

CSLYOPs co-chair-elect position description

If you are planning to submit your Nomination Form to serve as CSLYOPs co-chair-elect, please read through this position description carefully in order to understand responsibilities and time commitments for this elected position.

Requirements for Election:

- Must be between 15-18 years of age, or entering grades 10-12 at time of election.
- Must be a member of an ELCA congregation.
- Must have complete nomination turned in at CSLYOPs 2007.

Constitutionally, the CSLYOPs co-chairs-elects (who then continue on to serve as co-chairs) shall: (from ELCA Lutheran Youth Organization Constitution, 7.30.11)

- a. *Prepare an agenda for all meetings of the council with the assistance of the council secretary;*
- b. *Preside over all meetings of the council;*
- c. *Submit reports on the meetings of the council to the board, council, and triennial convention;*
- d. *Be a member of the board with the second year chairpersons being members of the Executive Committee. [of the LYO Board]*

Additional information that may be helpful in discerning commitment:

- Youth elected serve a two year term, first year as co-chairs, and second year as co-chair-elects. So youth being elected at CSLYOPs 2009 means their terms will be up at CSLYOPs 2011.
- Co-chairs and co-chair-elects attend all Board of the LYO meetings. There are two meetings per year, usually held from a Thursday evening through Sunday noon.
- Co-chairs serve on the Board of the LYO executive committee, which usually meets Thursday afternoons before the board meetings and/or has one or two additional meetings each year (not necessarily involving travel), depending on business.
- Co-chairs and co-chair-elects communicate regularly with one another and with other LYO Board members in between face-to-face meetings in order to carry out the work of the LYO.
- Co-chairs and co-chair-elects usually meet an additional weekend per year to do a site visit and plan for the next CSLYOPs.