

# Georgia Federation of Republican Women



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Augusta, Ga 30909**

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**Official Call  
GFRW Fall Board Meeting  
and GFRW 33<sup>rd</sup> Biennial  
Convention**

**October 19-21, 2023**

**PAMELA LIGHTSEY, GFRW PRESIDENT**

**OFFICIAL CALL FOR FALL 2023 BOARD MEETING  
AND GFRW 33<sup>rd</sup> BIENNIAL CONVENTION**



**TO: GFRW EXECUTIVE BOARD, GFRW BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND GFRW MEMBERS**

**FROM: Pamela Lightsey, President Georgia Federation of Republican Women**

This is the Official Call for the GFRW 2023 Fall Board Meeting, Executive Committee meeting and the 33<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Convention. GFRW officers for 2024-25 will be elected at the Biennial Convention on Saturday. These meetings will be conducted at DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton in Augusta, Ga.

**Dear GFRW Member:**

This is the Official Call for the GFRW 2023 Fall Board Meeting and 33<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Convention. I am delighted to invite you to join us in Augusta.

GFRW has a lot to celebrate over the past two years, including an increase in clubs across our great state! Many are getting ready for the NFRW National Convention in Oklahoma City this month and looking forward to sharing our experiences together with everyone at Convention and Training.

I look forward to seeing EVERYONE in October in Augusta as we launch another election year!

Sincerely,

Pamela Lightsey, President  
Georgia Federation of Republican Women  
[pam@pamlightsey.com](mailto:pam@pamlightsey.com) or [president@gfrw.org](mailto:president@gfrw.org)

706-840-2087

**Resolutions**

Resolutions must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Committee within 10 days of the call. Resolutions may be presented to the Convention only through the Resolutions Committee and may not be presented as a motion by an individual or club.

**Submissions:** Send to: Mary Broun, Chairman of Resolutions Committee, at  
[marycbroun@comcast.net](mailto:marycbroun@comcast.net)

### Hotel Reservation Information

## ROOM RESERVATION DEADLINE IS **SEPTEMBER 28, 2023**

Late registrations may be made based on room availability.

**When booking rooms, request GFRW Board Meeting block**

**DoubleTree by Hilton**

**2651 Perimeter Parkway**

**706-855-8100**

[Website](#)

[Directions](#)

#### ACCOMMODATIONS:

Please call 706-855-8100 for reservations or you can use the link to make them.

Georgia Federation of Republican Women Rates: (Check in 4:00 PM ~ Check out Noon)

**Queen \$119.00**

**King or Two Queens \$119.00**

Your stay with DoubleTree by Hilton includes free parking, free Wi-Fi, non-smoking rooms, on-site restaurant, outdoor pool, indoor pool, fitness center, and business center.

**THIS HOTEL DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 28, 2023**

## Tentative 2023 Schedule of Events for Fall Board of Directors Meeting and Biennial Convention

Date	Time	Event	Location	Cost
<b>Thursday</b> Oct. 19	7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Executive Board - Officers	TBD	
<b>Friday</b> Oct. 20	9:30 AM- 1:00 PM	Registration	Ballroom Foyer	
<b>Friday</b> Oct. 20	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Leadership Institute	Ballroom	
<b>Friday</b> Oct. 20	1:15 PM – 2:15 PM	Lunch Board Members ONLY (Presidents/Chairs/Directors)	TBD	
<b>Friday</b> Oct. 20	3:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting	Ballroom	
<b>Friday</b> Oct. 20	6:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Kick Off to Campaign 2024 & Silent Auction Food and Drinks	Ballroom	
<b>Saturday</b> Oct. 21	7:15 AM - 8:15 AM	Reagan Breakfast Reagan Club Members only	Ballroom	
<b>Saturday</b> Oct. 21	8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration	Ballroom Foyer	
<b>Saturday</b> Oct. 21	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	GFRW Biennial Convention	Ballroom	
<b>Saturday</b> Oct. 23	12:00 PM- 2:00 PM	Better Together Luncheon – Special Guest Speaker	Ballroom	
<b>Saturday</b> Oct. 23	2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	District Directors meet with their Delegates to elect new Directors.	Ballroom	

**CLUB PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL PROXY FORM**  
**GFRW Board Meeting Only (not Convention)**

**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 . . .**  
Treasurer: Debra Coulter, 677 Jules Crest Ct, Lawrenceville, GA 30045
- 3. Give copy of this form to your proxy.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(President's Name)  
President of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Club Name)  
hereby designate \_\_\_\_\_  
(Proxy Name, please print)  
to be my official Proxy at the Board of Directors Meeting of the Georgia Federation of Republican Women  
to be held on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Date of Meeting)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Proxy (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Club Name (please print)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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.

