

Minutes
Youth Council Meeting
Date: Tuesday 26 June 2012
Venue: Council Chambers
Time: 4.00pm

ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Present: Mayor Neville Castle (Lithgow City Council), Cr Col Hunter (Lithgow City Council), Mallory Sedger, Brenella Abdel-Rehim, Zac Dray, Jenna Martin, Mel Besley, Patsy Riley, Kasey Fitzgerald, Sharni Banks, and Daniel Whiteman.

Apologies: Heath Zorz

Officers: Viktoria Gulabovski (Community Development Officer).

Declaration of Interests: Nil

ITEM: 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the 29 May 2012 meeting were ratified by email and reported to Council on 25 June 2012.

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Update on promotions for the Short Film Festival.

Viktoria has completed the wording for the poster as well as the competition guidelines.

Zac Dray has volunteered to do the design and artwork for the film festival poster. Zac has experience in design and publisher and expects to finalise the poster in a couple of weeks.

Promotional activity will commence as soon as the poster is finalised. A total of 50-100 copies will be printed for distribution to schools, libraries, shop fronts, notice boards and other promotional hot spots in town.

The competition guidelines will be printed separately from the poster, however the poster will contain a link to the guidelines for entrants information. Viktoria will make this amendment to the poster and forward to Zac for his information.

It is anticipated that the Film Festival will take place at the Union Theatre in late September in conjunction with Union Rock II and DJ dance music. There will be a free BBQ and refreshments on the night and prizes also given out. This will be a Youth Festival that not only raises awareness about underage drinking, but also celebrates the local talents in film and music.

Youth Council is working in partnership with the Community Drug Action team (CDAT) and Lithgow Community Projects to bring this Youth Festival to the Lithgow community.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT The progress update on the poster and promotion of the Short Film Festival be noted.

MOVED: Mel Besley
Carried

SECONDED: Mallory Sedger

ITEM : 4 DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS RAISING PROJECT

SUMMARY

A discussion about Drug and Alcohol awareness raising Film Festival.

COMMENTARY

The Short Film Festival will be promoted broadly throughout our community via print, radio, community television and social media. Where possible, Youth Councillors will promote the film festival at their respective schools and speak during assemblies to promote the film further. Posters will be placed at strategic points throughout the community, including notice boards, shop fronts, libraries, schools and youth agencies such as PCYC, Lithgow Community Projects, the Drug and Alcohol unit of the Community Health Centre and the Lithgow Neighbourhood Centre.

Possible prizes for winners and runners-up could include:

- a \$1000 Gold Class Movie Gift Voucher
- a \$500 movie/film related prize from Bathurst Metro
- a \$250-300 Cam cord (or similar) from Harvey Norman
- plus a Certificate of Recognition/ Win

Mel will speak with Harvey Norman to ascertain process for requesting a donation.

Viktoria will advise front counter staff about film festival so they can expect lodgement of DVD submissions.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT The report on the Drug and Alcohol Awareness Raising Film Festival be noted.

MOVED: Mallory Sedger
Carried

SECONDED: Kasey Fitzgerald

ITEM : 5 YOUTH COUNCIL WEBPAGE

SUMMARY

Viktoria Gulabovski requested Youth Councillors forward relevant information for webpage.

COMMENTARY

Viktoria has yet to receive all Youth Councillor's blurbs on why they joined Youth Council and what changes they wish to see in their community. Once all information is received Viktoria will commence building the webpage, which will promote the work of Youth Council.

Viktoria will send a reminder to Youth Councillors requesting information be forwarded as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

THAT The report on the Youth Council webpage be noted.

MOVED: Zac Dray

SECONDED: Brenella Abdel-Rehim

Carried

ITEM : 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Current work of Youth Council to be promoted via press release/s for community's information.

6.2 Lights at Marjorie Jackson soccer field for evening games requested by Brenella. Viktoria will raise with Leanne Kearney and Chris Schumacher at Council.

6.3 Jenna Martin requested Viktoria seek advice on the next Waste to Art Competition.

Meeting Closed 4.40 pm

Next Meeting
Tuesday 31 July 2012 at 4.00pm in Council
Chambers