

GFRW Board Meeting And Biennial Convention

October 16-17, 2016 St. Simons Island, GA

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OFFICIAL CALL FOR GFRW BOARD MEETING & BIENNIAL CONVENTION

FROM THE PRESIDENT Ruby Robinson

<u>Purpose:</u> The meeting will be held at the Sea Palms Resort & Conference Center. This meeting is to conduct such business as is reasonable and necessary pursuant to GFRW bylaws.

This is the Official Call for the GFRW 2015 Fall Board Meeting, Executive Committee meeting and the Biennial Convention. GFRW officers for 2016-17 will be elected at the Biennial Convention on Saturday. These meetings will be conducted at the Sea Palms Resort on St. Simons Island, GA.

The Executive Committee will meet on Thursday, October 15 at 6:00 PM at Sea Palms Resort. The Board will meet on Saturday, October 17 at 9:00 AM and the Biennial Convention will convene at approximately 10:30 AM. See enclosed schedule for further details.

I am delighted to invite you to the Fall Board Meeting and Biennial Convention at beautiful Sea Palms Resort on St. Simons Island, GA. Rep. Buddy Carter, will be joining us for the meeting.

Sea Palms Resort is located at 5445 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, Georgia. The phone number is 912-434-5333. Please ask for the front desk and indicate that you are with GFRW.

<u>Hotel Reservations</u>: Deluxe Double/Double Guest Room \$129.00 per night plus taxes; Executive Studio King Room \$149.00 per night plus taxes. Please make your own hotel reservations by calling the Sea Palms Resort. When making reservations, please indicate that you are attending the GFRW Board Meeting. This price will be open for Saturday night as well. <u>HOTEL DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 30.</u>

Registration Fee: Fee of \$55.00 includes Lunch on Saturday, if registered by October 7, 2015. Fee of \$60.00 includes Lunch on Saturday, if registered by October 14, 2015. If registering after October 14, the fee of \$65.00 will be charged. Additional lunch tickets may be purchased for guest participants at \$45.00 each.

Please join us for our final meeting of the year and the Biennial Convention when we elect new officers. We look forward to seeing you!

Ruby Robinson
GFRW President

GFRW BOARD MEETING & BIENNIAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

October 17, 2015 www.gfrw.org

Registration for MEETINGS and MEAL FUNCTIONS	
\$55 if postmarked or paid Online by October 7, 2015 \$60 if postmarked or paid Online by October 14, 2015	
\$45 guest lunch fee	
The above price includes Friday seminars and Lunch o	n Saturday.
Please check boxes for all meetings you will attend.	
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Oct. 15 – Thursday 6:00 PM, Executive Board Meeting Oct. 16 – Friday 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM Registration	
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HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION

ROOM RESERVATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

Late registrations may be made based on room availability.

When booking rooms, request GFRW Board Meeting block

Sea Palms Resort 5445 Frederica Road St. Simons Island, GA 31522 Phone: (912) 434-5333

Website

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Deluxe Double/Double Rooms: Deluxe rooms are spacious with two double beds, a small refrigerator, a sitting area or a screened porch and a bathroom with double vanities. Cost: \$129.00 plus sales tax NOTE-ONLY TWO (2) COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST BUFFET TICKETS PER DOUBLE ROOM.

Executive Studio: Executive Studios are spacious rooms with two double beds or one king-size bed, sunroom sitting area, kitchenette including a stove, a microwave, a dishwasher and a bathroom with double vanities.

Cost: \$149.00 plus sales tax. NOTE- ONLY TWO (2) COMPLIMENTARY

BREAKFAST BUFFET TICKETS PER STUDIO ROOM.

Traveling I-95 North from Jacksonville FL

- Georgia Exit #29
- Turn right off ramp to US Hwy 17 North
- Proceed approximately ten miles to the St. Simons Island F.J. Torras Causeway
- Turn right onto Torras Causeway
- Arriving onto St. Simons Island, bear left at the roundabout, onto Sea Island Road
- Proceed approximately 2.5 miles to the traffic signal and turn left onto Frederica Road
- Sea Palms Resort Guest Registration building is 1.5 miles on the left
- Accommodations, Golf Course and Conference Center are across the street on Windward Drive

