

Record of Meeting: Youth Council

Venue Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington
When 4.00 pm -5.30 pm, 20 March 2013

Present

Members: Amanda Yong, Bing-Ying Lou, Daisy Lutyens, Devon Robinson, Erin Lockhart, Jack Marshall, Maddie Bell, Morgan Watkins, Oliver Michie, Petelo Leaupepe, Rawinia Thompson, Sean Johnson and Teariki Goodwin-Nonu, Ben Ogilvie.
Officers: Simon Wright, Rekha Jatav
Guests: **Treaty Relations team, WCC:** Nicky Karu and Billie Tait-Jones.
Communications & Marketing team, WCC: Bridget Parrott and Mike.
Consultation & Engagement team, WCC: Sandra Crews and Janette Wallace-Gedge.

Minutes

1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Lily Simmons-Donaldson, Stevenson Pule, Duncan Armstrong, Zoe Doole, Councillor Marsh and Devon Robinson for leaving early.

3. Treaty of Waitangi – WCC’s Treaty obligations

Jack introduced Nicky Karu, Manager of Treaty Relations team. Nicky welcomed new Youth Council members and acknowledged new Maori members. She gave a presentation on WCC’s Treaty obligations and provided copies of WCC’s Guide to Maori Protocol. After presentation, Billie asked everyone to sing a Waiata together. Jack thanked Nicky and Billie.

4. Induction 2: What WCC does? Game approx. 45 min

YC members played the ‘What the Council does’ game. Two members from Consultation and Engagement team joined YC members in this game. It was noted that WCC provides a lot of services. At the end of the meeting, Simon awarded chocolate fish to the team who identified the most WCC services. Members felt that games was interesting and provided a good understanding of what Council does.

5. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared. Jack asked new members to give their Conflict of Interest forms and other tax-related forms to Rekha at the end of meeting.

6. Previous minutes and matters arising

Oliver moved the minutes as true and correct subject to minor corrections. Rawinia seconded the motion and it was passed.

7. Portfolios/Forward Programme

This agenda item was deferred.

8. General Business

Alcohol Workshops –most YC to register

Jack reminded members about alcohol workshop on Saturday, 23 March and asked members to register, attend and recruit people in their networks.

YC position for public transport forum in Lower Hutt – Ben, Petelo

Ben and Petelo had previously met to discuss what they would present at a public transport forum in Lower Hutt on 21 March. Ben informed members that he and Petelo would be presenting Youth Council's position on public transport as set out in previous submissions. These submissions are archived in the Youth Council's Dropbox. Petelo provided members with meetings venue details and encouraged them to attend.

Next meetings – discussing main general business for future meetings

There was a discussion about what would be discussed at the next two YC meetings on 3 April and 17 April. The Induction Working Group will lead sessions to develop a YC Manual which would include meeting procedures, how to chair a meeting, guidance on decision-making processes, the YC Terms of Reference (ToR), how to make submissions within specified time frames, the use of working groups, guidelines for engaging with youth and an annual calendar of important activities. Members were reminded that all members can put items on the agenda by contacting Simon in advance of a meeting.

Assigning portfolios Part 1 – reviewing WCC portfolios & strategies

Members will give their first three preferences for portfolios at the next meeting after working through the Forward Programme together and identify WCC decision processes YC wants to focus on.

Morgan suggested that YC might look at the District Plan as a possible project. Other suggestions included getting more water fountains in city, more work around community engagement, and finding out if there is really a lack of activities for youth aged 10-18 years old.

9. Closing

The meeting formally closed at 5.36pm. The next meeting is at 4.00pm, 3 April 2013 in Committee Room 2.