

On The Call:

Donna Foster (OH), Whitney Harris (FL), Daniel Gounder (CA), Alexis Nichols (VA), Kara White (VA) Cameron Thaller (SC), Anthony LaCava (FL), Carl Ortega (CA), Judy Grainger (MO) Beth Pinkham (RI) Jen Randle (OK), Susan Nicasastro (MA), Melissa Santora (AZ) Jami Davis (ID), Dave Windstrom (NC),

☞ **Opening Round:** Each person introduced themselves by sharing when their state's YLF will take place and when the delegate applications are due: OH - July 30 - August 3, apps due March 31; RI no YLF in 2017; VA - no YLF in 2017; MA - July 10 - 13, apps due April 30; AZ - waiting for dates; MO - July 18-22, apps due Feb 26; ID hoping to have YLF in 2018; SC - July 16-20, apps due March 31; OK - June 13- 17, apps due March 1; NC - July 9 -15, apps due March 31; FL - July 19-23, CA - August 1 - 4, apps due March 18.

☞ Minutes January and Directory

- Donna sent out January minutes before this call.
- Whitney has been updating the directory.
- Send any directory updates to Whitney at harris.whitneyd@gmail.com
- Minutes were approved.

☞ **Treasurer Report:** Jen gave balance update. The financial statement from January reflected a balance of \$2,931.77. No new deposits or withdrawals.

☞ Discussion: Tenants/Philosophy of YLF- Each state will pick a training topic and talk about how your YLF approaches that training topic.

- OH asked how states approach Resources and Technology. AZ reported that they do a reverse tech fair. They have presenters from outside come in and present in “infomercial style.” It’s fast and fun and brings a lot of energy to the session. MA reported that they work with Easter Seals and have a workshop where technology is displayed and the delegates actually can try the equipment. This is different than the resource fair.
- OK reported that they play the “Game of Life.” They have tables representing different areas of life like housing, employment, college, insurance agency, banking, even a casino and they are given \$2000 to pay bills, etc.
- CA reported that they have a large Legislator luncheon with about 300 people off site. They divide delegates by region.
- OK reported that they have “Capital Day.” The night before a legislator comes in and talks about what happens to a bill and why it’s important to debate. The delegates are split into 4 groups (2 for and 2 against) and they develop arguments. One of the pro-groups picks an author and introduces the bill, the con-group will do roll call. Speaker of the house ends the arguments and then there is a vote. Last year, they used the cigarette bill that was a current

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issue as the example.

✍️ **Website update**

- Anthony discussed the website discussion board to be able to share YLF documents amongst states.

✍️ **AYLF short video**

- Whitney discussed each state doing a short video at each of their YLF's this summer, to be used to create a montage video to be posted on the YLF video, and to be shared with other states.

✍️ **Survey Monkey**

- Donna does not have any updates at this time.

✍️ **Closing**

- Next month's topic will be staff training and orientation during each state's YLF.

Meeting time: 2:05-3:00 p.m. EST

Minutes recorded by Whitney Harris, AYLF Secretary and Donna Foster, AYLF Chair

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 2 pm Eastern Time

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