

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Youth Council Meeting **17 March 2010**

Present:

Elesha Edmonds
Jack Marshall
Katja Heesterman
Duncan Armstrong
Zoe Doole
Katelin Bull
Essen Vicente
Tapiwa Bururu

Georgina Rohades
Waylon Edwards

Observers:

- Helen Yu, Paul Meuli and Emily Murphy

Apologies:

- Ruth Corkill, Nigel Smith

Welcome:

- Elesha welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

- The Minutes were not passed.

Youthline Session:

- Lucy and Katie from Youthline explained that they have been approached by Capital PHO to conduct a youth survey about why the GPs, nurses and health practitioner's services are not appealing to young people and why youth do not want to attend their services. They want Youth Council members to be part of the survey with all answers to questions being confidential. These answers will be put into a wider plan and noted that Capital PHO does acknowledge the services

provided by Evolve and these questions are not related to youth specific services.

- Youth Council then broke up into two groups for a brainstorming session.
- A query was raised about what would happen with the information collected. Youthline will write up their research and give specific suggestions to GP practices on what they can do to meet the needs of young people. They will also create action points for GPs. They will send a copy of the report to Youth Council.

General Business:

- **Youth in Local Government Hui** – there are three spaces available. Members need to register by Friday – please let Georgie know if you wish to attend. Zoe will be attending.
- **Almost Amazing Race** – Youth Council members were encouraged to put posters on school noticeboards. It was noted that volunteers will be needed on the day. Registrations for this close on 9 April.
- **Election for Chair & Deputy** – Elections for Chair and Deputy will take place at the next meeting and members were encouraged to think about whether they would like to be nominated and the reasons for why they would like to be the Chair or Deputy. The commitment for the Chair and Deputy includes setting the agenda, meeting half an hour before meetings to go through the agenda, facilitating meetings and building a relationship with the Youth Advisor and Youth Council. There will be a paper ballot at the next meeting to decide these positions.
- **Invite to On the Edge Event** – Youth Council members have been invited to Parliament for the launch of the “I Can” website on 23 March at 4.30pm. We need to RSVP by 16 March. Emily, Jack, Elesha, Paul and Tapiwa said they were interested in attending – group needs to meet at Council at 4.00pm.
- **MYD Funding** – The application for this fund has been sent to MYD. The application looked at having a weekend training session, possibly staying at a Marae and launching a long term project for a youth network. It would also be good to link this with the DHB to get them involved. Youth Council will find out about this funding on 25 March.
- **Youth Council Networking** – Essen has been in touch with youth council members from the Hutt Valley. They are keen to send one of their members over to talk to the WCC Youth Council. Essen will pass over their details to Georgie and arrange for them to attend a meeting in April. Essen will also get in touch with the Porirua Youth Council.

- **Relay for Life** – This is happening in a couple of weeks. Members were encouraged to look out for people to sponsor and to come along and support participants. The event starts at 3.40pm, candle light event at 8.00pm and finishes at 9.00am on Sunday morning.
- **Slum City** – Council are currently looking at their budget to see if we can support this event again this year. Organisers are looking at holding this event sometime around 18 May. Elesha and Katja said that they were interested in being involved in this event.
- **Our Wellington Page** – It was noted that Youth Council can be profiled on this page. This is a good way to raise the public profile of Youth Council.
- **Youth Council Logo** – Communication & Marketing will be coming to a Youth Council meeting to talk about what Youth Council members want for a logo and Publication and Design can design this. Youth Council members agreed that it is a good idea to look into this.

Next Meeting: 31 March 2010