Traveling I-95 South from Savannah GA

- Georgia Exit #38
- Turn left off ramp onto 25 (Golden Isles Parkway)
- Proceed approximately 4.5 miles to merge right onto 17
- Travel approximately 2 miles. Stay in left lane
- Turn left onto F.J. Torras Causeway
- Arriving onto St. Simons Island, bear left at the roundabout, onto Sea Island Road
- Proceed approximately 2.5 miles to the traffic signal and turn left onto Frederica Road
- Sea Palms Resort Guest Registration building is 1.5 miles on the left
- Accommodations, Golf Course and Conference Center are across the street on Windward Drive

Traveling South from Atlanta GA

- I-75 South to Macon
- I-16 East to Savannah
- I-95 South to Georgia Exit #38
- Turn left off ramp onto Georgia Spur 25
- Spur 25 will merge with US Hwy 17 South after eight traffic signals
- Follow US Hwy 17 South to third traffic signal and turn left onto the St. Simons Island F.J. Torras Causeway
- Arriving on the island, bear left at the roundabout, onto Sea Island Road
- Proceed approximately 2.5 miles to the traffic signal and turn left onto Frederica Road
- Sea Palms Resort Guest Registration building is 1.5 miles on the left
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CLUB PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL PROXY FORM

Presidents ONLY may have a proxy vote.* There is no other provision for proxy voting in the GFRW Bylaws for either Executive Committee members or District Directors.

If sending a proxy ...

- 1. Please print the information below for the person holding the proxy.
- 2. Send this official proxy form to ...
 Assistant Treasurer: Lydia Hallmark, 384 Oberlochen Way, Douglasville, GA 30134
- 3. Give copy of this form to your proxy.

I, President of Club Name hereby designate (<i>Proxy Name, please print</i>)
(a member of my Executive Committee) to be my official Proxy at the Board of Directors Meeting
of the Georgia Federation of Republican Women to be held October 17, 2015.
Thisday of, 2015.
Signature of the Club President
*GFRW Bylaws
Article V. Section 1 (b) Proxy Voting The President of a local club may appoint a member of her Executive Committee as her proxy, with full voting power.

GFRW BOARD MEETING & BIENNIAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Tentative

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2015

6:00 PM Executive Board Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2015

1:00 PM to 1:30 PM Registration

1:35 PM to 2:45 PM Parliamentary Procedure

3:00 PM to 4:40 PM Sunset Dolphin Cruise (\$25.00 Per Person)

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM Reception for All

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015

8:00 AM to 8:45 AM Registration

9:00 AM GFRW Fall Board Meeting Convenes

10:35 AM GFRW Biennial Convention Convenes

12:30 PM Luncheon

ARTICLE VIII: CONVENTIONS

Section 1. GFRW-State Convention

- C. Representation
 - 1. The voting body of the biennial convention shall be:
 - a. GFRW Officers
 - b. Standing Committee Chairman or Vice Committee Chairman in the absence of the Standing Committee Chairman
 - c. Immediate Past President of GFRW
 - d. District Directors
 - e. Presidents of local Clubs and an Alternate appointed by the local Club Executive Committee
 - f. Club Delegates according to the following formula:
 - 1) One (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate from each local Club with 50 (fifty) or fewer members
 - 2) One additional Delegate and Alternate from each local Club will be permitted for each additional twenty-five (25) members over fifty (50) members.
 - g. Past Presidents of NFRW or GFRW who are residents of the State of Georgia and are members in good standing in their local club.
 - h. The delegates and alternates shall be selected in such manner as their local club prescribes.
 - i. Selection shall be made not less than two (2) weeks prior to a Convention, and names shall be sent as directed by the Executive Committee and as prescribed in the Call for the Convention.
 - j. At least forty-five (45) days preceding a biennial convention the Treasurer shall certify to the President the names of the local clubs in the state whose dues are paid in full and the number of members in each club. Only such certified local clubs shall be entitled to representation at the Convention.
 - k. In the absence of a delegate, an alternate may vote.
 - I. There shall be no proxy voting authorized at Conventions.

District Conventions are held following the close of the GFRW Convention

Section 2. **GFRW - District Conventions**

- A. A district convention for each Congressional District shall be held biennially in each October of the odd-numbered years for the purpose of electing a District Director who shall serve for a term of two years.
- B. The voting body shall be:
 - 1. One delegate and one alternate from each club having fifty (50) or fewer members
 - 2. One additional Delegate and Alternate from each local Club will be permitted for each additional twenty-five (25) members over fifty (50) members.
 - 3 Presidents of local clubs and an alternate appointed from the local Club's Executive Committee.

