

AYLF
May 19, 2011
Meeting Minutes

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On The Call:

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- ☎ Catherine Kelly Baird (California)

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Approved- Belle; 2nd- Tracy

Old Business: Committee Reports

- ❖ Website: liaison volunteer- Donna
 - updated spreadsheet and got a few email bounce backs; need to update calendar/events on AYLF website
 - Need volunteers to investigate which states have YLF- choose a state and report finding to Donna donna.foster@rsc.state.oh.us –inquire with funding agencies [DRS, CIL, DD and/or Governor’s Councils, UCEDDs] (see chart to know who’s investigating which state and which still need info)
- ❖ Log on to www.AYLF.proboards.com to join coordinator discussion boards
 - Also contains alumni discussion board
 - Network with other YLFs and national organizations

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- Encourage alumni to log on and join the discussion
- Link site on Facebook
- Includes references (ex. scholarships, newsletter)
- ❖ Treasurer: Tracy
 - No changes
 - Current account balance \$5,924.90
- ❖ Newsletter: Mary
 - Working on template
 - Constant Contact (inexpensive and accessible)
 - Send YLF info by end of August (photos, articles, YLF wrap ups)

New Business

- ❖ Guest Speaker- Catherine Kelly Baird
 - 20th yr of California Model

Background

- Nothing else existed
- Started with Chicano/Latino group (embrace culture and disability)
- Mainstreamed and unaware of disability culture

Main requirements:

- All participants have a disability (diverse)
- Speakers and presenters have a disability
- 50% staff have disability

People w/disabilities modeling for pwd

- 2 yrs in created a curriculum-workbook, staff/facilitator guide, “How To” manual for other states
- Adaptable to states

Q & A - Not sure I understand what these answers are in reference to

- Trademark name?
- Public domain- no-way to get YLF ?
- List of Core curriculum parts?
- 5 core modules (adapt to YLF)
- Calylf.org
- Philosophy: to support the social model of disability **not** the medical model
- **Youth/Staff outreach (age/grade of participants)?**
- Make sure students (and alumni staff) are at similar learning/development levels
- Caution against student/staff relationships during YLF
- **Affiliation Criteria?**
- continue the sustainability of YLF
- Contact AYLF

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- Nonprofit (Friends of Californians with Disabilities)

Social Media Issues:

American Camping Association (www.acacamps.org) social networking and other staff tips.

Don't Forget: AYLF Surveys after your YLFs

Meeting Adjourn!

HAVE A GREAT YLF!



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