

## **Division of Youth Officers**

### **Purpose**

- To bring Glory to God through Jesus Christ who has redeemed us by faithfully fulfilling their expected tasks.
- To promote, within the Youth Division, a commitment to and appreciation for the overall mission of the Baptist General Convention of Virginia.
- To provide youth the opportunity to actively participate in the Baptist General Convention and develop their individual leadership skills.

### **Qualifications**

- All candidates must be committed Christians. They must also be active members of their churches and have provided stellar service and support of the Baptist General Convention of Virginia.
- Candidates must have and maintain at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average, and must turn in an official copy of their high school transcript.
- Candidates for the office of President must be a sophomore or junior at the time of the election. Vice-President and Secretary Candidates may be a freshman, sophomore, or junior.

### **Duties & Responsibilities**

#### **President**

- The President will preside at all meetings.
- They will represent the division in all designated meetings of the Convention and its constituencies or when asked by the Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.
- They will serve closely with the Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries to provide innovating and stimulating program that will be helpful and readily available to all members of the division.
- Be Available for speaking engagements representing the Youth Division.

#### **Vice President**

- The Vice President is expected to preside in the absence of the President or when the President assigns that responsibility.
- They are also expected to represent the Division when asked by the president or the Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.
- The Vice-President will work closely with the President and Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries to provide innovating and stimulating program that will be helpful and readily available to all members of the division.
- Available for speaking engagements representing the Youth Division.

#### **Secretary**

- The Secretary will take accurate minutes at each meeting of the Division or Youth Advisory Team.
- They are to provide copies of the minutes to the executive board and youth advisory team. They are responsible for all correspondence to members of the Youth Advisory Council.

- The Secretary will work closely with the President and Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries to provide innovating and stimulating program that will be helpful and readily available to all members of the division.
- Available for speaking engagements representing the Youth Division.

### **Election Procedures**

- All candidates for Division of Youth state officers **MUST** submit all application materials to the election committee postmarked or hand delivered on or before March 1, to the Baptist General Convention of Virginia State Office (**NO EXCEPTION**). Address candidate information to Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries. (**The elections committee will only accept one candidate per church for each office**).

The following items need to be included in the application:

- An official copy of their high school transcript, showing the cumulative grade point average of a 2.5 or greater.
- Three (3) references from the following individuals
  - Pastor
  - Youth Director/Minister
  - Current school teachers
  - 1 page essay on “Your Personal Leadership History”

**All Essays should be in Times New Romans 10 font, double spaced, be sure to include some knowledge of the Baptist General Convention.**

The application will account for twenty **(20%)** percent towards the election results.

- The election committee will interview each candidate regarding; their salvation history, spiritual development, personal goals, and leadership experience and extra-curricular activities. Candidates will be interviewed prior to the election either in person or via conference call.

The interviews will account for thirty-five **(35%)** percent of the election results.

- Candidates must provide a 2—3 min. video speech—“Why I am the best Candidate”. This video will be viewed at Youth Retreat I during the General Session on Saturday Morning. There is to be on rapping, singing, dancing, etc. during the video presentation.
- CANDIDATES DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT/ATTEND AT YOUTH RETREAT I, IN ORDER TO RUN FOR OFFICE.
- The Election will take place Saturday Morning of Youth Retreat I.

At-large Ballots will account for forty-five **(45%)** percent towards the election results.

- **Election Scale**
  - 20% APPLICATION
  - 35% INTERVIEW
  - 45% AT-LARGE BALLOT VOTES