

2020 NAD Young Adult Ministries Advisory Minutes



Date: Tuesday, Feb 25, 2020

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Place: Double Tree Hilton, Dallas, Campbell Centre

PRESENT:

NAD: Tracy Wood

AUC: Malaika Sharp, Daniel Velez

CUC:

LUC: Eric Jean-Baptiste, Abraham Henry

MAUC: Kiefer Dooley, Tim Floyd, Makenzy Jean, Mark Tamaleaa,

NPUC: Rob Lang, Benjamin Lundquist, Rachel Scribner, Jeff Wines

PUC: Steve Case, Ron Pickell

SDACC: John Scott

SUC: Don Keele, Natasha Richards, Nelson Silva

SWUC: Deborah Gendke, Justin Yang

1. Reports

a. NAD YA Ministries Report – Tracy Wood (20 min)

i. **YA Leaders Networking and Webinars 2020**

Upcoming Dates: May 20, August 12, November 11

Change from a focus group to networking and a webinar. The union rep thing isn't working for this forum because of lack of attendance

Agenda: 2 parts 1) What's happening?; and 2) What do you need?

Have a report deadline 2 weeks in advance; 1 week in advance the reports are sent out to everyone so we don't have to do it during the Zoom conference call.

What is the expectation for the union rep?

ii. **ONETEAM PLAYBOOK 2020: September 3-5, 2020 in Albuquerque**

Different tracks (children's ministry, basic youth, Youth IGNITE, IGNITE Spanish, Engage, YAL, Growing Young Adventists, PCM, and Train-the-Trainer

b. YA Network Development – Tracy Wood (20 min)

i. **YA Pastors Network Development – Called Conv, who is attending?**

How many are going? Youth Directors who run summer camps usually can't get away for something like this. Union youth directors don't have camp.

NAD Youth and Young Adult Ministry has submitted 4 training tracks with 4 sessions each. Growing Young has 2 sessions (Kara Powell and then Allan Martin). Campus Ministries has 1 session (put it into ACFI later).

ii. **University Student Leaders Advisory & Network Development**

- We often lose them. We do not maintain contact when they leave for school, and then we don't know when they finish school. They may move back or move on, but still return to visit their parents at the local church. How can we do better in maintaining contact?
- 5 Student Networks at NAD right now: ACF Student Association Officers, AIA President and officers, Adventist Campus Ministries, AACP Summer Camp Staff, SDA Theological Seminary Student Association
- What training should we provide for these students who return to church after finished college/university? They are not likely to know conference or union leaders. Are you going to connect with an existing church or create a new one? It might be both: connect and create in the same place. Only 20-40% of SDA college students attend the local university church now. Include the campus ministry leader at the SDA college in your conference young adult advisory. Draw Camp staff key leaders to your conference advisory

2. Vision Casting 2020 & Beyond – Feedback

a. **Yearly Initiatives – NSO Ministry Development – Tracy Wood, Helvis Moody (20 min)**

- i. Bill Cork is a key person for military chaplaincy. Helvis Moody has been working with Tracy Wood on this recently.
- ii. Decades ago, National Service Organization (NSO) was under the youth director. Now it is part of the chaplaincy ministry. Not much is happening now. Things are different; you cannot just get info on military personnel. More SDAs in the military now than during the draft years.
- iii. Collaborating—NAD Youth and Young Adult Ministry with Chaplaincy Ministries for NSO in ministry to young adults in the military. Collaborate with Education, Ministerial, Community Services, Personal Ministries, Women's Ministries, Men's Ministries, Family Ministries.
- iv. Starting 5 pieces of information (not yet voted)
 - a) Equipping our Pastors
 - b) Educating our Members
 - c) Encouraging our Families
 - d) Empowering our Veterans (serve 4 years and they are still young adults)
 - e) Selective Service Alternatives
- v. Retired chaplains are key people that could be recruited to serve.
- vi. NAD unions have chaplaincy members assigned to their union. Check with Bill Cork regarding who has been assigned to your union.

b. **Continuing Ed Development & 180 Symposium – Tracy Wood (20 min)**

- i. Formal Education – What are you doing to continue your education? We serve young adults who are smarter than us and more educated than us. What are you doing to expand beyond church conversations? Need for us to become multi-minded.
- ii. Andrews DMin—one avenue for additional education and growth. With letters behind your name, and with strong SDA attendance, we become part of the leadership team and there is more cross-fertilization. Degrees open doors in the academic world.

- iii. Andrews MA for Youth Directors? Andrews has approached Tracy to ask what he might do with this. It has been difficult to get graduates jobs with this degree.
- iv. Conventions – For personal and professional growth, think cyclically: Per day, per week, per month, per year, etc. Catalyst, Re-Think, Global Leadership Summit. SDAs are showing up in numbers and there is more cross-fertilization.
- v. 180° Symposium – Annual meeting with sharing papers on a given topic, and then brainstorming as a group on that topic. All of this is written up for a resource for those present and those beyond.