

Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the TENNESSEE FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC. (TFGC). TFGC is a charter member of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) and a member of Deep South Garden Clubs, Inc. (DSGC).

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

TFGC is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes and shall engage in the following programs in furtherance of such purposes:

- To support and encourage a broad program in civic development, conservation, ecology, environmental education, natural resources, youth activities, floral design, garden therapy, horticulture and landscape design
- To coordinate the interests of the federated garden clubs of Tennessee
- To promote the organization of new garden clubs and to encourage the membership in TFGC, NGC and DSGC
- To stimulate interest in the planning and care of home and community grounds and gardens and to share information on all topics relative to varieties, culture, and use of flowers, fruits, vegetables, shrubs, and trees
- To provide scholarships in horticulture, conservation, and allied areas through the sale of NGC calendars, projects, and donations
- To support and encourage the organization of junior, intermediate, and high school garden clubs
- To develop community interest in the restoration and preservation of historic sites, homes, and gardens in Tennessee.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. The membership of TFGC shall consist of independent garden clubs, councils of garden clubs, and Honorary and Life Members. Affiliate membership may be held by Audubon, plant and ornithological societies, and garden departments of other clubs. Membership is not based on nor refused to anyone for reasons of race, religion, color, national origin, disability, gender, or age.

Section 2. 2A. Any garden club with eight (8) or more members familiar with and willing to uphold the purposes of TFGC and desiring membership in the organization shall present the application to the District Director and the District Membership Committee the following:

- 1. Application in triplicate. See New Club Membership Application Form NC on the TFGC Website.
- 2. Letter from a sponsoring member club whose representative has visited the club and discussed the "Purposes of TFGC."
- 3. Copy of club's constitution and/or bylaws.
- 4. Copy of club's minutes of one regular meeting prior to application.
- 5. Alphabetical membership list with complete mailing addresses and 9-digit ZIP codes in triplicate.

After review by the District Membership Committee, the application shall be signed by the District Director and sent to the TFGC Membership Chairman. The TFGC Membership Chairman shall certify the application, then sign and secure the signatures of TFGC President and TFGC Treasurer.

Effective April 1, 2025, new clubs admitted to membership shall pay an admission fee of \$7.00 and annual dues of \$10.00 per club member due April 1 and delinquent June 1. Clubs in arrears shall automatically be dropped September 1.

Section 2. 2B. Youth garden clubs may become members of TFGC without privilege of voting or holding office when sponsored by an adult TFGC Garden Club. Effective April 1, 2025, an application fee of \$7.00 and \$10.00 dues per member for one year, payable to TFGC, shall be sent to the District Director in each District.

Section 3. Effective April 1, 2025, a club that desires reinstatement in TFGC after one or more years of absence shall pay the \$7.00 readmission fee plus \$10.00 per member dues for the current year and shall have the endorsement of the District Director and the District Membership Chairman in whose district the club is located. The name of the club shall be submitted to the TFGC Membership Chairman.

Section 4. Councils of garden clubs comprised of 3 or more clubs that have complied with requirements for membership may submit an application for membership. Effective April 1, 2025, the application, an admission fee of \$7.00 and dues of \$10.00 per member for one-year payable to TFGC, a copy of the constitution and/or bylaws of the council, the name of member clubs, and the city in which each club is located shall be forwarded to the District Membership Chair who shall process the application.

Section 5. Audubon, plant and ornithological societies, and garden departments of other clubs may become affiliates of TFGC without the privilege of voting or holding office. Effective April 1, 2025, an application fee of \$10.00 and \$23.00 dues per member for one year, payable to TFGC, shall be sent to the District Membership Chairman who shall process the application.

Section 6. The District Membership Chairman shall provide the TFGC Membership Chairman with complete credentials for clubs, councils, and affiliated clubs applying for membership. The TFGC Membership Chairman shall certify all credentials and present all applications for membership to the Board of Directors for approval. A majority of votes cast shall elect to membership. No application may be held for more than 60 days. The Executive Committee has the authority to act on applications between TFGC Board of Directors Meetings.

