National Youth Board

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USPC National Youth Board Newsletter 2025 USPC Convention Recap

NYB Mission Statement

It is the mission of the National Youth Board (NYB) to act as a liaison between the youth membership of the USPC and the Board of Governors by communicating the needs, ideas, and concerns of USPC youth to governing officers.

The National Youth Board's mission has always been to act as a liaison between the youth members of USPC and the Board of Governors, as well as generating ideas and proposals on important issues and conducting projects under the direction of the National Office. The NYB aims to increase consistent involvement from all NYB delegates, as well as increasing general USPC member engagement and interest.

Annual Fund

As of February 2025, the NYB has achieved 67% giving to the Annual Fund with a goal of 100% by March 1. NYB Board Liaison Yvette R. Seger, PhD, will match any donations made by the National Youth Board during this timespan.

Regional Youth Boards Workshops

During the Convention, Lydia Eilinger and Jocelyn Hunt presented two workshops on creating and maintaining Regional Youth Boards with assistance from Sophie Redmon. Other youth board members participated in the discussion and supported other members during the session. The main topics covered were creating a youth board, member-driven projects, how to elect officers, and ensuring longevity for boards.



National Youth Summit

The National Youth Summit was held on January 21 during Convention, with 21 members ages 11 to 18 attending. The summit was focused on bridging the gap between regional involvement and national participation (in the National Youth Congress and National Youth Board). The summit focused on development of leadership skills, such as communication, as well as exploring how your involvement in Pony Club sets you up for the future. The National Youth Board members presented on this topic with members leading breakout groups or with exercises getting to know the next generation of leaders.



NYB Service Project

The National Youth Board went to the Autumn House Assisted Living Center in Traverse City, Mich., on Saturday during the convention, creating bedazzled horseshoes (horseshoes donated by the Great Lakes Region), participating in stretching exercises, playing board games, and interacting with the residents.



Passion Projects

The National Youth Board will be continuing with the Pin Project in 2025. Kate Gerth is the chair of this project and will continue the efforts to expand and grow the Pin Promise.

The second passion project will be focused on supporting the Regional Youth Boards, with Isabelle Dow serving as chair. This project will aim at connecting and coordinating between Regional Youth Boards to help guide and expand each youth board as a whole.

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Members and Closing

Finally, we would like to acknowledge all our new 2025 delegates and their positions. See the photo below to see the current board (not all are present).

Jocelyn Hunt – Advisor Marissa Redmond – Chair Mason Konesky – Vice Chair Isabelle Dow – Treasurer Lindsey Groves – Secretary Kate Gerth – Social Media Coordinator Charlotte Tincher Cecilia Freese Ariana Dickey Riley Rebholz Sydney Langley Meghan Hill

Once again, please share this information with your clubs and members. We are always eager for applications and potential delegates. Applications for 2026 will open in the fall of 2025.

