

Moriah Chedekel Position Poster

President~5777-5778

Why are you running for regional board?

I am running for Regional Board because of the immense love and devotion I have for this community. NFTY CWR has

given me a passionate voice, lifelong friends, and unforgettable memories. I feel that it is my responsibility to: ~Support this community full of unwavering dedication and adherence for Judaism, social action, leadership, and one another

~Influence and inspire the members of our community to embrace themselves whether that be as a leader, participant, or friend

~Share my knowledge and experience in order to help our community thrive

~Elevate each and every person to their highest potential by ensuring them a personally meaningful and diverse experience

How do you plan to effectively act as a link both between the adult leadership and the youth and between the TYGs and NFTY?

Adults and youth: It is central that as President I am not only in consistent communication and have a complete understanding with the members of our region but additionally, with the adult leadership. The adult leadership consists of influential directors and advisors. It is my responsibility to ensure that the voices of our youth are communicated to the adult leadership. The hub that exists between the URJ is stable and necessary. In order to keep this sturdy relationship, I will persistently collaborate with the adult leaders.

TYG's and NFTY: Throughout my time as a TYG board member and a Regional Board member I have become aware of the separation that exists between some TYG members and NFTY members. Although many people are greatly involved in both, there are also some people that only participate in one. In my eyes, this distinction is quite odd as they are meant to coincide. When talking to a younger member who is involved in both, I was able to gain insight on the topic and ultimately develop solutions. In order to create a community where TYG's and NFTY thrive and stand within each other, I believe:

~There needs to be consistent communication between TYG board members and Regional Board members.

~It is my responsibility to update TYG presidents consistently. In doing so, they will be able to easily communicate back to their TYG's regarding current NFTY events.

~In order to encourage TYG members to get involved in NFTY on a regional and North American level, I will set up representatives from each TYG to be in charge of outreach within their temple. Similar to a TYG MVP but instead, they serve as a bridge between their TYG and NFTY.

What sort of background and experience do you have that will allow you to guide, supervise, and act as a resource of knowledge to your board?

Leadership is not solely the act of taking control. It is essential that I lead with the intention of supporting and empowering others. In order to do so it is crucial that I have the knowledge and ability to provide my board with the necessary support. Various leadership positions have allowed me to gain these crucial skills but most impactfully, my experience on Regional Board this past year has allowed me to not only grow as a leader but furthermore, gain valuable knowledge about each board position and how the board runs in general. I have had the opportunity to dream big and learn from my past failures and successes.

How do you plan to strengthen this diverse community?

I believe the most crucial part of developing as a community is embracing our differences. Each and every member is unique and deserves to be valued for their strengths and passions. We are built of a community of strong, courageous, and powerful, leaders, participants, and friends. With the help of each other we cannot only create a more loving and accepting community but in addition, we are creating a kehillah kedoshah. A holy community where each strength and perspective is heightened and seen.

In order to do so I propose we:

~Encourage people to find their passions and niches through programming. This may mean alternative programming to allow people a choice or experimental programming that allows them to discover their passion.

~Establish specialized cabinet positions. Currently, the cabinets for each Regional Board position are widely successful and greatly essential. To support the concept of embracing difference and individuality, I believe specialized cabinet members will do just that. For RCVP cabinet this may look like one member taking charge of Israel programming while another focuses on ritual programming.