



Minutes

Youth Council
15 March 2016
4.00-5.00pm

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5	Youth Council PCYC Scholarship Program
6	Halloween 2015 Review & Overview of Halloween 2016
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MINUTES – YOUTH COUNCIL- 15 MARCH 2016



ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Clr Inzitari, Clr McAndrew, Clr Statham, Benjawan Bansuntiah, Melissa Besley, Rachael Besley and Daniel Whiteman.

APOLOGIES: Jessie Luchetti, Leanne Walding, Juli-Ann Brozek and Matthew Johnson.

OFFICERS: Melanie Jones & Robbie Park.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: NIL

ITEM 2: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The previous meeting held 23 February 2016 did not have a quorum.

ITEM 3: BUSINESS ARISING

NIL

ITEM 4: YOUTH WEEK 2016

The committee discussed planning for Youth Week, which will be held on Saturday 9 April 2016. The event will be a 'Battle of the Bands' and will be held at the Union Theatre from 12.00pm. The committee decided to engage 2 musicians to perform during the event and will contact possible options. The Community Development Officer will book the Lion's Club for catering, and along with the committee members will promote the event widely.

ACTION

THAT The discussion regarding Youth Week 2016 planning be noted.

MOVED: Melissa Besley

SECONDED: Daniel Whiteman

ITEM 5: YOUTH COUNCIL PCYC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Manager of the PCYC Lithgow has informed Council that the students currently engaged in the Youth Council PCYC Scholarship Program are not utilizing their memberships. It was also discussed that the PCYC is presently not engaging young people, but more primary aged children. It was suggested that the scholarship money be more wisely spent elsewhere. One suggestion was a program that Lithgow High School is aiming to get started, which involves up to 60 disengaged young people. The committee would like to investigate the reallocation of the scholarship funding to establish the Youth Program with an alternative provider.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council advertise for expressions of interest for the reallocation of the Youth Council PCYC Scholarship funds and note the Youth Council support the establishment of the Lithgow High School Youth Program 2016.

MOVED: Daniel Whiteman

SECONDED: Rachael Besley

ITEM 6: HALLOWEEN 2015 REVIEW & OVERVIEW OF HALLOWEEN 2016

Council's Events Coordinator made a presentation to the committee Halloween 2015. The presentation covered the many opportunities Halloween provided to the community, particularly young people, including the mentoring program facilitated by Council. The presentation also outlined opportunities for young people in 2016 to be involved in the planning and delivery of the event, including learning and hands on experience based activities.

ACTION

THAT The discussion on Halloween 2015 and 2016 be noted.

MOVED: Melissa Besley

SECONDED: Rachael Besley

ITEM 7: TERMS OF REFERENCE

The committee was provided with a copy of the committee Terms of Reference for discussion and review. The committee did not require any changes.

ACTION

THAT The tabling of the Youth Council Terms of Reference for review be noted.

MOVED: Daniel Whiteman

SECONDED: Melissa Besley

ITEM 8: GENERAL BUSINESS

YOUTH CONFERENCE

National Youth Week is hosting a Youth Forum during April 2016. This is an opportunity for young people to network with a range of policy makers and service providers, and to participate in activities, discussions and workshops that build their knowledge, skills and confidence to meaningfully participate in their communities. The committee was reminded to look into the forum and to apply if suitable.

COUNCIL/HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS

The committee discussed wanting to arrange a meeting later in the year with local health, education and service providers to attempt to establish a co-funded scholarship program for local young people to gain tertiary qualifications in the area of health.

ACTION

THAT the discussion under General Business be noted.

MOVED: Rachael Besley

SECONDED: Daniel Whiteman

ITEM 9: NEXT MEETING:

Next Meeting: Tuesday 26 April 2016 at 4.00pm
Council Chambers

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.20pm