



Dear Prospective NFTY Ohio Valley Regional Board Candidate,

Mazel tov on your decision to run for NFTY-OV Regional Board! You have already completed your first task as a candidate...deciding to run for office. It is exciting to know that the future of NFTY OV lies in the hands of such enthusiastic leaders. It is important that you understand the many duties and obligations required of the Regional Board positions. All require dedication, a significant amount of your time, and a financial commitment. Please read over this material with your parent/guardian and your youth group advisor and discuss with them what being on Regional Board will mean for you. **As a reminder: You do not have to be affiliated with or a member of any congregation to participate in NFTY or run for Regional Board. Commitment, desire, motivation and time is all that is required.**

There are many things that you must complete to be eligible to run for office. **Please read this packet with your parent/guardian. Also, please complete the Candidate Information Form by 5:00 PM Eastern on Friday, March 6. The completed paperwork will be due a week later Friday, March 13.**

This packet includes:

- Prospective Regional Board Letter
- Parent Letter
- Candidate Declaration Form
- Brit Avodah (Work Covenant)
- Position Duties and Responsibilities per NFTY-OV Constitution
- Regional Board Expectations and Election Guidelines
- Parental, Jewish Professional, and Temple Youth Group Advisor Certification Forms (if you are not affiliated with a congregation and/or do not have a youth group advisor, please contact Dori Singer Zoot to complete this form).
- NFTY-OV 2020-2021 Regional Calendar and Regional Board Contact Information

As an executive leadership position honors you, you must honor the obligations of that position. NFTY places significant emphasis on youth leadership opportunities – such as running for Regional Board. Therefore, it is imperative that you understand the many duties and obligations associated with Regional Board positions. Please read over the enclosed job descriptions carefully so that you may be sure that your interests and abilities suit the position that you are considering. You are required to have a phone conversation with the current board member holding the position you seek.

To officially run for office, you must submit all completed materials **by 5:00 PM on March 13, 2020** to the Regional Director, Dori Singer Zoot. All candidates must declare their candidacy by this time, and no election materials will be accepted after this date. Your signature on the contract states that you understand the integrity associated with the role of being a NFTY Ohio Valley Board Member and are willing to meet the expectations if elected.

I am looking forward to next year. NFTY-OV is a fabulous region, and every year we set the bar a little bit higher. The role of each Board member will be very important. We have high expectations for all board members to work hard and shine as leaders! Good Luck! Feel free to call me with any questions or concerns you may have about running for Regional Board.

L'shalom,

Dori Singer Zoot
Regional Director
dsinger@urj.org



Dear NFTY-OV Parent/Guardian,

It is so exciting to know that your teen feels significantly connected to a Reform Jewish youth organization and wants to explore their leadership potential within the group. This is an important decision for your family. I hope that your teen has taken some time to discuss this opportunity with you. A Regional Board position requires a sizable commitment from your teen. Some teens find it challenging to serve on Regional Board while participating in school sports, theater, or other extra-curricular activities. In this light, it is very important that each candidate, as well as their parents, understand the obligations of holding a Regional Board position.

School, health, and special family circumstances will continue to be a priority during the year that your teen serves on the Regional Board. Your teen will hopefully learn time management skills and how to balance schoolwork, NFTY, and other typical high school activities. Your teen will be expected to participate in local, regional, and national events, board functions, and weekly video conference calls. You understand that your teen is making a commitment to make NFTY-OV their primary extracurricular activity. You may want to discuss with your teen how they plan to handle the demands and responsibilities of Regional Board, and if eliminating other time-consuming activities would be necessary if elected to serve on the Regional Board.

The time commitment is as follows:

- 1) Attendance at all NFTY Ohio Valley events (approximately four per year) in their entirety plus New Board Training and Mid-Year Board Retreat
- 2) Attendance at regularly scheduled weekly Regional Board meetings via video conference calls.
- 3) Help in preparing and planning for regional events.
- 4) Attendance at Mechina (Regional Board Training) in early June and NFTY Convention in February
- 5) Impromptu or emergency board functions.
- 6) Helping promote membership within the region by participating in local TYG events.

