

AYLF
February 21, 2012
Meeting Minutes

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December Minutes:

Approved-

✍ YLF 2012 Dates- Donna

- MA July 17-20
- IA July 15-20
- CA July 23-27
- OK June 12-16
- NC June 18-22
- VA July 23-27
- FL July 18-22
- OH July 16-19
- ID No Schedule Date
- MO July 22-25

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▪ **Other state updates**

STATE

COMMENTS

New Mexico

The New Mexico Governor's Council on Persons with Disabilities partners with the University of New Mexico to run a Youth Leadership program. The program is directed by an advisory board of ten youth with a wide range of cognitive and physical disabilities which meets four to six times a year. One primary activity is a campaign to sensitize non-disabled youth (primary through secondary) to disability with the tag line "What do you see when you look at me". The group develops public service announcements (PSA's), uses social media and makes live presentations at schools and colleges. They are nearing completion of an integrated curriculum for use in schools that contain a children's book, lesson plans for teachers and other media material. They were very interested in Ohio's Youth Leadership Forum and will be contacting us in the near future.

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New Hampshire

The Council has supported a few young adult conferences (day-long) organized by People First and the Alliance for Full Participation. They have a web site—People First of New Hampshire.

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Hawaii

Referred us to ww.cds.hawaii.edu/myvoice/ and www.ist.hawaii.edu/products.

They support Youth Leadership Academies and have developed a high school curriculum.

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Colorado

The Colorado Council has funded a leadership development project specifically aimed at youth ages 18 to 30. The project was called Taking Charge and brought in young adults and their support group. The project emphasized the principles of person-centered planning and the PATH planning model specifically.

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Delaware

Delaware runs a Junior Partners in Policymaking Program every other year. It is an inclusive program for students 15-21 years of age. The students stay in a dorm at the University of Delaware for a week, eat in the dining hall and attend classes on campus. Social activities are planned for each evening. The week culminates with a visit to the Legislative Hall where legislators brief them on the best ways to advocate for their issues.

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Utah

No like programs
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Illinois

Nothing to share
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- Louisiana Out until 01/02/12
No response since
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- Kentucky Does not have a program
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- Arizona E-mail was forwarded to Raising Special Kids, Best Buddies Arizona,
Pilot Parents and Special Olympics Arizona.
- Larry Clausen, Executive Director
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- Alaska No youth leadership programs. The University of Alaska at
Anchorage has created a youth-oriented training curriculum.
- Millie Ryan
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- New Jersey I am the Youth Advocacy Coordinator here at the Council and we run
two different kinds of programs the first is our more community based
program where we go out and provide training to advocate in the
community. Our other program is a program that we are still planning
but sounds much like the program that you have been running in
Ohio, modeled after the Calf. Our program has made some
adjustments to serve our advocates better. I have attached a election

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version of our community program and will forward our other program soon. Please feel free to call if you have other questions.

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South Carolina South Carolina has a 3 day event that sounds pretty similar to yours. We are hoping to expand our efforts with youth - specifically by doing more than just the forum. We plan to provide a grant for someone to bring some of the National Youth Leadership Network programs to SC - possibly their *Reap What You Sow* program and to connect youth around the state and help them to develop leadership skills that will grow into leadership roles in the future that can have a major impact.

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Treasurer's Report

Treasurer: Tracy (acting Treasurer) & Mike

- ❑ We need to elect a new treasurer (Tracy will help with transition)
- ❑ Nomination in March; Elect in April
- ❑ Don't officially have nonprofit status
- ❑ Tracy will confirm filing status with IRS before new election
- ❑ Rachel (CA) will inquire w/ steering committee for possible nominations and Donna will wait to see if her schedule frees up
- ❑ Donna will have Bylaws posted to AYLF website

AYLF Newsletter

- ❑ 2 newsletters annually
- ❑ **Before** YLF- featuring the accomplishments of YLF alumni

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- ❑ **After** YLF- feature what happened during the current YLF
- ❑ Kara will help Mary develop a **Before** YLF newsletter; submit the achievements of your state's alumni to Kara by March 16th

AYLF Planning

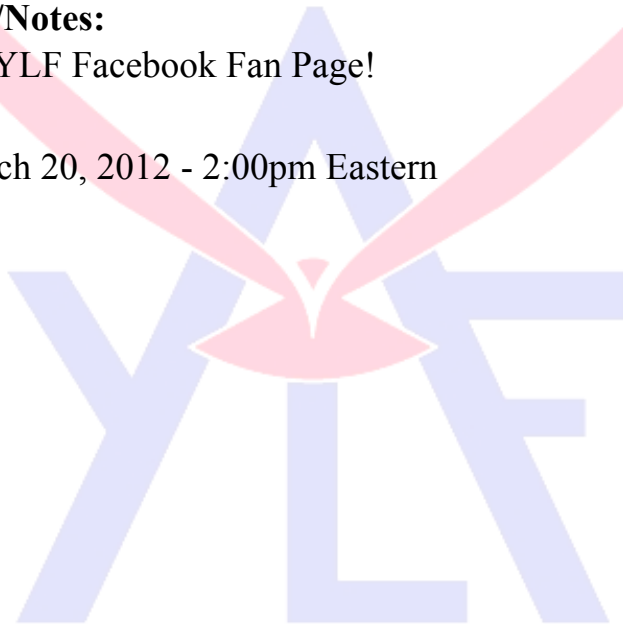
- ❑ Calls will return to third Thursday of the month after March
- ❑ Dr. Morningstar, chair of DCDT (Division of Career Development and Transition) will be on the call in March to discuss the benefits of a collaborative conference
- ❑ Jen will revise AYLF monthly topics of discussion
- ❑ Members may want to review each state's week of activities and/or videos on Youtube to discuss, share, or inquire about activities and guests, speakers, and o DCDT their YLF creative ideas

Announcements/Notes:

-  Like the AYLF Facebook Fan Page!

Next Meeting: March 20, 2012 - 2:00pm Eastern

Adjourn!



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