Section 7. Honorary Membership may be conferred on any person who has contributed distinctive service to the causes, purposes, and promotion of TFGC or who has been honored for outstanding achievement in garden club activities. Nominations to Honorary Membership shall be presented in writing to the TFGC Membership Chairman and approved by the Board of Directors. An Honorary Member in TFGC shall not have the right to vote nor to hold office.

Section 8. Life Membership may be conferred on any person who has contributed distinctive service to the causes, purposes, and promotion of TFGC or who has been honored for some outstanding achievement in garden club activities. Recommendation for Life Membership shall be made by any member of TFGC and approved by the District Director and TFGC President. Fee for Life Membership shall be \$75.00, payable to TFGC, and shall accompany the application. Also, Members are encouraged to purchase their own. These funds shall be kept in a Life Membership account from, effective April 1, 2025, \$8.00 dues per Life Member shall be paid annually into the general fund.

Section 9. Effective April 1, 2025, distribution of dues shall be as follows: \$1.00 per membership shall be paid to National Garden Clubs, Inc., and \$9.00 per membership shall be paid to the general fund.

Section 10. The fiscal year of TFGC shall be April 1 through March 31 inclusive.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

Section 1. The elected officers of TFGC shall be the President, President-elect, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and District Directors. The President and elected officers shall rotate through the districts in the following order: I, II, III, and IV.

Section 2. The district from whose membership the next President of TFGC is chosen shall elect a Nominating Committee at its Fall District Meeting in the year of even date. The District Board shall elect 3 members and an alternate, and 2 members shall be elected by the membership at large, each representing a different club. Within 2 weeks, the committee shall meet to elect a chairman by ballot. In the order of rotation, the District Nominating Committee shall present a nominee for President-elect for endorsement at the Spring District Meeting in the year of odd date. Nominations may be presented from the floor after obtaining the written consent of the nominee. A majority of club members present and voting shall endorse the President-elect.

In the following year of odd date, the Nominating Committee from the District in which the incoming President resides shall present a nominee for First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. Names may be presented from the floor after obtaining the written consent of the nominee. A majority of club members present and voting shall endorse these officers. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to report during the first business session of the annual meeting in the year of odd date. The election shall be held at the business session on the second day of the Annual Meeting. No member shall be eligible to serve as an elected officer who has not been a member of a garden club for at least 4 years prior to the election. Nominations may be made from the floor except for the incoming President, provided the written consent of the nominee and 20 signatures of district supporters have been obtained. If there is but one candidate for any office, voting shall be by voice. If there is more than one candidate for any office, voting shall be by ballot. A majority of the votes cast shall elect the office. No proxy votes shall be allowed.

Section 3. To be eligible for the office of President-elect, a member must have served at least 2 years as President of a garden club and an additional 2 years on the TFGC Board. The President-elect must reside in the district from which the succeeding officers will be elected. Each district shall endeavor to have a candidate prepared for this office in turn. No district shall propose a candidate for the office of President-elect unless she is fully qualified and endorsed by the district in which she resides.

Section 4. To be eligible for the office of First Vice President, Second Vice President, District Director, and Vice Director, a member must have served as President of a garden club and on either a TFGC District Board or the TFGC Board of Directors for 2 years. To be eligible for the office of Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer, a member must have served on either a TFGC District Board or the TFGC Board of Directors for 2 years.

Section 5. Only members of a TFGC garden club whose dues are paid up-to-date and regularly paid on time, no later than June 1, shall be eligible to hold office.

Section 6. The newly elected officers shall be installed at the last meeting of the Annual Meeting at which they were elected, and they shall assume office at the close of the meeting to serve 2 years or until their successors are elected. The retiring officers, with the exception of Treasurer, shall have completed the business of the year's work and at the annual meeting shall surrender to their successors all essential books and papers pertaining to their respective offices.

Section 7. Any officer serving as much as 1 year shall be credited with having served one term.

Section 8. A vacancy in office shall be filled as provided in this section.

