



Report from RI Staff



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Opportunities in 2010-11



- 2010 Council on Legislation - New Generations Avenue of Service
- RI's Revised Strategic Plan (2010-2013)



Certification Update

- Certification renewal
- Recertification
- District evaluations
- Annual required reporting
 - *Inbound student Guarantee Forms*
 - *Contact information for 2nd and 3rd host families*



RI Policy Changes

Youth Exchange Finances

- Operation of District Funds (RCOP 17.060)
- Outbound Student Preparation (RCOP 41.080.11)
- Survey findings - March 2010
 - **77%** charge fees to **long-term** outbound students; majority have a flat-fee of less than **US\$2000**
 - **58%** charge fees to **short-term** outbound students; majority have a flat fee of less than **US\$250**



RI Policy Changes

Youth Travel Policy

- Travel by Youth (RCOP 2.110.4)
 - Tours and trips outside of district
- **New policy:** Travel by Youth Exchange Students
 - Customary student travel with host family or district approval
 - Written permission of guardians needed for travel "outside of local area as defined by district"



Program Resources & Support

- Youth Exchange Directory
- Secure site for workgroup: *revised platform!*
- Annual survey goes *online* for 2010
- Publications: *new brochures available and training manual coming soon!*
- Youth Exchange e-Newsletter (*English-only*)
- 2010-11 RI Committee Structure
- Rotary Coordinators: *starting 1 July!*



Staff Roster

- Kate Hoeppel, Supervisor
- Tom Woods, Senior Coordinator
 - Certification, RI policy, youth protection inquiries
- Maria Spencer, Coordinator
 - Preconvention meeting, newsletter, Annual Survey Report
- Jessica Borrego, Correspondent
 - Guarantee forms/student data, directory updates



Thank you!

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