## Fall Board Meeting, Biennial Convention and Event Registration

October 19-21, 2023

[www.gfrw.org](http://www.gfrw.org)

### Registration for MEETINGS and MEAL FUNCTIONS (check box that applies to your payment)

- ☐ \$115.00 Meetings, Trainings, Meals Members
- ☐ \$135.00 Meetings, Trainings, Meals for Non-Members

#### ENCLOSED PAYMENT

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Meetings, Trainings & Meals #\_\_\_\_\_

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Meetings, Trainings, Meals Plus Non-Members #\_\_\_\_\_

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Total Payment

If you have special needs or dietary needs, please

Contact: Pam Lightsey, [pam@pamlightsey.com](mailto:pam@pamlightsey.com) or [President@gfrw.org](mailto:President@gfrw.org)

Make Checks payable to GFRW  
Please send registrations and checks to:

**Debra Coulter**  
**677 Jules Crest Ct**  
**Lawrenceville, GA 30045**

Telephone: 303-522-7520

Email: [deboulter@comcast.net](mailto:deboulter@comcast.net)

**NOTE: ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE ON GFRW WEBSITE. [www.gfrw.org](http://www.gfrw.org)**

(Please type or print only)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club and/or GFRW Office Held \_\_\_\_\_



# Georgia Federation of Republican Women

## REPORT OF THE 2023 GFRW NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Georgia Federation of Republican Women (GFRW) Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following slate of officers. We have verified that all candidates on the slate have met the eligibility requirements specified in the GFRW Bylaws and the qualifications in the GFRW Standing Rules to serve as an elected officer of the Georgia Federation of Republican Women for the term 2024-2025.

President	Pam Lightsey	Columbia County RWC
1st Vice President	Elaine Hollis	Middle Georgia RWC
2nd Vice President	Linda Clements	Middle Georgia RWC
3rd Vice President	Debra Coulter	Gwinnett County RWC
Secretary	Tyra Wingo	Cobb County RWC
Treasurer	Denise Ogino	Fayette County RWC
Asst. Treasurer	Mary Braun	Spaulding-Griffin County RWC

Submitted by the voting members of the 2023 GFRW Nominating Committee on the 25th day of August 2023.

Nominating Committee:

Vivian Childs, Chairman

### Members:

Lynn Vogel  
Anna DeBlanc  
Kimberly Johnson  
Sally Snyder  
Racheal Ferraris  
Maria Shoemaker

**GEORGIA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN  
FALL 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
AGENDA**

**FRIDAY, October 20, 2021  
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**(TENTATIVE)**

**Opening Ceremonies**

3:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Welcome, GFRW President Pamela Lightsey  
Invocation  
Pledge of Allegiance

**Introductions and Welcome**

Executive Board, Club Presidents, District Directors, Past Presidents, Standing  
Committee Chairs and Special Committee Chairs, Other Dignitaries  
Introduction of Sergeants at Arms and Time Keepers  
Appointment of Parliamentarian  
Proxy Committee and Call for Proxies  
Acknowledgement of Candidates and Guests

**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 the Minutes  
Approval of Convention Agenda  
Approval of Convention Rules  
Announcement of Convention Committee Appointments  
Report of Nominating Committee  
Nomination of GFRW Women of the Year  
Audit Committee

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Reports**

Executive Committee Reports, President's Report  
Treasurer's Report  
District Directors' Reports  
Standing Committees' Reports  
Special Committees' Reports

**Adjourn**

GFRW President Pamela Lightsey



**GEORGIA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN  
FALL 2023 BIENNIAL CONVENTION  
AGENDA  
SATURDAY, October 21, 2023  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**(TENTATIVE)**

**33rd Biennial Convention Agenda**

**Opening Ceremonies**

Call to Order and Welcome, GFRW President Pamela Lightsey  
Invocation  
Pledge of Allegiance  
National Anthem

**Introductions and Welcome**

Welcome  
Introduction of Head Table  
Appointment of Parliamentarian  
Introduction of Time-Keeper and Sergeants-at-Arms  
Introduction of Appointed Convention Committees  
(Arrangements & Planning, Credentials, Nominating,  
Registration, Resolutions, Rules, and Sergeant-At-Arms)  
Introduction of Credentials Committee  
Memorial Remembrance Ceremony

**Keynote Speaker(s)**

**Order of Business**

Report of Credentials Committee  
Reading of Convention Rules  
Report of the Rules Committee  
(Pursuant to Rules Committee Chairman, Ruby Robinson  
there are no Rules Changes to be voted on)  
Report of the Resolutions Committee  
Audit Committee  
Report of Nominating Committee  
Election of GFRW Officers  
Presentation of NFRW Awards  
Presentation of GFRW Elected Officers  
Election of GFRW Woman of the Year  
Presentation of Newly Elected Executive Board  
Comments from President Pamela Lightsey

**Additional Business**

**Adjourn**

District Directors meet with their Delegates  
to elect new Directors for 2022-2023

**DELEGATE/ALTERNATE CERTIFICATION FORM**

2023 Georgia Federation of Republican Women  
33rd Biennial Convention, Augusta, GA ~ October 21, 2023



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(Check appropriate sections below) I qualify for the voting body as a member of: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Club President ☐ Club President Alternate ☐ Club Delegate ☐ Club Alternate ☐ GFRW Officer

☐ District Director ☐ Standing Committee Chair ☐ GFRW Past President ☐ Committee Vice Chair (in absence of chair)

The GFRW Bylaws state: "The delegate shall be selected in such a manner as their respective clubs shall prescribe; the selection shall be made not less than two (2) weeks prior to the convention". In keeping with this measure, delegates need to be selected by October 7, 2023, and certification forms should be e-mailed to the address below.

**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CLUB PRESIDENT**

I hereby certify that the named individual is a member in good standing of my club and is qualified to represent this club as a delegate/alternate at the GFRW 33rd Biennial Convention on October 21, 2023, in Augusta, Georgia.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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