- President: The First Vice President shall become President and serve the remainder of the term.
- Executive Committee: The TFGC Nominating Committee shall convene a special meeting to fill vacancies in the Executive Committee, other than President and District Directors, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. Nominations may be made from the floor provided written consent has been obtained from the nominee, and qualifications are met.
- District Director: The Vice Director shall become Director, and the District Nominating Committee shall present a candidate for the office of Vice Director subject to the approval of the District Board. Nominations may be made from the floor provided written consent has been obtained and qualifications are met.
- Chairmanships: Vacancies in any chair position shall be filled by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. PRESIDENT

The President shall:

- Preside at all meetings of TFGC and of its Board of Directors and Executive Committee
- Approve all bills before payment but may not approve any unbudgeted expense in excess of \$20.00 and in an emergency shall have authority to sign checks
- Be ex officio member of all Committees, except the Nominating Committee
- With the approval of all elected officers, appoint a Parliamentarian, Chaplain, Historian, and chairs of all Committees (with the exception of the Nominating Committee) and fill vacancies occurring in an appointed office or chair
- Present a condensed narrative report of her activities for the year at the Annual Meeting
- Upon recommendation for the host District, appoint the convention chair for each annual meeting to serve on the Board of Directors for the full 2 years
- Attend and speak at one meeting for each district during her term of office
- Represent TFGC at the NGC and DSGC Conventions and perform all other duties of the office.

Section 2. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

The First Vice President shall:

- Assist the President in the work of TFGC and in the absence or inability of the President to serve, assume and perform all duties pertaining to the office of President.
- Perform such duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 3. SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

The Second Vice President shall:

- Assist the President in the work of TFGC and in the absence of the First Vice President, shall serve, assume and perform all duties pertaining to the office of First Vice President.
- Perform such duties as assigned by the President.

Section 4. PRESIDENT-ELECT

The President-elect shall:

- Attend at least one meeting of each district
- Attend all Board of Directors Meetings
- Keep the Procedures Manual updated with all new Standing Rules, Job Descriptions, policies, convention rules, duties and responsibilities of officers and chairs. Printed copies of the Procedures Manual shall be available for all officers and chairs following the installation.

Section 5. RECORDING SECRETARY

The Recording Secretary shall:

- Keep, in permanent form, the Minutes of all meetings of TFGC, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee, and send copies of the Minutes to the President and to others as directed by the President within 30 days following any meeting. Send the minutes with approved signatures to the President. The President sends minutes to ALL board members.
- Archive Minutes at TFGC Headquarters, Ivan Racheff House and Gardens (hereafter referred to as IRH&G)
- Prepare a resume of actions taken at the Annual Meeting and at the Board of Directors Meetings for The Volunteer Gardener and send as soon as possible.
- The Recording Secretary sends approved Bylaw amendment motions to the TVG Editor for publication prior to the next Annual Meeting.

Section 6. CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

The Corresponding Secretary shall:

- Conduct the correspondence of the TFGC as directed by the President or Executive Committee
- Read communications at regular Board of Directors and Annual meetings
- Notify the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of all meetings

Section 7. TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

- With the approval of the President, be responsible for the collection and disbursement of all funds of TFGC with the exception of the Endowment Trust Fund
- Keep an accurate record and distribute a printed financial report to each Board of Directors member at each Board Meeting and compile a report to be read at the Annual Meeting
- Timely file all legal and tax-related forms to comply with laws and regulations governing TFGC
- Close the treasurer's books on March 31 in the year of changing administrations
- Notify affiliates, councils, and garden clubs when dues are due

Section 8. ASSISTANT TREASURER

The Assistant Treasurer shall:

- Keep the Investment and Restricted Funds accounts
- Administer the Benevolent Fund collected from the Board of Directors

ARTICLE VI. DISTRICTS

Section 1. Each District shall follow the election procedure as set forth in Article IV. Officers & Their Election.

