

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Youth Council Meeting 3 June 2009

Present

Jack Marshall
Rebecca Bullen
Nigel Smith
Tapiwa Bururu
Katja Heesterman
Intisar Muketar
Ben Ogilvie
Duncan Armstrong
Nurul Sultan
Elesha Edmonds
Katelin Bull

Georgina Rhoades
Waylon Edwards
Heidi Mills (MYD)

Apologies

Dipti; Annelise; Zoe, Stevenson

Absent

Essen, Hayley Wain

Welcome:

- Elesha welcomed everyone to the meeting. Minutes moved by Intisar, seconded by Nurul

Engage feedback:

- Georgie explained that she and Waylon are compiling a formal report for Engage. Some youth councillors had volunteered to contribute to this. The oral submission will be included in this report.
- Katja and Nurul provided feedback on the oral submission they delivered with James. Georgie and Waylon expressed how proud they were of their efforts

MYD:

- Heidi Mills introduced herself and the Ministry of Youth Developments role
- Heidi talked about Café provoke and enrolling individual youth councillors. Also advised that youth council is a member. Most youth councillors present enrolled that day.

- Played two games. Game one involved Plastic balls. The idea of the game was to illustrate how young people should feed into government policy and decision making. Also how quickly the opinions and issues in government change rapidly. The second game was another type of icebreaker.
- October is the next regional youth council hui. This is hosted by Lower Hutt
- Wellington is hosting the March/April 2010 regional youth council hui

Stage Challenge:

- Stage challenge is looking for volunteers. A form was made available for any interested to complete. Those interested were Tapiwa, Ben, Elesha, Nigel, Jack, Intisar, and Nural.

Recruitment

- Georgie advised of the four resignations and the recruitment process we are taking to fill these. That means there are four places available. We have had five applications so far. Advised that some youth councillors may be involved in the selection process.

Volunteer Awareness week:

- 14 -20 June recognises and encourages young volunteers in the community

Couch campaign

- As an action point from previous meeting Waylon wants to get together with volunteered youth councillors to discuss further and scope out a project plan. Volunteers were – Jack, Ben, Nigel, Intisar, Nural, Intisar.

Planning

- Discussed the importance of a forward plan, and encouraged youth councillors to feed their ideas into a forward plan.
- Some ideas are:
 - Forum 6 monthly – regional
 - City in 10 years (how to get a young person view?)
 - Submission process (making this more young person friendly)

Next Meeting: 17 June 2009