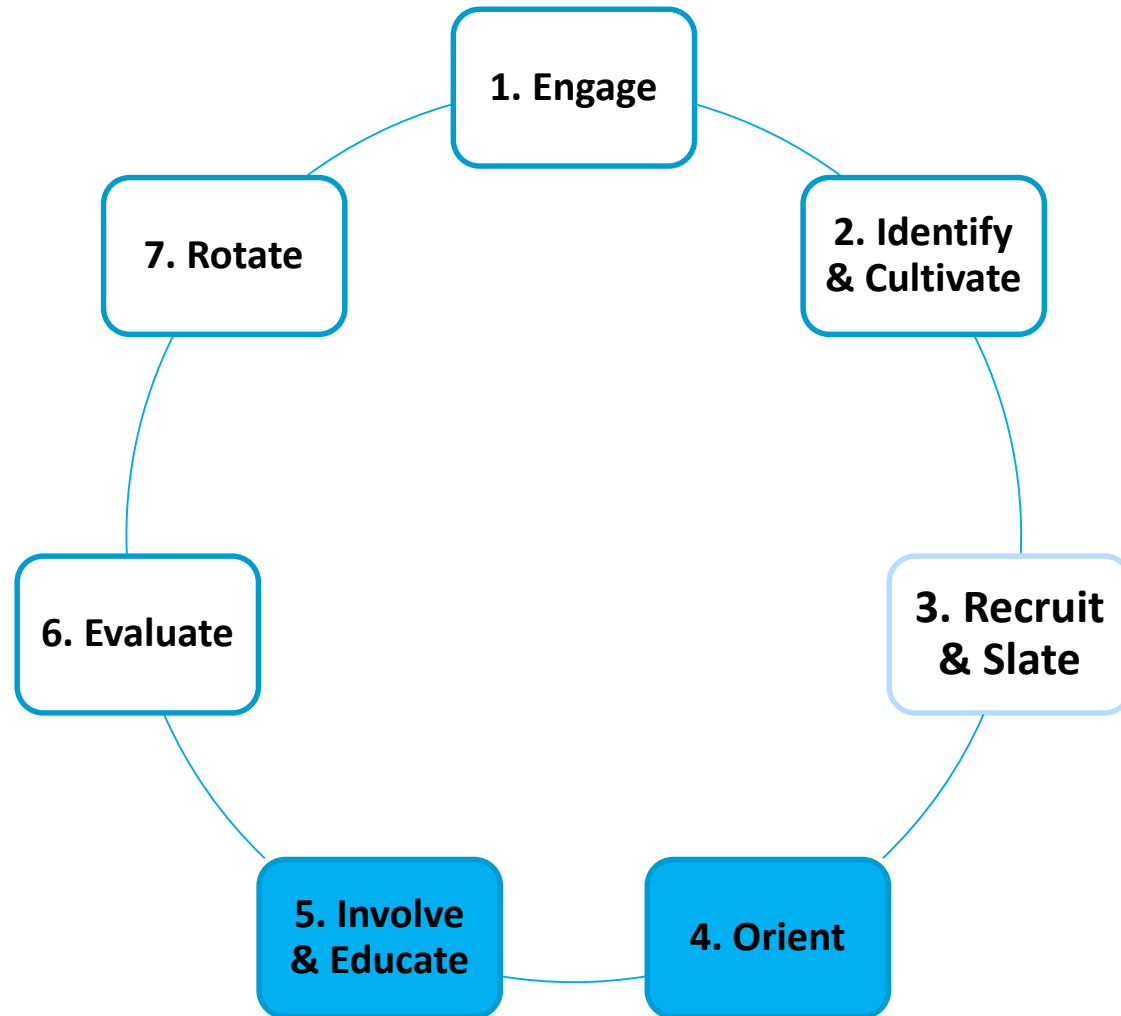


Call to Action



TASK	WHO	Date	Progress
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2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

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Resources Now : GSUSA



- Interdependence Paper
- Planning for 2017 National Council Session and Convention
- National Council Delegate Process
- National Council Session Delegate Selection Toolkit
- National Delegate Position Description
- National Delegate Application Form (GSUSA and Council Samples)
- Delegate Candidate Assessments Ranking Form
- National Council Delegate Expectation Agreement
- FAQs

Resources Later: GSUSA



- November 4- Delegate Formula
- Spring Delegate Training





Questions?

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THANK YOU! For Participating Today