



MINUTES

**Youth Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, 12 May 2022**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD VIA TEAMS
ON THURSDAY, 12 MAY 2022 AT 5.30PM - 7.30 PM**

PRESENT: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris, Member Anais Henry-Martin, Member Jemima Fernandes, Member Ruizhe Zhao, Member Kelvin Sidhu

OFFICERS: Teresa Helm, Ashleigh Pointon

APOLOGY: Member Jules Gabor, Member Manoj Rajkumar, Member Emily Ford, Councillor Want De Rowe

GUESTS: Emmy Harris, Maddy Schipper

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

Meeting Chaired by Jemima Fernandes

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:34 pm.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

3 APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

Nil

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 Declaration of Interest by Members

5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC013/22

Moved: Member Jemima Fernandes

Seconded: Member Anais Henry-Martin

That the minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee Meeting held on 10 March 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 CONSULTATION WITH RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC014/22

Moved: Member Kelvin Sidhu

Seconded: Member Anaïs Henry-Martin

That the report titled Consultation with Relationships Australia be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Discussion

- Therapists from Relationships Australia met with YAC to explain services for young people, in particular the National Redress Scheme.
- The National Redress Scheme (NRS) acknowledges sexual abuse experienced by children and young people in Australian institutions. NRS outcome acknowledges harm in three ways
 - payment, free support and counselling, and an apology from the institution. The two funded support services for the Redress Scheme in Australia are Relationships Australia and Danilla Dilba. The service is completely free and any payment an individual receives is entirely theirs.
- YAC provided feedback on better ways of sharing information on the scheme and other Relationship Australia services with young people.

9.2 NOTIFICATION FOR ENDORSEMENT OF NEW MEMBERS**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC015/22**

Moved: Member Jemima Fernandes

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

That the report Notification for Endorsement of New Members be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Discussion

- Members congratulated Jules and Kelvin on endorsement as committee members, to serve a two year term.

9.3 YAC ILLUSTRATION

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC016/22

Moved: Member Jemima Fernandes

Seconded: Member Anaïs Henry-Martin

That the report YAC Illustration be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Discussion

- The Youth Programs Team engaged a local young illustrator to design an image to be used for YAC promotional materials. The initial version has been presented to YAC for feedback to the illustrator.
- YAC commented that they would like to see the illustration be more “Darwin-like” with use of local flora and brighter colours in the background, and changing some of the clothing, ie patterns on the dress, footwear, shorts, more casual attire. They also suggested including activity elements like someone with a laksa, or a young person with a skateboard to try to encourage participation from different demographics of young people.

Action :

Youth Engagement Officer (YEO) to present amended version to YAC for approval before use.

9.4 QUIZ FOR DILI - EVENT PLANNING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC017/22

Moved: Member Anaïs Henry-Martin

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

That the report Quiz for Dili Event Planning be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Discussion

- Quiz for Dilli is an annual event run by the YAC which supports the youth-led non profit organisation Action for Change Foundation (ACF), in Council's sister city, Dili, Timor Leste. This year's event will be Thursday 25 August, at the Darwin Trailer Boat Club.
- YAC supports the event by collecting donations from business to use as prizes, selling raffle tickets at the event, and assisting in hosting the night.
- Members suggested new opportunities for promotion including asking well known Quiz Masters to promote at their events, and see whether ACF can put together a promotional video.
- Council matches funds raised by YAC for up to \$2000/annum.

10 MEMBER REPORTS

10.1 YOUTH WEEK EVENTS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION YAC018/22

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Member Anais Henry-Martin

That the report Youth Week Events be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Discussion

- City of Darwin's Youth Programs Team hosted a number of events during Youth Week. It was suggested that YAC members attend to represent the Committee and gather information to support program planning by means of surveys. Members shared their positive experiences on City of Darwin's Youth Week events, as well as the Youth Conference which received funding through the Quick Response Youth Engagement Grants. YAC noted interest in racing a team at Couch Surfing 2023.
- City of Darwin Youth Week Events:
 - Jingili Skate Park Mural Mentorship
 - Gaming After Dark at Casuarina Library
 - Street Heat at Jingili Skate Park
 - LUX Art Projections at Casuarina
 - Geek Up at Casuarina Library
 - Free-ze Skate at Darwin Ice Skating
 - Skate Night at Jingili Skate Park
 - Couch Surfing in Civic Park - partnership with Anglicare NT
 - Spider-Man: No Way Home at Deckchair Cinema

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 Reconciliation Week – Councillor Klonaris

YAC are encouraged to attend Reconciliation Week events: 27 May – 3 June

11.2 MyTerritory Connection Survey – Councillor Klonaris

CDU is collecting information and demographics from young people in Darwin and have reached out to Councillor Klonaris for the MyTerritory Connection Survey. Councillor Klonaris to forward information to YEO to distribute to YAC members.

11.3 Chess in Darwin – Councillor Klonaris

Councillor Klonaris to forward information to YEO to distribute to YAC members.

12 NEXT MEETING

11 August 2022 – location TBC

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:24pm.