



FLORIDA YOUTH COMMISSION

Blake Maier, Chair

Matthew Nadel, Interim Vice Chair

MEETING MINUTES

February 18, 2015

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Secretary: The general meeting of the Florida Youth Commission was called to order February 18, 2015 at 11:40 a.m. by the Commission Chair, Blake Maier.

Leadership Update

FYC manager Caitlin Camechis stated that we need to encourage students to apply to the FYC for the 2015-2016 term. Direct them to flgov.com/fyc for details and to download the application itself.

The Commission will consist of only 12 members next term. Only rising sophomores and juniors may apply. The minimum GPA requirement has been raised to 2.5.

Blake will attend the Children and Youth Cabinet meeting next week where he will discuss our policy initiative and air our official FYC video.

Caitlin stated that the FYC will not hold a workshop at Peace Jam. During Children's Week, nine to ten commissioners will participate in the Town Hall meeting. The commission will attend Florida Youth Shine after the Town Hall meeting.

Committee Updates

Morgan Denhart, the Vice Chair of the Communications Committee, gave the committee update in the absence of committee Chair Matthew Nadel.

The FYC video will be finished in time for the Children and Youth Cabinet meeting. Commissioner Nick LaFalce is currently working on the official FYC website. Morgan is working on the "Senior Video."

The Outreach Committee update was not available.

Ella Biggins, the Vice Chair of the Government Affairs committee, gave the committee update in the absence of committee Chair Elias Rosenfeld.

Each GA committee member will meet with two government representatives each month. Each member is also responsible for following a House bill relating to the youth in Florida. A student poll has been created and submitted to the Communications Committee to be uploaded to the FYC website.



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New Business

Blake reiterated that commissioners need to fill out forms and return them to Caitlin on time.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Christal Hector

2014-2015 Secretary, Florida Youth Commission, Southwest Ranches



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