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During Robert's time as the 6th International President of YEO, the organization saw tremendous gain in sponsorship funds.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A US\$100,000 sponsorship from IBM was secured through the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, who notably awarded YEO a US\$155,000 grant.
- YEO also received its first financial grant from the Kauffman Foundation totaling US\$1 million per year for three years, which was later expanded. The Kauffman grant was part of an agreement between YEO and the Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership (CEL) that provided YEO with a series of development programs.
- IBM became YEO's first official corporate sponsor. Doug Mellinger was also involved in sponsorship negotiations with Smith Barney, AT&T and Prudential.
- Chapters were formed in Singapore, the Philippines and Thailand, thus strengthening YEO presence in Asia and around the world.
- Lake Tahoe University was held in February 1995 in Nevada, USA for 275 attendees.
- Chicago University was held from 19-23 July, 1995 in Illinois, USA for 230 members.
- Barbados University was held from 10-14 January, 1996 in the West Indies for 202 attendees. Doug Mellinger was chairperson of the event.
- The Japan Chapter was officially launched in October of 1995.
- An online Forum training guide and YEO homepage were unveiled.
- The first Presidents' Congress was held in Calgary, Alberta, where Robert Kulhawy, Dan Stevens and Joel Cohen collaborated to create the WEO Constitution.
- The WPO-YEO Mentorship Program was announced.