- 4 The current District Director.
- C. Delegates and Alternates of each Club selected for the GFRW Convention shall be the same Delegates and Alternates for the District Convention.

ARTICLE X: PARLIMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1 - References

- A. The rules contained in the latest revised version of <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u> (latest edition) shall govern GFRW in all situations to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any Policies and Standing Rules that are adopted by the GFRW Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee that may be amended or adopted from time-to-time.
- B. GFRW shall comply with the Bylaws of NFRW.

ARTICLE VI: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. Nominations

- A. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five (5) members and two (2) alternates
 - 1. The Nominating Committee shall be elected at the first meeting in the calendar year in which the Convention is to be held.
 - 2. The alternates shall serve in the order of number of votes at their election.
 - 3. The members of the committee shall elect a Chairman and secretary from their own numbers.
 - 4. Any member of the Nominating Committee who wishes to seek a position on the Executive Committee shall resign and be replaced by an alternate, selected as described in # 2 above of this Section.
 - 5. Scheduled meeting for qualified Candidates in good standing in GFRW seeking an Office will be included in the second "Call" of the calendar year to the Board of Directors. Written credentials from candidates should be sent to each member of the Nominating Committee prior to this meeting.
 - 6. The nominating committee shall submit one nominee for each office in a report sent out with the "Call" thirty (30) days prior to the biennial Convention to all members of the Board of Directors.
- B. Nominations may also be made from the floor following the report of the Nominating Committee.
 - 1. Nominee(s) from the floor shall give written consent to be nominated.
 - 2. Nominees from the floor shall give written notice of agreement to serve, if elected.
 - 3. Written notices in #1 & #2 above may/can be presented in the same document to GFRW Secretary.

Section 2. Elections

- A. Election shall be by secret ballot and a majority of all votes cast shall constitute an election. Where there is only one candidate for an office, election may be by voice vote.
- B. The chairman of the Credentials Committee shall furnish to the GFRW President and Secretary, not less than one hour before voting a list of those entitled to vote.
- C. Voting will take place during such hours as determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Vacancies

- A. A vacancy in an elective office, other than that of President (See ARTICLE IV, Section 5 "A" and Section 6 "D"), shall be filled by election by the Board of Directors at a meeting held within 5 (five) months of the vacancy. Notice of such vacancy shall be given to the members of the Board of Directors with the Call for the meeting.
- B. The President shall have the obligation/right to appoint, with the approval of the Executive Committee, and interim Officer(s).

The 2015 Nominating Committee unanimously adopted on September 5, 2015, the following slate of officers and presents them here for adoption:

President – Barbara Hickey 1st Vice President – Sara Snyder 2nd Vice President – Joyce Hinton

3rd Vice President – Open

Secretary – Varie Rustin
Treasurer – Billie Dendy
Assistant Treasurer – Denise Ognio

The members of the Nominating Committee would like to thank all those who came forward to be interviewed.

The members of the 2015 Nominating Committee are:

Johnell Woody, Chair

Dee Gay

Natalie Olmi

Mary Chase

Reba Reyna

Alternates:

Toney Lancaster

Marilyn Watts

GFRW BOARD MEETING & BIENNIAL CONVENTION – OCT. 17, 2015

(TENTATIVE)

Opening Ceremonies

9:00 A.M.

Call to order and Welcome, Ruby Robinson, GFRW President Invocation,

Pledge of Allegiance,

Introductions and Welcome

Welcome and introduction of head table
Appoint Parliamentarian, Proxy Committee and Call for Proxies
Introduction of Time Keeper and Sergeants-at-Arms
Introduction of Elected Officials
Welcome to Club Presidents

Order of Business

Report of Proxy Committee Roll Call

Reading of Board Meeting Rules
Report on Voting Strength
Adoption of Program Agenda
Presentation and Approval of Minutes

Reports

Executive Committee Report and President's Report
Treasurer's Report
District Directors Report as requested
Standing Committees Report as requested
Special Committees Report as requested

<u>Adjourn</u>

10:30 AM

Biennial Convention Convenes

Introduction of Nominating Committee
Election of New Officers

Announcements & Adjourn