

# YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



**MEETING OF THE JOONDALUP NORTH YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 1 (JOONDALUP CIVIC CHAMBERS) ON MONDAY 20 AUGUST 2001.**

*City of  
Joondalup*

## **ATTENDANCES**

Viet Nguyen	Chairperson	Jeremy Manning	Youth Project Officer
Suzanne Akila	Deputy Chairperson		
Jennifer Dedman			
Matthew Wright			
Annie Rosser			
Kate Sinagra			
Annique Lynch			
Luke Crosby			
Alice Ostrowski			
John Saratsis			
Jasmine Singh			

## **APOLOGIES**

Christal Goemans  
Anna Kim  
Jennifer Dedman

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 5.10pm.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Joondalup North Youth Advisory Council meeting held on 16 July 2001 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

## **MATTER ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **1) Strategic Advisory Committee - Youth Affairs**

Viet Nguyen and Suzanne Akila attended the recent meeting of the Strategic Advisory Committee - Youth Affairs as representatives of the Joondalup North Youth Advisory Council.

Viet Nguyen reported that three reports were referred to the Youth Advisory Council for its feedback and gave a brief summary of the three reports.

Members agreed that a workshop should be organized to provide members with further information on the Jumping at Shadows and Future Directions for Youth Services reports.

Members reported that they did not have all of the necessary information to give appropriate feedback on the reports and that a workshop would provide an opportunity for further information to be provided.

### ***ACTION***

***Jeremy Manning to organize a workshop session to discuss the Future Directions for Youth Services and Jumping at Shadows reports. Members to be notified by mail.***

Members of the Youth Advisory Council agreed that they had been given enough information to give feedback regarding the Student Scholarships Scheme and Student Citizenship Awards. Discussion followed on this report.

Members suggested that an award scheme based on Option 4 for the Scholarships report should have two award levels. These levels would be Excellence and Recognition.

Kate Sinagra suggested that the use of words such as Encouragement should be avoided if possible as these may lead to the award being viewed as a “consolation prize”.

Members discussed some possible award categories and these are listed below:

- Young Businessperson
- Young Sportsperson
- Young Artist
- Young Volunteer
- Young Academic – High school
- Young Academic – University/ TAFE

An overarching award could be presented to the most outstanding nomination received. This could be called the “City of Joondalup Young Citizen of the Year”

Alice Ostrowski voiced her concern regarding whether students from financially disadvantaged backgrounds would have an equal chance of competing and wondered whether that could be considered as criteria in the selection of winners.

### ***ACTION***

***Feedback from members on Student Scholarships and Student Citizenship Awards report to be noted and incorporated with other feedback.***

### **Hodges Drive – Safety Concerns**

Viet Nguyen updated members regarding concerns for the safety of large numbers of young people who cross the intersection of Constellation and Hodges Drive in the afternoon. Referring to the actions recorded in the last meeting, Viet Nguyen had written a draft letter addressed to the two principals of the nearby schools expressing members' concerns.

Jeremy Manning indicated that the letters drafted by Viet Nguyen had been printed on official letterhead and posted to the School Principals involved.

Members are currently awaiting a reply from the Principals.

### ***ACTION***

***Await reply from Principals***

### **Sports Program**

Suzanne Akila reported on the progress of this program. She distributed the project brief to members and reported that she had drafted a letter for business in the area to raise support for the project. Members discussed the most appropriate time to conduct a program of this kind and decided to conduct the program in summer 2002.

Discussion occurred on some possible funding options and it was decided that a meeting should be organized to progress the project further.

Members decided to meet at 4pm on Friday 24 of August to discuss the program further.

### ***ACTION***

***Interested members to attend meeting at the Administration Centre on Friday 24 August at 4pm.***

### **Youth Survey Report**

Luke Crosby gave a brief report on his efforts to conduct surveys during the Local Government Week display at Lakeside Shopping Centre. The purpose of the survey is to advise the City's

Skatepark Committee on both the need and preferred locations for skate parks in the Central Business District of Joondalup.

Jeremy Manning thanked members who volunteered their time to conduct the Skate Park survey at Lakeside Shopping Centre on Saturday 11 August. He reported that 74 surveys have been received and a winner of the competition had been selected. He undertook to provide the results of the survey to members when available.

