

### **\*\*Next steps\*\***

- 1) Please answer baseline survey questions (these are questions we can have everyone fill out as they enter the project) at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/V3P7QVL>
- 2) Please send any questions or updates for the project/website ([www.studentscommission.ca/yap](http://www.studentscommission.ca/yap))
- 3) Please send any other suggestions for upcoming call agenda items

### **Check-in and Introductions: Attendees**

A great turnout from our partners across the country to meet one another:

Gord Miller (UVic), Robin Swets (Ministry of Child and Family Development, BC), Bonnie Heilman (Youth Launch), Patti McDougall (St. Thomas More College), Moffat Makudo (Multicultural Youth Council), Mark Pancer (Wilfrid Laurier), Marla Pender (City of Kitchener), Jan Vesna, Brittany Tough and Sandra Morris (Boys and Girls Clubs Canada and Ontario), Linda Rose-Krasnor (Brock), Stoney McCart (Students Commission, CEYE), Kim Charteris (YMCA GTA), Susan O'Neill (John Howard, NB), Susan Reid (St. Thomas University), Maria Cain, Isabelle Levert-Chiasson, Emily (HeartWood), Dave Bourgeois (St. Mary's University)...if I missed a few names, my apologies!

Regrets: Sylvia Caissie, Lori Palubeski, Dave Farthing, Dan Khimasia

### **Principles for working together:**

- Built-in wherever possible to existing work and interests (win/win)
- Create easy, accessible, time efficient methods of data collection for the project
- Efficient management systems: minimal nagging
- Every large collaborative call or meeting advances the project concretely
- 4 Pillars: Respect, Listen, Understand, Communicate
- Clear Goals: big picture and small picture
- Making sure we're having fun
- Youth engagement-centered approach

### **Questions:**

#### **How do we define youth?**

- definitions are different across our programs/contexts
- This question has been added to the open-ended survey and we will share our answers together

#### **What is the timeline?**

- Flexible: we have planned for 18 months adjusted to programs, etc. which tend to run with the school year. Technically we were approved at the end of April, but waiting for funds until end of August. Our process acknowledges that what may seem long to one partner may seem very short to another so we have some flexibility (the grant is for 2 years).
- How we undertake this project, i.e. balancing time, sense of accomplishment, productivity, meaningfully taking the time, and other processes will reflect the questions that we're asking related to engaging youth, youth-adult partnerships, and fulfilling our organizational missions

**In order to uphold clarity principle, what do you need to know on the website - does it fulfill your needs?**

-Add link to partners' websites on Partner Projects (done)

**Connection to other Grants?**

-We will be applying for a larger Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Partnership Grant for which the letter of intent will be prepared this fall. This current Youth-Adult Partnership project will set the stage for future partnership projects.

-Please suggest other names of partners that you think should be included in the letter of intent

**Agenda items for next meeting:**

-Review and discuss answers to the survey questions

-Invite youth partners (and invite them to contribute their answers the survey questions prior to the call)

-Share opportunities for youth to meet (e.g. YMCA Exchanges program)

-Youth Engagement principles and potential links to both the process and content of our projects (see YEP4 report that Stoney circulated prior to this call)

-Other suggestions?