

Resolutions
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Roberts Rules defines Resolutions as a formal way of presenting a motion. As a nonpartisan 501 (c)(3) organization, GFWC Florida resolutions may advocate for or against specific issues, but by law cannot endorse or oppose specific candidates. GFWC Florida Resolutions fall under the category of **Standing Rules, Resources** in the **Members Only** portion of the GFWC Florida website.

Who can present a Resolution? Resolutions may be presented by the Executive Committee, the Resolutions Committee, a Community Service Program Chairman or Special Committee Chairman. The Resolutions must be signed by the officer, community service programs coordinator, state chairman or the president and secretary of the club presenting them. Seven copies of a proposed resolution shall be sent to the chairman of the resolutions committee who shall send one to each member of the committee and the president of the GFWC Florida.

What's the procedure? Resolutions submitted to the Resolutions Committee must be typewritten and accompanied by proper supporting documents. Resolutions referring to a bill before the Congress of the United States or the legislature of the State of Florida or any legal document must be accompanied by two copies of such bill or legal document when submitted. The word "approve" instead of "endorse" shall be used in connection with bills or measures proposed by other organizations.

Resolutions must have a bearing on subjects considered a part of the interest of the federation. Proposed resolutions shall be submitted to the Resolutions Committee Chairman 12 weeks prior to the annual convention. Only emergency resolutions can be considered after that time.

How long is a Resolution in effect? Resolutions are reviewed every four years. They must have bearing on subjects considered a part of the interests of the Federation. They are inoperative after 5 years unless presented for reaffirmation.

Meaningful Resolutions give GFWC Florida the opportunity to live up to our creed "To put into action our better impulses, straightforward and unafraid". (Mary Stewart) With your support, GFWC Florida will be in the forefront of addressing needed improvements and having a voice in the legislative process.