Naturally, there are situations where there is a prior family commitment or unforeseen circumstances. These situations will be given consideration. The financial responsibilities of a Regional Board member are as follows:

- 1) Your teen will be expected to attend and pay for every regional event. Since the cost of regional events is substantial, Regional Board members will be given priority discounts (if they apply) and expected to register during early-bird period. Regional Board members are also encouraged to request additional scholarships/financial assistance from home synagogues.
- 2) Mechina in June and NFTY Convention in February will be partially subsidized by the region. You will also be responsible for transportation to California for Mechina and Texas NFTY Convention.

If elected, your teen will be a Regional Officer. They are expected to follow and uphold the [NFTY Brit Kehillah](#) (Code of Conduct), at all times. Regional Officers serve as role models for other teens and, leading by example, set the standards for acceptable behavior at events. If they fail to do so, your teen may be removed from their position in addition to receiving additional consequences for unacceptable actions.

Holding a position on the Regional Board offers an extremely fulfilling and rewarding experience. As the NFTY-OV Regional Director, I get to work closely with the Board to provide support and help them work together as a team. This is a wonderful opportunity for your teen to enhance leadership skills including time management proficiency and communication competence. This is also an opportunity to create wonderful memories and lifelong friendships. I commend your teen for deciding to take the initiative to run for a position!

If you have any questions regarding positions on the Regional Board, please feel free to call me at 212-452-6516 or email me at dsinger@urj.org.

L'shalom,
Dori Singer Zoot
Regional Director
dsinger@urj.org



**2020-2021 NFTY-OV Regional Board
Candidate Declaration Form**

I, _____ do hereby declare my intent to run for the NFTY-OV Regional Board for the year 2020-2021. I certify that I have read the duties and responsibilities of this position, as outlined in the NFTY-OV Constitution, and I understand that I will be expected to perform these duties to the best of my ability.

I further certify that I have read and fully understand the process of election and candidacy in NFTY-OV, and promise to abide by that process. Should I have any questions regarding the election and/or candidacy process, I understand that I am free to contact the Regional President or the NFTY-OV Regional Director.

I certify that I joined one of the mandatory conference calls and have spoken with a Jewish Professional from my congregation, my TYG Advisor, my parent/guardian, and the current Regional Board member who holds the position I am interested in holding. I have discussed my intent with them, and I am including certifications of their support for my candidacy.

I am aware of the expectations placed upon NFTY-OV Regional Board Members and commit to the terms of this declaration and the NFTY-OV Brit Avodah. As a Regional Board member, I understand that I will be held to a higher standard. I understand the integrity associated with a Regional Board title, and I am willing to meet the expectations, if elected or appointed.

Name: _____ TYG (if applicable) _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am running for the following elected position: _____

I discussed this intent with _____ (current Regional Board member).

Signature of Candidate

Date

***President Only Dropdown:** In this election, we will offer a President Only Dropdown. If an individual runs for President and is not elected, they have the option to run for one other position, which must be declared ahead of time. This allows the candidate to run for a position lower in gavel order. The candidate will be allowed to present a two-minute speech for the new position. **Candidates must privately inform the NFTY-OV Regional Director if they plan to drop down through the Candidate Information Form. Do not let anyone besides the Regional Director know of your intention to drop down (this includes Regional Board). It is unfair and could hinder your chances at President.**



**2020-2021 NFTY-OV Regional Board
Brit Avodah**

“It is not the position that honors the person, but rather the person that honors the position” -Taanit 21b

Being elected or appointed to the NFTY-OV Board presents an incredible opportunity. You can exert considerable influence over the lives of hundreds of Reform Jewish teenagers. As a leader of NFTY-OV, you set the example for fellow NFTYites through your involvement as well as your conduct. Not only do you represent the individual teens of our region, but you also represent the local temple youth groups from our Ohio Valley region. It is critical that you understand that each Regional Board Member is responsible not only for their position, but also to build a working, supportive team with fellow officers. We function as a team at all times throughout your term. The following is expected of Regional Board members:

Role Model – Recognize that the members of NFTY-OV look to you to set an example. Be aware of your behavior and attitude at all times, even when you are not actively leading. Lead by example. Never ask someone to do something that you would not do yourself. It is expected that you will uphold the NFTY Brit Kehilah.

Brit Kehilah – We honor our conduct code which includes the NFTY Code of Conduct at all times. It is the expectation of NFTY-OV that the Regional Board will serve as role models for all the members of our region. As a NFTY-OV Board Member, you will be held to a higher standard.

