

Minutes

Thursday 9 April 2020
5.30pm – 7.30pm
Webex (remote meeting)

1. MEETING OPENED

The meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee was opened at 5:38pm by Chair Teresa Helm.

This meeting was held remotely using Webex.

2. PRESENT

Alderman Andrew Arthur	Elected Member
Alderman George Lambrinidis	Elected Member (Alternate)
Jane Alia	YAC Member
Zakelli Xie	YAC Member
Emily Ford	YAC Member
David Ninan	YAC Member
Martin Feng	YAC Member

Officers	
Teresa Helm	Youth Engagement Officer

Guests	
Anneke Putri	Recruitment Consultancy
Anais Henry-Martin	Observer
Nickolas Dakis	Observer

APOLOGIES

Samantha Price	YAC Member
Emmanuel Khemis	YAC Member
Tanisha Cubillo	YAC Member

WELCOME OBSERVERS AND GUESTS

Welcome guests and Anneke Putri, Anais Henry-Martin and Nickolas Dakis.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the 19 March meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record by the following members: Jane Alia (moved) David Ninan (seconded)

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 NIL

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Endorsement of new members

New members Anais Henry-Martin

Membership endorsed by the following members:

Emily Ford (Moved), Alderman Lambrinidis (Seconded)

ACTION	YEO to submit report to Council for endorsing new members.
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5.2 Quiz4Dili

Committee discussed other opportunities to host an online event, should they not be able to host a live quiz. Members suggested platforms such as Mentimeter and Kahootz could work for hosting a quiz online. Concerns noted around appropriateness of asking small businesses for sponsorship during an economic crisis. Quiz4Dili currently postponed until further notice.

ACTION	YAC members to enquire with 2019 sponsors regarding 2020 prize donations YEO will check in with Darwin Trailer Boat Club around their expected closure timeframe and will provide update at next meeting YEO to include Quiz4Dili update on May agenda
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5.3 YAC campaign presentation and update

Anneke Putri presented the first templates for the YAC Instagram page, and timeline of projected social media posts and themes, including profiling of members, and casual memes, such as Quarantine Bingo or Darwin Bingo. Members were able to provide feedback on these ideas, and present Anneke with suggestions to add to the campaign. Anneke would like to gather more information around current issues young people face, or concerns of young people in Darwin to add to the campaign as a conversation starter. Members suggested connecting with NT Youth Roundtable for information.

ACTION	YEO to share YAC member contact details with Anneke to develop profiles for YAC Instagram YAC members to provide photos for profiles
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5.3 Member Experiences of COVID-19 Restrictions

YEO asked members to share their experiences and changes to their lives during the COVID-19 restrictions. Members shared their coping strategies, ways they were struggling, changes to routines, and challenges they were anticipating were still to come over the next few months. The committee discussed the importance of documenting this monumental event in our lives, not only as a shared experience and way to connect, but for future and historical references. Strategies included exercise, wellness in general, reading, creative writing and journaling, cooking, and developing new skills. Some important area of concerns were around supporting friends and family, both financially and emotionally, social isolation felt by one member due to working in healthcare, disruption to study moving to online and remote formats, financial difficulties and economic downturn and reinstating some routine and formalities to daily life. YEO noted potential for the topic to be included in YAC recruitment campaign providing a point of connection with other young people experiencing similar challenges.

6. Any other business

Alderman Lambrinidis and Alderman Arthur provided information regarding Council's Green Army and stimulus plan. Members emphasised the financial difficulties for young people who are not eligible for the same support, due to their casual and short term employment status. Members had questions around what Council can do for young people in this situation including eligibility for Green Army positions. Discussion moved to supporting the community and stimulating the economy as businesses reopen.

ACTION	YEO to include the following on May agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potential Quiz4Darwin 2020, in lieu of Quiz4Dili• Update on Green Army and economic stimulus packages including young people's access to support• Opportunities to connect with Sister Cities Committees
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7. Meeting Closed

7.38pm

Next YAC meeting scheduled:

Thursday May 14, 2020

5.30pm – 7.30pm

Webex

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