Matthew Wright wanted to bring to the attention of the members the difficulty of BMX riders acquiring safe and legal sites on which to ride.

Matt has agreed to pursue this issue further and will present the issue to next month's meeting.

### ***ACTION***

***Matthew Wright to research the issue of BMX tracks further and present the issue at the next meeting of the Youth Advisory Council.***

### **Youth Survey**

The final copy of the 2000/2001 Youth Survey results was distributed and members agreed to read the survey and identify any needs and concerns expressed by the young people in the City of Joondalup at the next meeting.

Jeremy Manning suggested that the document should provide a valuable document on which to base the strategic planning session that will be conducted in the near future. He advised that the youth survey will be attached to the minutes and presented to councillors with this set of minutes.

### ***ACTION***

***Members to read the youth survey results in preparation for discussion at next meeting and incorporation in a future strategic planning session.***

### **Youth Advisory Council Duties**

Members returned their nomination forms for duties on the Youth Advisory Council.

The Youth Advisory Council coordinator and Chairperson will meet to allocate these positions to members based on the preferences submitted.

### ***ACTION***

***Chairperson and Coordinator to meet to allocate positions to members. Members to be notified by mail.***

### **Roadsafety project**

Soundtrack for the video production is being finalised with music from local bands Hollowpoint and Four Feet Away being used. Jeremy Manning reminded members that some supplementary voice-overs need to be arranged with the video editor. Following this, the final version should be available in the near future.

### ***ACTION***

***Members to await completion of the video.***

## **STANDING ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

### **Correspondence**

Three pieces of correspondence have been received and are listed below

- The Fogarty Foundation – training to conduct alcohol and drug free events for young people.
- Nominations for Young Australian of the Year Awards.
- Nominations for Youth Roundtable.

This correspondence was circulated to members for their information.

### **Media Opportunities**

Viet Nguyen explained the reason for this standing item of business. The purpose is to explore opportunities to build a community profile of the Youth Advisory Council and its role.

Viet Nguyen suggested that a media release regarding the new YAC members be included in the Council newspaper. It was suggested that this could be in conjunction with a presentation of name badges to new members.

### ***ACTION***

- 1. Jeremy Manning to order name badges for new members.***
- 2. Jeremy Manning to organize a presentation and accompanying media release when badges have been ordered.***

### **Youth Rally Report:**

Jeremy Manning reported that the Youth Rally Team had been successful in receiving a grant of \$4,000 through the Roadsmart funding program to conduct promotional activities in the lead-up to Rally Australia. The team is also preparing to compete in the Stirling Stages Rally on Saturday 25 August 2001.

Members suggested that a member of the Rally Team could be invited to attend a meeting to inform members of the Rally program and its activities.

## ***ACTION***

***Rally team member to be invited to the next meeting to report to members.***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Extreme Youth Festival**

Jeremy Manning reported that several locations were currently being considered as alternative venues for this event. These include ECU Joondalup, Craigie Leisure Centre and Market Square at Joondalup.

A proposal to conduct the program at Market Square on November 25, 2001 has been prepared and was awaiting final approval.

Several members expressed interest in being a part of the organizing group and requested that members of the Youth Advisory Councils be kept up to date with any progress on the event and that the Youth Advisory Councils be notified immediately when a committee is formed to organize the event. Jeremy Manning undertook to provide this information.

## ***ACTION***

***Members to be involved in a planning group for Extreme Youth Festival.***

### **National Conference for Youth**

Jeremy Manning reported that a National Conference for Young People was to be conducted at the Sheraton Hotel on September 21-23, 2001. He outlined the purpose and content of the conference and asked for expressions of interest from members to attend the conference.

Jeremy Manning stated that for duty of care reasons, participants were required to be of 18 years and over. He reported that final approval to subsidize registration fees was subsequent to a favourable result from a report that was currently before Council. Members would be informed of the outcome of this report.

Three nominations from members were received and delegates were selected by secret ballot. Following the ballot, results were tallied and Suzanne Akila and Viet Nguyen were elected as representatives of the City of Joondalup to the National Conference for Young People.

## ***ACTION***

***Elected delegates to fill in nomination forms and return to Jeremy Manning.***

## **NEXT MEETING**

Date: September 17, 2001  
Time: 5 PM

Venue: Conference Room 1 – Civic Centre

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 6.47pm.