Approachability – Regional Board Members need to be approachable by all members at all times. NFTYites should know how to reach you. At events, it is easy to spend your “free” time with all of your friends. However it is important to remember that you now represent all of NFTY-OV and everyone should have access to you. There are always new people to meet and get to know.

Attendance – You are required to attend every NFTY-OV regional event in its entirety plus New Board Training. You are expected to attend NFTY North American events (Mechina and NFTY Convention) and local TYG events. School will always be your first priority, but you should comprehend the travel requirements involved in the position. Please know that when you apply for a position on NFTY-OV Regional Board, **you are making a commitment to make NFTY-OV your primary extracurricular activity.**

Communication – It is expected that you promptly respond and maintain an open line of communication with teens, adults, congregational professionals, Regional Board, and the Regional Director.

Because of your personal leadership skills and strong commitment to Reform Judaism, you are taking a large step toward becoming a leader of your peers in OV. This wonderful experience comes with a tremendous amount of responsibility. In addition to the above requirements, it is expected that the specific constitutional job requirements pertaining to your position will be maintained throughout your term in office.

I am fully aware of the expectations placed upon NFTY-OV Regional Board members and commit to the terms of this Brit if elected or appointed to the 2020-2021 NFTY-OV Regional Board. I understand that if I cannot fulfill the terms of this Brit, I will have to forfeit my Regional Board position.

Candidate's Signature _____

Date: _____



Summary of Position Descriptions based on NFTY OV's Constitution

All Regional Board members of the NFTY Ohio Valley will be expected to:

- Serve the TYG's of NFTY Ohio Valley by keeping in touch with their counterparts.
- Attend all board meetings either in person or via video conference call.
- Set an example for the members of NFTY Ohio Valley by following the Brit Kehillah at all times.
- Each Regional Board member is to submit to the President in the spring, a summary report. The information from which may be included in the State of the Region Address. The summary report should be similar to the board report that each board member presents at the spring general assembly.

Section 1: President

- Responsible for the work of and to exercise direct supervision over the members of the Executive Board.
- Call to order and presides over all General and Executive Board meetings whenever they are present.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with majority approval of the Executive Board.
- Responsible for calling General and Executive Board meetings whenever and wherever they deem necessary with the approval of the NFTY Ohio Valley Regional Director.
- Establish and maintain the Presidents Network.
- Be the liaison with the Regional Director.
- Keep and maintain a record of past Resolutions and Amendments.
- Oversee the updating and maintenance of the Ohio Valley Constitution and By-laws.
- Deliver a State of the Region Address at the spring regional event.
- Fulfill any other duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.

Section 2: Programming Vice President

- Establish and maintain the programming Vice Presidents Network.
- Communicate with TYG Programming Vice Presidents in the region.
- Serve as a resource person regarding programming, which focuses on the current NFTY Study Theme.
- Maintain and make available a program bank.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfill any other duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.

Section 3: Social Action Vice President

- Establish and maintain the Social Action Vice Presidents network.
- Support the planning of Social Action projects for the region, in keeping with the NFTY Action theme.
- Chairperson of all regional social action projects.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfill any other duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.

Section 4: Religious & Cultural Vice President

- Establish and maintain the Religious and Cultural Vice Presidents Network.
- Maintain and makes available a file of worship services and materials.
- Responsible, either directly or indirectly, for all worship services at events planned by the NFTY – Ohio Valley Executive Board.
- Write or lead at least one educational program at a Regional or Sub-Regional event on the topic of Israel or Jewish Culture during their term.
- When appropriate, open NFTY Ohio Valley General Board meetings with a reading or prayer.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfills any other duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.
- Act as a liaison between the Regional Song Leader and the NFTY Ohio Valley Executive Board.

Section 5: Membership Vice President



- Establish and maintain the Membership Vice Presidents network.
- Coordinate at least two caravans in the region each year, when deemed possible by the Executive Board.
- Promote general spirit in NFTY Ohio Valley.
- Communicate and serves as the Executive Board liaison and resource person for affiliate TYGs in their network.
- Aid in planning position related programs for regional events.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfill any other duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director

Section 6: Communications Vice President

- Establish and maintain the CVP Network and the corresponding TYG positions that encompass similar responsibilities.
- Record the minutes at all General and Executive Board meetings.
- Maintain a NFTY-Ohio Valley slideshow for the year and is in charge of creating or helping in the creation of a slideshow at each regional event.
- Create and distributes a regional newsletter.
- Responsible for keeping the Constitution and By-Laws updated, with the supervision of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfill any duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.