Section 2. At the Spring District Meeting in the year of odd date, the Nominating Committee shall present a nominee for District Director, Vice District Director, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer. Names may be presented from the floor after obtaining written consent of the nominee. A majority of club members present and voting shall endorse the office of Director for election at the TFGC Convention in the year of odd date. A majority of club members present and voting shall elect the District officers, with the exception of the Director.

Section 3. DISTRICT DIRECTORS

The District Directors shall:

- Conduct the TFGC objectives in the District and assist the Membership Chair in organizing clubs
- Plan time, place, and program for Fall and Spring Meetings with Spring Meeting preceding the TFGC Annual Meeting
- Obligate the District in no way in the promotion of any other organization, partisan or otherwise
- Compile information from the TFGC Club Presidents Report Form for an overall report to the TFGC President
- Invite the President to all District Meetings
- Confer with the President-elect as to which District Meeting they plan to attend for the official visit
- Serve on the Ivan Racheff House and Gardens Board of Governors

Section 4. The TFGC Districts and the counties in Tennessee comprising each shall be as close as possible to the following:

- DISTRICT I. Carroll, Chester, Crockett, Decatur, Dyer, Fayette, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Lake, Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy, Obion, Shelby, Tipton, and Weakley (20 counties)
- DISTRICT II. Bedford, Benton, Cheatham, Coffee, Davidson, Dickson, Franklin, Giles, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury,

Montgomery, Perry, Robertson, Rutherford, Stewart, Sumner, Warren, Wayne, Williamson, and Wilson (26 counties)

- DISTRICT III. Georgia: Dade and Walker (2 counties); Tennessee: Bledsoe, Bradley, Cannon, Clay, DeKalb, Fentress, Grundy, Hamilton, Jackson, Macon, Marion, Moore, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Rhea, Sequatchie, Smith, Trousdale, Van Buren, and White (21 counties)
- DISTRICT IV. Anderson, Blount, Carter, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Cumberland, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Loudon, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier, Sullivan, Unicoi, Union, Washington, and Polk (28 counties)

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. TFGC shall conform as far as possible in its organization to that of NGC.

Section 2. The President shall appoint the necessary Committee chairs to operate efficiently the business of the organization.

Section 3. There may be special Committees appointed by the President as is deemed necessary for the work of this organization.

Section 4. Chairs shall conduct the work appropriate to their respective Committee as approved by the President and may select a Committee with the approval of the President.

Section 5. Upon completion of projects, chairmen handling monies shall submit a TFGC Financial Report Form with substantiating receipts and vouchers. All funds shall be reconciled with the Treasurer's records by the TFGC Finance/Budget/Internal Audit Committee appointed by the TFGC President.

Section 6. Within 30 days following the election, each outgoing chair shall turn over her complete file to her successor.

Section 7. Any TFGC Committee may meet by telephone conferencing or other electronic means as long as each person is able to hear all recommendations and enter into debate.

ARTICLE VIII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The TFGC Board of Directors shall be composed of the elected and appointed officers, former presidents, NGC board members, Committee chairs, Vice Directors; and the Ivan Racheff House and Gardens Board of Governors' Chairman, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. Vice Directors shall have a voice without voting privilege except when representing the Director. A total of 15 members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall have at least 3 regular meetings, one of which shall be held within 30 days following the NGC Board Meeting.

Section 3. Any contract and/or agreement shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee. If deemed advisable, such contract and/or agreement may be reviewed by an attorney.

Section 4. Each member of the Board of Directors shall submit a written report of the year's work at the Annual Meeting.

Section 5. Meetings of all TFGC Boards, Districts, Committees and Membership may be conducted by telephone and/or the use of electronic meeting services designated by the TFGC President or the Chairman calling the meeting. The electronic service shall support visible displays identifying those participating and those seeking to speak. The electronic services will support anonymous voting and will show or permit retrieval of results of votes or pending motions.

Electronic meetings shall be subject to all rules and regulations adopted by the TFGC Board of Directors to govern them which may include any reasonable limitations and requirements for member's participation. An anonymous vote conducted through an electronic meeting shall be deemed to be a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirement in the bylaws or rules that a vote be conducted by ballot.

