

# SELWYN YOUTH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Selwyn Youth Council**  
held at the **Selwyn District Council Headquarters**  
**2 Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston**  
on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017**  
commencing at **5:54pm**

## Present

Ella McClure, Georgie Watson, Michelle Bruce, Maria Mendoza-Nieto, Olivia Duder, Paige Sullivan, Jason Flewellen and Tyla Harrison-Hunt

## In attendance

Cr Murray Lemon & Cr Craig Watson

## Apologies

Apologies were received from Gabriel Clarke, Katelyn Twiss, Maisie Wood, Harry Mayo, Kusal Ekanayake and Sam Broughton

**Moved** – Olivia / **Seconded** – Maria

‘That the apologies be received and accepted’

**CARRIED**

## Confirmation of the previous minutes

Minutes of the Selwyn Youth Council held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017 taken as read.

**Moved** – Paige / **Seconded** – Michelle

‘That the minutes from the Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017 meeting be confirmed’

**CARRIED**

## Correspondence

### Out

14 June	Bert Knops	‘What do YOUth think?’ at Ellesmere College
27 June	Todd Adams	‘What do YOUth think?’ at Darfield High School
30 June	Sam Broughton	
	Cr Murray Lemon	
	Cr Craig Watson	
	Cr Nicole Reid	
	Board Member M. Hands	Invitation to July meeting and dinner

### In

21 June	Bert Knops	‘What do YOUth think?’ at Ellesmere College
27 June	Todd Adams	‘What do YOUth think?’ at Darfield High School
30 June	Cr Murray Lemon	Invitation to July meeting and dinner
4 June	Cr Craig Watson	Invitation to July meeting and dinner

**Moved** – Maria / **Seconded** – Georgie

‘That the correspondence in and out be received and accepted’

**CARRIED**

### **Financial statements**

Jason went over the financial report from June 2017.  
Attached.

**Moved** – Ella / **Seconded** – Michelle

‘That the financial statement presented is true and accurate’

**CARRIED**

### **Agenda items**

#### **1. ‘What do YOUth think?’ visit to Darfield**

Michelle updated the youth council about the correspondence she has had with Mr. Adams at Darfield High School. He is keen for the event to go ahead and asked about dates. Michelle is to suggest that it takes place on either the 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> of August (both Fridays) during lunchtime from 1:25pm until 2:10pm.

#### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Michelle to contact Mr. Adams with the suggested dates and confirm with Jason once the date is finalised.

#### **2. Selwyn Link Update (visit to Ellesmere College)**

The date of 28<sup>th</sup> July has been confirmed for the youth councils first ever ‘What do YOUth think?’ event to be held at Ellesmere College. The new teardrop flags, youth council banner and poster frame have arrived and were on display. Jason said and he and Tyla would look after the setup and BBQ during the event and that Ella and Katelyn would run the youth engagement with support from other students. Jason went over the proposed questions and the youth council suggested they needed to be simplified and shorten. It was decided that the promotional posters to be produced and placed around Ellesmere College should not include a location, the school is small enough that the event would be found by students.

#### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Ella to organise a number of students to help on the day, Tyla to rework the survey questions and Jason to organise the promotional posters.

#### **3. Youth Project Fund (discretionary fund)**

Jason distributed and ran through the funding policy and guidelines and the applications form. The youth council confirmed that the questions asked in the application form would gather enough information for them to make funding decisions.

#### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Jason will now confirm the funding policy and guidelines within the district council and work to get the Youth Project Fund online. Once that is in place he will talk to the communications department about promoting the fund.

#### **4. Youth Council Budget 2017/2018**

Jason presented a suggested breakdown of the youth councils 2017/2018 operating budget of \$7,000 (\$8050). That included 11 meetings \$1100 (amended), an end of year dinner \$300, a team building / training weekend \$4,000, youth council application promotion \$500, 8 'What do YOUth think?' events \$800 and miscellaneous items \$300. He explained that this is just a starting point and that the amounts and usage can change throughout the financial year.

##### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Youth council members will monitor the budget and make changes as needed throughout the year.

#### **5. SDC website update**

Jason thanked everyone for completing their profiles. Michelle was unaware that member profiles had been requested, Jason apologized for leaving her of the initial email due to the fact that she was away in France. The only headshot outstanding was Georgie's which was taken on the night.

##### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Jason to contact Michelle about what is required. Once he has Michelle's profile Jason will complete the website update.

#### **6. Ashburton Youth Council**

Tyla talked about a meeting that he and Jason had with John Hobbs from the Ashburton District Council. John works with the Ashburton Youth Council who are currently going through similar changes away from running events to better representing the youth in their district. At the meeting they talked about the two youth councils working together in the future and that a combined training / social event will be organised before the end of the year.

##### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

Tyla and John are to stay in contact and look for any opportunities where the two youth councils could work together or support each other. Jason to start planning a joint training event.

#### **7. Roles within the SYC**

As per the agreement at the start of the youth council term, the Secretary and Treasurer rolls will change. Gabriel will take over from Maisie as Secretary and Michelle will take over from Jason (filling in once Harrison resigned and Michelle was away) as Treasurer.

##### **ACTION / OUTCOME**

At the August meeting Maisie will support Gabriel in his new role as Secretary and Jason will support Michelle in her new role as Treasurer. Jason will also update the SDC website with the role changes.

#### **8. Selwyn Youth Council 'signature' event**

Follow on from a discussion that started at an executive meeting, members of the youth council want to investigate having a signature event. Jason explained that the youth council doesn't have anything in their budget for an event so to increase their chances of receiving outside funding the event should include an element of leadership, mentoring or workshops. Ella talked about an event that was held in the past for year 9 and 10 students from around Selwyn. Students were bused to the Lincoln Event Centre during school time to attend and were involved in various workshops and presentations. It was agreed that this should be the general direction for the youth council's signature event and act as a way of promoting the youth council and empowering the youth of Selwyn.

## ACTION / OUTCOME

That the event would be held every second year starting at the end of 2018 and should again be held at the Lincoln Event Centre (if possible) and include busing students in during school time. Youth council members are to start thinking about what the day might include.

### General business

Paige gave an update on the bullying and cyber bullying happening to her at Lincoln High School. She has had meetings with the principal and a youth aid police officer who did not care. Other youth council members advised her to go to the ministry of education.

### Meeting close at 7:18pm

Next meeting Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017 at the Lincoln Event Centre.

### Financial Statement as at 5/7/17

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