Section 7: Financial Vice President

- Establish, maintain, and serve as a resource to a Financial Vice President (FVP) network and the corresponding TYG positions that encompass similar responsibilities.
- Responsible for all NFTY-Ohio Valley fundraisers, including, but not limited to, merchandise/shuk
- Work with the Regional Director and Executive Board to create a fundraising plan for the year.
- Help grow NFTY-OV's connection to its alumni in coordination with regional staff and the NFTY Alumni Network, with the goal of gaining new donors.
- Plan and execute one fundraiser per event.
- Work closely with the Regional Director to ensure fiscal responsibility per NFTY-OV's budget.
- Oversee the NFTY-OV Financial cabinet committee and any other committees created or deemed important by the Executive Board.
- Appoint chair people and committees when necessary, with the approval of the Regional President and Regional Director.
- Fulfill any duties deemed necessary by the Executive Board and Regional Director.



NFTY-OV Regional Board Expectations

Candidates for NFTY-OV Regional Board and their families:

The following are expectations not specifically outlined in the Constitution that you should be aware of before making your ultimate decision. Remember while being a member of Regional Board is a fun and enriching experience, it is a responsibility that requires complete dedication and full commitment.

Attendance at all Regional Events

- Regional Board members are expected to **attend all regional events in their entirety**. If you cannot be at an event, it is acceptable with a valid excuse and the Regional President and Regional Director must be told as far in advance as possible.

Support for other Regional Board members

- Regional Board members must act as a support system for all other Regional Board members. If one Board member needs help with a program or other project, all Regional Board members should offer support to that board member.
- Every board member is going to have a busy time during the year where they need help (there is nothing wrong with this). Other board members should be there to support them.

Board Communication

- Regional Board members should be available for Board meetings and weekly conference calls throughout the year.
- Regional Board members should be in contact with the rest of the board throughout the year including being a part of an e-mail group and **responding to all necessary e-mails, and any other form of communication, following the 24-hour response policy.**

Provide Ideas

- NFTY-OV Regional Board members should be open-minded and vocal! All ideas are welcomed and expected from all board members to promote growth in the region and the creation of the best programming possible.
- Similarly, board members should be willing to provide input on all programs and services and act as a resource for all board member and non-board members throughout the year.

Maintain Deadlines

- Planning a regional event takes a lot of work, and therefore, **Regional Board members are expected to maintain all deadlines given to them.**
- If a Regional Board member cannot make their deadline **they should not hesitate to ask for help** and all other Regional Board members should be available to help them make that deadline.



2020-2021 NFTY-OV Regional Board Election Guidelines

To raise the bar on leadership potential in our region, our Constitution requires that all candidates for Regional Board submit a Letter of Intent to inform the region of their plans for the upcoming year should they be elected. The following are basic guidelines and procedures for Elections:

Qualification Sheet (a condensed version of your platform) should not exceed one page (front and back). You are encouraged to be creative in designing a colorful, easy to read sheet. It can include basic summary of what you intend to do in the upcoming year, how you intend to do it, and any other relevant information. This should include your name, position you are seeking, personal reasons for running, qualification, and goals. These will be shared online with the entire region after they are received by the NFTY-OV Regional Director and President prior to Elections. [NOTE: your platform serves as a guideline to what you would like to accomplish during your board service. Specific programs and initiatives must ultimately be executed in partnership with NFTY professional staff.] **Deliver 36 copies at Spring Kallah to the Regional President upon arrival. This may only be distributed during speeches by the Regional President. These must be printed double-sided.**

President Only Dropdown: In this election, we will offer a President Only Dropdown. If an individual runs for President and is not elected, they have the option to run for one other position, which must be declared ahead of time. This allows the candidate to run for a position lower in gavel order. The candidate will be allowed to present a two-minute speech for the new drop down position. **Candidates must privately inform the NFTY-OV Regional Director if they plan to drop down. Do not let anyone besides the Regional Director know of your intention to drop down (this includes Regional Board). It is unfair and could hinder your chances at President.**