ARTICLE IX. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The President, President-elect, First Vice President, Second Vice President, District Directors, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer shall constitute the Executive Committee. A total of 5 shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. In an emergency, this Committee shall be empowered to transact the business of TFGC between Board of Directors Meetings.

Section 3. In the event of the inability of the President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President to perform their duties, the Director of the District in which these Officers reside shall function as Chair of Executive Committee during an emergency.

ARTICLE X. ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board shall consist of the active former presidents of TFGC. When consulted, the duty shall be to consider questions affecting the procedure or policy of TFGC and to give opinions on such matters to the Board of Directors. The Chair of the Advisory Board shall be the immediate former TFGC President. In the absence of the Chair, a Chair Pro Tem shall be elected from the members present.

ARTICLE XI. REPRESENTATION

PART A. ANNUAL MEETING REPRESENTATION

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of TFGC may be held prior to DSGC and NGC or after DSGC and NGC conventions, with some flexibility when DSGC and NGC conventions are in Tennessee. The time and place of the meeting shall be set by the Board of Directors upon recommendation of the hostess district. A notice of the meeting shall appear in the issue of *The Volunteer Gardener* immediately preceding the Annual Meeting. A total of 50 members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. Delegates: Each member club shall be entitled to send to the Annual Meeting of TFGC the club president and 1 elected delegate for each 10 members or portion thereof.

Section 3. The privilege of making motions, debating and voting shall be limited to the Officers, Accredited Delegates or their Alternates, Committee Chairs, Life Members, and former Presidents of TFGC who are properly registered for the Annual Meeting.

PART B. NATIONAL & REGIONAL MEETINGS REPRESENTATION

Section 1. The Delegates to the Annual Meeting of NGC, as designated by the bylaws of NGC, shall be based on the aggregate paid membership of member garden clubs as designated by the bylaws of NGC.

Section 2. Election of Director and Alternate Director of DSGC:

One year prior to the designated election of a Director from Tennessee, the Board of Directors shall elect a Nominating Committee composed of 2 members from the Advisory Board and 3 from the Board of Directors. All Districts should be represented. They shall select 2 candidates who meet the requirements as stated in DSGC Bylaws. The Nominating Committee shall present the name of the nominee for Region Director and the name for Alternate Director for election at the next scheduled TFGC Board Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor provided written consent of the nominee has been obtained. Those elected shall have the endorsement of the Board of Directors of TFGC, signed by the President.

Section 3. DSGC Delegates and Alternates shall be elected at the Winter Board Meeting prior to the Annual Meeting of DSGC.

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Section 5. Election of DSGC Members and Alternate Members of NGC Nominating Committee: One year prior to the designated election for a DSGC Member and Alternate Member of NGC Nominating Committee from Tennessee, the Board of Directors shall elect a Nominating Committee composed of 2 members from the Advisory Board and 3 from the Board of Directors. All Districts should be represented. They shall select 2 candidates who meet requirements as stated in NGC Bylaws. To be eligible to serve as a member or alternate member of NGC Nominating Committee, each member shall have served 2 years as an elected officer of TFGC and a minimum of 2 years as a member of the Board of Directors of NGC at the time of election and shall have attended 2 of the previous 3 NGC Annual Meetings prior to assuming that position. The Nominating Committee shall present, in the even year, the name of the nominee for the NGC Nominating Committee Member and the name of the Altern ate Nominating Committee Member for election at the next scheduled Board of Directors Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor provided written consent of the nominee has been obtained.

ARTICLE XII. HEADQUARTERS LOCATION

The Permanent Headquarters for TFGC is Ivan Racheff House and Gardens located at 1943 Tennessee Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37950-0185, which is the property of TFGC. All permanent records of TFGC are to be stored in the Archives at Racheff House and Gardens.

