

**YAB Statewide Meeting**  
**September 17, 2015**

**Attendees:**

***North Central Region:***

**Youth:** Autumn Osbourne, Margaret McClure, Cheyenne Criley

**Alumni:** None

**Staff:** Melinda Barrett

***North East Region:***

**Youth:** Emma Newton, Amina Durant, Michael Rodriguez, Patrick Hockenberry,  
Ramoondo Bond

**Staff:** Kim Hess, Lindsey Glezen, Janice Reindel, Jennifer Hausman

***North West Region:***

**Youth:** None

**Staff:** None

**WebEx Youth:**

**WebEx Staff:**

***South Central Region:***

**Youth:** Michelle Brady, William Roachat, Yani Torres

**Staff:** Leasia Ayers-Caswell, Amy Kidd, Jesse Northridge

***South East Region:***

**Youth:** Breonna Williams, Aicha Soumaoro, London Woods

**Staff:** Jean Strout, Angelique Israel

**WebEx Youth:**

**WebEx Staff:**

***South West Region:***

**Youth:** Destany M.

**Staff:** Kaeleigh Gagnon

**WebEx Staff:** Alexis Fisher, Kim Gavran

**WebEx Youth:** Tyvonn Goodwin

***OCYF:*** None

***PA Partnership:*** None

***SWAN:*** Brenda Lawrence

***CWRC:*** Barbara Huggins, Meghan O'Hare, Cindy Gore, Chris Reese, Demara Williams, April Philips (WebEx), Jen Kerr, Andrea Richardson, Russ Cripps (WebEx)

## **1. Welcome and Introductions – Barbara Huggins**

- Covered meeting agenda
  - 2016 YAB Summit Update
  - Speakers Bureau Discussion
  - Focus Group
  - Developmentally Appropriate Freedoms Training

## **2. YAB Summit Update – Barbra Huggins**

- 2016 YAB Summit dates – 06/09/2016 & 06/10/2016
- Hotel accommodations will be available for staff / youth travelling more than two hours on 06/08/2016
- Youth had an opportunity to sign up for Summit steering committee
- Summit steering committee meetings will be held at 09:00am, one hour before Statewide meetings

## **3. Speakers Bureau Discussion – Barbara Huggins**

- Created to recognize panel members for a speakers bureau
- Discussion held between youth about level of interest in starting speakers bureau
  - Youth agreed for those who would be interested
  - Youth expressed interest in doing something independently and helping others just by telling their stories
  - Draft structure will be ready for November Statewide meeting to help gauge level of interest

## **4. APPLA Focus Group – Jean Strout & Barbara Huggins**

- Jean Strout and Barbara Huggins facilitated APPLA focus group to gather youth feedback
  - Focus Group notes are attached

## **5. Developmentally Appropriate Freedoms Training – Barbara Huggins**

- DAF guide has been updated with 2015 Older Youth retreat focus group notes
- Group broke out into groups and facilitated “Round Robin” activity
  - 5 groups covered one section of DAF Guide
  - Each group will train other groups
  - Groups facilitated role playing activity based on DAF Guide

## **6. Upcoming Statewide Meetings – Barbara Huggins**

- Looking for regional volunteers to facilitate upcoming Statewide meetings
  - November – NC (Tioga) to facilitate
  - January – SC to facilitate

- March – SE to facilitate
- Discussion had between group about holding an additional Statewide meeting in July
  - Notice needs to be given to youth and staff in order to give notice and check schedules
  - Date for July meeting will be discussed on YAB Supporters call in October

**7. November Meeting Agenda Items – Barbara Huggins**

- Regional Report Outs
- DAF Guide
- Lackawanna county presentation
- YAB 101 Game / Ice-breaker

**8. Statewide Meeting AAR**

- What went well?
  - Communication
  - Expressing your thoughts
  - Role playing activity
  - Learning from different people
  - Everyone gave good input and participated well
- What can be improved?
  - More youth facilitation
  - Have a regional representative to report back at regional meetings

**9. Upcoming Statewide Meetings**

- Thursday, November 12                      Juniata C & D
- Thursday, January 14                        Juniata C & D
- Thursday, March 17                            Juniata C & D