Speeches Will Occur in Gavel Order (President -> FVP)

- All candidates running for the same position will be asked to wait in a different room during the speeches of other candidates.
- Candidates will be called in one at a time to deliver their speech (in alphabetical order of their last name). The candidates running for President will have no longer than five minutes. All other positions will have no longer than three minutes. The time limit will be enforced, and you will be stopped if your speech exceeds the time limit.
- Once all the speeches have been delivered for a specific position, the candidates will be asked to join the rest of the participants before we move on to the next position (if applicable).
- There will be no applause during and/or after speeches

Candidates Q&A

- TYGs will have the opportunity to learn more about candidates in a Q&A forum where candidates will be asked pre-determined questions from the Regional President. Questions may be suggested by TYGs and then vetted by the Regional President and Regional Director.

Elections

- Elections will proceed in gavel order (President -> FVP).
- All candidates running for the same position will be asked to vote and then leave the room.
- Delegates will be asked to indicate their candidate of choice for the position on an official ballot, fold it, and hand it in to NFTY-OV Regional Board/Adult Staff.
- Ballots will be counted by the current NFTY-OV President and Regional Director.
- Candidates will be informed of the winner in private before the winner is publicly.
- Candidates will be asked to all return to the room so elections can proceed smoothly.

Additional information:



Each of the following guidelines is subject to the discretion of the NFTY-OV Regional Board. We offer these guidelines to provide candidates with clear understanding of what is and is not permissible. If you have a question about any potential “gray area” consult the NFTY-OV President before proceeding.

Things a Candidate Cannot Do (At Risk of Disqualification)

- Distribute material to any NFTYites that discusses the voting procedure in attempt to sway/affect that person’s vote (Material may educate about the candidate’s platform, but may not say, for example, “vote for me,” “I am the best candidate.”)
- Distribute inappropriate material or negative material about any candidates.
- Contact – including by means of telephone – delegates or other NFTYites (including other candidates) to initiate conversation about the election and its process.
- Distribute material outside of the event during which elections are held (i.e., e-mail delegates, post material pertaining to the election on social media, snail mail material, etc.)
- Distribute material that is not paper-based/written.

Campaigning: There is NO campaigning for a NFTY-OV Regional Board position before or during Elections. Campaigning includes any sort of unethical methods of promoting or bribing. Acts of campaigning include, but are not limited to button or flyer, candy or monetary bribes, posting on social media, e-mails or letters announcing candidacy. Breaking these rules could result in disqualification from the Election.

Program: Submit a sample (in PDF format) which may have already been written or co-written. These will be shared online with the entire region after they are received by the NFTY-OV Regional Director and President prior to Elections.

- President: One Program
- PVP: One Program
- SAVP: One Social Action Program
- RCVP: One Service or Torah Study
- MVP: One Program
- CVP: Publicity Plan and one sample of your work (Fliers, Slide Shows, Posters, etc.)
- FVP: Fundraising/Financial Plan and sample fundraiser

Completed Tasks Checklist:

- Complete Candidate Information Form by Friday, **March 6, 2020**
- [Contact current Regional Board member of the position for which you are running](#)
- Submit appropriate forms and signed documents below as instructed

The following items must be sent in one email by **March 13, 2020 to the NFTY-OV Regional Director (dsinger@urj.org). Save each document as a separate PDF (unless otherwise specified) as follows:**

- Qualification Sheet: Position_YourName_QualificationSheet.pdf
- Candidate Declaration and Brit Avodah: Position_YourName_Declaration_Brit.pdf
- Clergy, Advisor, and Parent Certification Forms: Position_YourName_CertificationForms.pdf
- Program: Position_YourName_Program.pdf
- Headshot for website: Position_YourName_Headshot.jpg
- Biography: Position_YourName_Biography.doc

Documents to Bring to Spring Kallah Elections

- Qualification Sheet (36 copies to be delivered to NFTY-OV President upon arrival)
- Speech (with excitement, enthusiasm, and a smile)



Name: _____ Candidate for: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your teen has expressed interest in running for a position on the 2020-2021 NFTY-OV Regional Board. This is a great responsibility, and we request that you carefully read the contents of this packet to understand the responsibilities (both time and financial) that come with being a member of the Regional Board. Once you have read the packet, please talk to your teen, and discuss these responsibilities.

