

SELWYN YOUTH COUNCIL

Meeting of the **Selwyn Youth Council**
to be held at the **Zoom**
on **13th May 2020**
commencing at **4:10PM**

Present

Chloe Duff, Ethan Richards-White, Jonathan Schwass, Olivia Duder, Nevaeh Maeder, Benjamin Dodson, Isabella Kennedy, Laura Hann, Emma Johnson, Inaki Cepeda, Scarlett Shannon, Jeremy Reed, CR Sophie McInnes and Shay Robinson.

Apologies

CR Shane Epiha and Erana Riddell

Confirmation of apologies

Moved Ethan / **Seconded** Chloe

CARRIED

Identification of any urgent general business

Confirmation of previous minutes

Moved Jono / **Seconded** Nevaeh

‘That the minutes from the Date be confirmed’

CARRIED

Matters Arising

Correspondence

Financial Statement

Moved Emma / **Seconded** Inaki

Agenda items

1. Catch Up

Members spoke about how Level 3 lockdown has been and how Level 2 will be at school.

2. Exec Team Announced

Shay welcomed and announced members of the executive team for 2020.

Chair – Olivia Duder

Deputy Chair – Chloe Duff

Secretary – Jeremy Reed

Treasurer – Jono Schwass

3. Update on Project Team #1

BOOST Bubble went really well and the teams reached a large audience. 18 posts on Facebook reached close to 24,000 accounts in total and just over 3,200 users have engaged with the posts. The new Instagram is gaining traction with 18 posts as well and nearly 160 new accounts reached over two weeks with 840 accounts engaging with posts. Young people have been replying to posts which ask them questions; such as what their favourite movies are or what they are looking forward to when things get back to normal. The project team recently created a 'This or That' virtual poster (Selwyn edition) encouraging young people to tell them what they prefer and love about Selwyn. It was great to see young people post it on their stories and share their answers. Scarlet has also been sharing content on her digital parent noticeboard at Waitaha School with the aim of engaging with young people who have disabilities and whom might not have social media. She hopes to help parents who might be struggling with ideas and has so far spoken at her school assembly, as well as sharing information and activities available on the Selwyn library website.

4. Consultation with Mayor and the Annual Plan Submission

Mayor Sam spoke to the youth council about his work completing consultations in the community about the impact of COVID-19. Liv and Chloe both met with Sam to discuss the effect of the pandemic from a youth perspective. Sam also discussed the Annual Plan and encouraged the youth council to make a submission on the projects and proposals.

ACTION / OUTCOME

- Chloe to send out a Google doc for youth councillors to comment on in relation to the Annual Plan and this will be put an online submission
- Chloe, Liv and Erana to lead this project and to present to Council in June.

5. Opinion Piece

Ben wrote an article about life during the pandemic as an essential worker as well as a recent graduate. This was published online and in Council call. There has been great feedback and Cr Sophie McInnes mentioned that it was a very interesting read from a fresh perspective of a young person working through COVID-19.

6. Funding Application

Selwyn Youth Council unanimously voted to accept the funding application for the Selwyn Young Leaders Day. Shay let members know that a payment of \$520 would be granted to Ngā Mātāpuna O Ngā Pākihi Kāhui Ako from the Selwyn Youth Project Fund.

7. Initiatives/Projects in your community

Members spoke about some of the cool things happening in their community. There was a story about the photographs of bubbles that was on the news called The Front Door Project to keep an eye out for!

8. Project Team 2

As the July school holidays are two months away, the second project team needs to be established to deliver an event or initiative.

ACTION / OUTCOME

Laura, Scarlet and Ben put their hands up to form the second project team. CR Sophie suggested helping out with the kite day being planned. Members also suggested some ideas including online workshops, the Breakout Room.

Meeting closed at 4:59PM