ARTICLE XIII. IVAN RACHEFF HOUSE AND GARDENS

Section 1. The name of the standing Committee to administer the affairs of Ivan Racheff House and Gardens (hereafter referred to as IRH&G), TFGC Headquarters and property, shall be the IRH&G Board of Governors. The IRH&G Board of Governors shall consist of a minimum of 36 members from the membership of TFGC. Included in this number are the current President of TFGC, President-elect of TFGC, Treasurer of TFGC, District Director of each District of TFGC, IRH&G Chairmen of each District of TFGC, and the President of District IV Council of Garden Clubs. The IRH&G Board of Governors shall elect the balance of the active membership from District IV. The IRH&G Plan of Operation, adopted November 8, 1977, updated and revised with each administration, shall serve as the official guideline and becomes effective when approved by the TFGC Executive Committee. The latest revision shall be attached to the official Bylaws held by the Recording Secretary of TFGC during each administration. The TFGC President shall serve on the IRH&G Executive Committee.

Section 2. The Ivan Racheff House and Gardens Treasurer shall perform the duties designated by the TFGC President, Job Descriptions, Treasurers' Manual for TFGC, and designated by the Plan of Operation for IRH&G.

Section 3. The Ivan Racheff House and Gardens Assistant Treasurer shall assist the IRH&G Treasurer as delegated by the TFGC President, Job Description, Treasurers' Manual and the IRH&G Plan of Operation.

ARTICLE XIV. DISSOLUTION

Should TFGC dissolve or cease to exist for any reason, the Board of Directors at the time shall decide the disbursement of the assets belonging to TFGC to a similar organization. No officer, member, or group of members of TFGC shall benefit from the disbursement of any of the assets.

ARTICLE XV. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The TFGC Bylaws shall govern this organization by the current amended date. Current *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised,* shall prevail in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws of NGC.

ARTICLE XVI. AMENDMENTS

The TFGC Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of TFGC by a majority vote of delegates present, provided the amendment has been approved by TFGC Board of Directors and has been sent in writing to each Member Club at least 30 days before an Annual Meeting. Without such notice, the Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting by unanimous vote.

Amended by vote of the delegates at:

The Thirty-eighth Annual Meeting, April 20-22, 1965 The Thirty-ninth Annual Meeting, April 19-21, 1966 The Forty-second Annual Meeting, April 29-30 and May 1, 1969 The Forty-third Annual Meeting, April 7-9, 1970 The Forty-fourth Annual Meeting, April 27-29, 1971 The Forty-sixth Annual Meeting, May 1-3, 1973 The Forty-ninth Annual Meeting, April 6-8, 1976 The Fifty-first Annual Meeting, May 2-4, 1978 The Fifty-second Annual Meeting, April 9-11, 1979 The Fifty-fourth Annual Meeting, April 29-30 and May 1, 1981 The Fifty-sixth Annual Meeting, April 26-28, 1983 The Fifty-seventh Annual Meeting, April 24-26, 1984 The Fifty-eighth Annual Meeting, March 20-22, 1985 The Sixty-first Annual Meeting, April 19-21, 1988 The Sixty-third Annual Meeting, April 24-25, 1990 The Sixty-fourth Annual Meeting, April 8-10, 1991 The Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting, April 14-16, 1994 The Sixty-ninth Annual Meeting, April 29-30 and May 1, 1996 The Seventy-first Annual Meeting, April 22-23, 1998 The Seventy-fifth Annual Meeting, April 15-16, 2002 The Seventy-ninth Annual Meeting, April 4-5, 2006 The Eighty-fifth Annual Meeting, March 21-22, 2012 The Eighty-eighth Annual Meeting, April 22-23, 2015 The Eighty-Ninth Annual Meeting, April 14-15, 2016 The Ninety Annual Meeting, April 18, 2017 The Ninety-first Annual Meeting, June 18, 2018 The Ninety-second Annual Board Meeting, September 1, 2020 The Ninety-third Annual Board Meeting, December 1, 2021 The Ninety-seventh Annual Board Meeting, April 5, 2023 The Ninety-eighth Annual Board Meeting, March 21, 2024 The Ninety-nine Annual Board Meeting, April 22, 2025