**Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) Governance Committee**

**Meeting Minutes – DRAFT**

Wednesday, November 23, 2023

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Zoom Video and Teleconference

**Committee Members**: Dani Anderson, Benita Baines, Ashley Burrell, Danielle Hess, and Catherine Campisi

**CCEPD Staff Members:** Maria Aliferis-Gjerde, Matt Baker, Margaret Balistreri, and Zachary Ford

**Members of the** **public:** Jonny Vallin, and Blair Webb

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Anderson began the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

1. **Approval of October 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve Hess/Anderson (Yes votes- 4) Anderson, Baines, Burrell, Hess, (No votes – 0) (Abstain votes – 1) Campisi. Passes 4-0-1

1. **YLF 2023/2024 Budget Updates**

Project Manager Baker reviewed the current budget updates.

YLF 2023

* $150,393 total expense
* $245,994 pledged funding
* Some funding has not yet been received.
* Some outstanding expenses remain to be paid for YLF 2023 budget (Staff Stipends/Travel Reimbursement/Sac State Parking)

YLF 2024

* $210,700 estimated operational budget
* We plan to ask YLF 2023 funders/sponsors for funding pledges in the coming weeks. We are asking for matched donations for YLF 2023
* We will have some carryover from 2023 funding from our private donors that we will add to the YLF 2024 budget once final expenses of YLF 2023 are paid and all pledged funding is received.

Member Campisi asked if we anticipate increased housing cost with the anticipated number of delegates increasing from YLF 2023. Project Manager Baker responded that cost estimates are based on a dormitory that is less expensive than the dormitory we used in 2023, so costs may be about the same or possibly less, depending on needs and accommodations.

1. **YLF 2024**

Project Manager Baker next went over the following:

Speakers and Presenters

Members were asked to brainstorm a list of speakers for various large group panels and presentations. Below is the list of speakers discussed with potential topic/sessions.

* Sarah Triano - Opening
* Rosie McDonnell-Horita - History
* Christina Mills - Opening
* Dani Anderson - Closing
* Rachel Stewart – After High School
* Nina G – Opening
* Kyla Aquino-Irving - Closing
* Michael Beers - Opening
* Gina Semenza - Closing
* Otto Lana - Closing
* Ky Hervey – After High School
* Gavin Su – IL Panel
* Steven Auclair – Mentors Luncheon or Capitol Day
* Peter Allmond Evans - After High School
* Patrick Henning – Capitol Day
* Eric Harris – Capitol Day
* Andy Imparato – Capitol Day
* Joe Xavier – Mentors Luncheon
* Ana Acton – IL Panel
* Leanne Libas – IL Panel
* Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha – Opening
* Keah Brown – Opening
* Alice Wong – Mentors Luncheon
* CSUS President (J. Luke Wood) – Mentors Luncheon
* Dr. Victor Pineda – Opening
* Dream Achievers – BBQ

Large Group Sessions Format

Project Manager Baker shared that on the AYLF national call, other state’s YLFs have multiple large group sessions running at the same time on different topics so that students can choose which session they would like to attend. It was suggested we split one session and try it out for YLF 2024. Potential topic was the Independent Living/Self-Advocacy panel and a new topic session on Mental Health/Peer Mentorship.

Mentoring Luncheon Logistics

Some speakers have already been brainstormed and we will need to discuss logistics for where to have the luncheon on campus and catering options.

Capitol Day Updates

Meetings have been held with Partners to discuss initial thoughts including locations for Capitol Day activities.

* Potential panel of folks who work in the legislature who are Persons with Disabilities
* Catered lunch (location TBD)
* Capitol Tours
* Elected officials who are champions of disability community and asking for recorded messages or official proclamations
* Capitol Steps photo done upon arriving on-site
* Consideration of construction when planning logistics

Possible locations (for Capitol Day Activities):

* Treasury (might also be under construction)
* Courts of Library
* New Legislative building

Project Manager Baker gave a brief update on current applications and current YLF presentations. So far, we have received 36 applications for YLF 2024. There seems to be a desire for a parents and family presentation which will be put together in the coming weeks.

Application deadline will be extended until end of January 1/31/2024, to allow for more applications to be submitted and to give students the holiday break to work on their applications.

1. **Regional YLF Updates**

Sacramento hosted first regional YLF event. It was held at Sacramento City College over the weekend of October 20-22. 17 students attended and learned about disability history, self-advocacy and were introduced to programs and services which will help them in reaching their employment and education goals as they transition out of high school.

San Diego and Los Angeles are still planning events for early 2024. Other potential areas for regional YLF events and community partnerships will be explored in 2024.

1. **Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

There were no items at this time. It was announced to the group that one of our CCEPD members and supporter of YLF, Robert Sifuentes passed away. Something can be incorporated into YLF 2024 as a memorial to him.

1. **Public Comment**

None

1. **Adjourn at 3:04.**