

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION POLICIES AND PRACTICES

The President shall appoint the resolutions committee chairman and a committee of two members.

Resolutions may be submitted by:

- a. Clubs in good standing in GFWCW
- b. Executive Board members and GFWCW Chairmen.

A club may submit resolutions only after receiving approval by said club, and resolutions must be signed by the President and Secretary of the club. Executive Board members and GFWCW Chairmen may submit resolutions relating to their subject matter areas or their special fields of endeavor.

PROCEDURES

Proposed resolutions shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Resolutions committee on or before December 15.

Only resolutions which fall within the objectives and policies of the GFWCW will be considered for presentation to the convention body.

The Chairman shall prepare a report for presentation at the January Executive Board meeting. Only resolutions that meet the requirements as outlined in the policies and practices shall be presented. Resolutions approved by the Executive Board shall be published in the Call to Convention.

Resolutions that have received approval shall be presented at the first general business session of the annual meeting, however the vote on the resolutions shall be deferred until the following day.

Resolutions that have not been presented for Executive Board approval and publication in the Call to Convention may not be presented to the meeting body, except emergency resolutions, and only after approval of the Executive Board at pre-meeting board meeting and with unanimous approval of the meeting body.

GFWCW RESOLUTIONS

No. 1 OPPOSITION TO LEGALIZED GAMBLING

WEREAS, an object of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Wyoming as provided for in the constitution and in the Articles of Incorporation permits that we "May work for the improvement and general welfare of Wyoming," and since our specific goal has been improvement in matters relating to women and children, and we believe that it is fundamentally immoral to encourage people to look at gambling profits as a source of family income, and

WHEREAS, it is impossible to draw any line between types of gambling that should be permitted or should be barred by government, and

WHEREAS, legalized gambling would constitute a continuous temptation for husbands and wives to squander money needed for family support, would encourage an influx of powerful underworld figures and would create corruption and poverty, and

No. 2 COOPERATION WITH NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

WHEREAS, reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body, and a source of enrichment to the individual and

WHEREAS, reading is the foundation of education which is the very cornerstone of our democratic way of life, therefore:

RESOLVED, that the General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Wyoming reaffirms and endorses National Library Week in order to focus emphasis on the value of reading, and further

RESOLVED, that the General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Wyoming urges member clubs to form reading groups, and individual members to make greater use of our libraries and adopt reading as a vital part of family leisure.

No. 3 YOUTH ART MONTH

WHEREAS, a quality art program is needed to emphasize the value of creating art and participation in the development and appreciation of art by all youth and to gain understanding of the true importance of art education and the need for public support and involvement; and

WHEREAS, art enhances the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Wyoming imitated and supported Youth Art Month since its inception by the Crayon, Watercolor and Craft Institute Inc. in 1961; therefore:

RESOLVED, that each club of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Wyoming be encouraged to observe Youth Art Month in March by obtaining a mayor’s proclamation and by encouraging and promoting public displays, exhibits, shows, etc. through schools, libraries, churches and youth organizations.

No. 4 ESTHER HOBART MORRIS STATUE

WHEREAS, Wyoming was the first state to give women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming is known as the Equality State; and

WHEREAS Esther Hobart Morris is an integral part of Wyoming’s history for her contributions to the state’s history as the first woman to hold public office; and

WHEREAS, the statue of Esther Hobart Morris was moved from its original position in front of the Wyoming Capitol to the basement of the Capitol; therefore

RESOLVED, the General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Wyoming urges its member clubs to support the return of the statue to the front of the Wyoming Capitol.