Please feel free to contact us with any with any questions.

Emma Zelkind, President
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Dori Singer Zoot, Regional Director
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I have read "the letter to parents" and understand that being on the NFTY-OV Regional Board is a serious commitment. I recognize that my teen will be expected to participate in local, regional, and national events, board functions, and conference calls. I understand that my teen is making a commitment to make NFTY-OV their primary extracurricular activity. I am supportive of my teen's involvement in the NFTY-OV Regional Board, both financially and emotionally. I am confident that my teen is entering the Regional Election process with complete knowledge of what it means to be a Regional Board member. I will do my best to enable my teen to perform their duties should they be elected. I have read the NFTY-OV Board Election Packet and the NFTY-OV Brit Avodah.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

I certify that I have met with my parent/guardian to discuss my candidacy for the NFTY-OV Board.

Signature of Candidate

Date

  **Ohio Valley**
2020-2021 NFTY-OV Board
Jewish Professional Certification

Name: _____ Candidate for: _____

Dear Jewish Professional,

The above-named candidate intends to run for a NFTY-OV Board position for the 2020-2021 school year. Please take the time to meet with them and discuss their potential as a board member as well as the importance of such a commitment. After you meet with the candidate, please sign the bottom of this form, certifying their candidacy for the position above.

It is the expectation of NFTY-OV that the Regional Board members serve as role models for the members of our organization. They do this through their personal leadership skills, programming ability, strong commitment to Judaism and forward thinking on social issues. This wonderful experience accompanies a tremendous amount of responsibility.

By running for election as one of the seven members of the NFTY-OV Board, the candidate is choosing to make NFTY a priority during the next academic year. Each Board member leads by the example they set for OV peers. It is expected that Board members will uphold the NFTY Brit Kehillah (Code of Conduct) as well as support the enforcement of that Code at all NFTY events in which they participate. Breaking any of these rules may result in the consequences outlined in the NFTY Constitution.

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I certify that I have met with the candidate who is seeking a position on the NFTY-OV 2020-2021 Board. I have spoken to them in detail about this commitment. I certify their candidacy for the above-named position.

We request that the Jewish Professional you meet with writes down a few key points from your discussion together:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Signature of Jewish Professional

Name of Jewish Professional

Date

I certify that I have met with this Jewish Professional to discuss my candidacy for the NFTY-OV Regional Board.

Signature of Candidate

Date



2020-2021 NFTY-OV Board
Temple Youth Group (TYG) Advisor Certification

Name: _____ Candidate for: _____

Dear NFTY-OV TYG Advisor,

The above-named candidate intends to run for a NFTY-OV Board position for the 2020-2021 school year. Please take the time to meet with them and discuss their potential as a board member as well as the importance of such a commitment. After you meet with the candidate, please sign the bottom of this form, certifying her/his candidacy for the position above.

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I am aware that this member of my congregation is seeking a position on the NFTY-OV 2020-2021 Regional Board. I have spoken to her/him in detail about this commitment. I certify that they are a member in good standing of my TYG. I also certify her/his candidacy for the above-named position.

We request that the TYG Advisor write down a few key points from your discussion together:

- 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Signature of TYG Advisor

Name of Advisor

Date

I certify that I have met with my TYG Advisor to discuss my candidacy for the NFTY-OV Regional Board.

Signature of Candidate

Date



2020-2021/5780 NFTY-OV Calendar of Events and Regional Board Contact Information

Attendance at all Regional Events is required for Regional Board. The final schedule will be made public upon approval from NFTY in the spring semester of 2020.

- New Board Training: May 15-17 OR May 29-31, 2020 (save BOTH dates NOW and we will pick one after the full board is elected!)**
- Mid-Year Board Retreat: date TBA
- All NFTY OV Events
 - Stay tuned! We are in the process of finalizing next year's program dates.
 - If you would like to discuss potential conflicting dates, please feel free to contact Dori Singer Zoot

Attendance at the following events is expected for Regional Board:

- Mechina, North American Executive Conference
 - June 4-7, 2020 • URJ Camp Newman, Vallejo, CA
- NFTY Convention
 - February 12-15, 2021 • URJ Greene Family Camp, Bruceville, TX

***Note:** Family obligations or issues of equivalent importance are valid excuses for not attending an event. Please contact the Regional Director to discuss your concern in more detail.

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