

NEWCASTLE YOUTH COUNCIL

Meeting minutes for Wednesday 14 May 2019

Chair – Monique Aganovic
Minute Taker – Alex Saxby-Milles

Meeting Opened- 5:07pm

1 Acknowledgement of Country	Monique Aganovic	Actions
3 Minutes of Previous meeting	Moved- Jack Seconded- Kelsey	
4 YMC Review	Feedback was really good à Kelsey has put up reflection document on Facebook	Kelsey send Winney-Baartz a private email to thank her, and Declan and John Nick work out total cost of YMC
5 UN Youth Representative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kareem is keen to come to Newcastle for consultation. - He is coming on 8th and 9th of June (a weekend) - 15-40 people, confirming this week - No space at Newcastle library, would like to book space at NewSpace - Should we diversify audience or just go for highly engaged? - Youth Councillors confirm attendance ASAP, then put out invitation to the public. Put out invitation to people who attended the Youth Forum with Sharon Claydon? We want diversity in age, culture etc. 	Nick- contact UN Youth and ask about process re invites and selection
6 SDG Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Host event at Civic Park? \$250 - We need public liability insurance. Close Laman Street à we would need to pay. Libraries have precedence over Laman Street. - Live music 	Sub-committee meeting for project plan application in 2 weeks Monique contact Luisa

7 Model UN Competition

- Youth Council involvement in MUN competition by attending or providing some services. Helping usher some people around.
- United Nations Society wants us to be involved: YC to see if we could try and help them secure Town Hall. Helping secure/sponsor room in Town Hall.
- United Nations Society is very small, it would be very valuable for us to help
- August 23rd to 24th

Ashley liaise with UNS and figure out logistics and budget

Vote: who wants to assist/sponsor event? Unanimous in favour

Budget of approximately max \$350

8 YMCA Podcast

- Luka is part of Why Not, which raises awareness of the youth voice and publishes articles/media written by youth. They take submissions from any young person and publish it, usually given \$50. Mainly publish written articles, but want to diversify media they use
- Two series: Local Leaders à speak about young people and leadership opportunities
- We need a team that's interested in being involved and appearing as guests.
- Rotating panel of guests and hosts
- Why Not is editing/facilitating it, YC just needs appear as guests
- This is not a Youth Council program, but we will be involved and put it on our social media.

Nick run this idea by Communications

If you are interested in being involved, contact Ashley or Luka

Luka talking to Sharon tomorrow.

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| 9 Newcastle Pride Festival | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex approached by someone who wants YC to be involved in Newcastle Pride Festival. Festival is in August. Alex has not received information from his contact yet, will follow up with his when he gets the information | <p>To be discuss next meeting when Alex has the info.</p> |
| 10 Climate change/heat island adaptation project | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project happening in collaboration with UON and Smart Cities. They'd like to get young people involved - Council contact à Sarah Johnson - Would be labour based e.g. tree planting, looking at how communities are currently impacted by heat stress e.g. Wallsend car parkà how can we change landscape etc. to make it more resilient? - 4-5 sites identified. No set involvement anyone has been committed to, would be general volunteer work e.g. beach cleans, tree planting | <p>Nick will keep us updated</p> |
| 11 Hunter Homeless Connect Day | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wednesday August 7th designed to support homeless people in Newcastle - Laura Hanlon has stall organised for Youth Hub - Open invite for YC to attend - Could YC run a social media drive to get some sanitary items delivered which we could donate? - Those interested: Nikki, Marylyn, Luka, Ashley | |
| 12 Ecosuburbia Event | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - June 22nd - Permaculture is a sustainable design system, community-based sustainability responses in adapting to climate change | <p>Nick post on Facebook with ideas etc.</p> |

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inventor of permaculture is coming to do talk at library. There will be community market involved in a sort of festival - Do YC want to run a stall? Compost stall, food preserving, upcycling, slow food, food boxes. - Doesn't have to be specifically sustainably focused. Could we host a Chill Out stall? Macramé? 	Nick, Monique, and Ash to liaise with chill zone
13 Responding to far-right extremism (training)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Run by CAPE (Community action Preventing Extremism) - Not much information yet, Nick will keep us updated, needs to confirm whether YC can attend 	
14 Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Badges and Shirts need to be order for new members <p>Alternative ways of being involved other than going to meetings?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student Ambassadors 	<p>Nick to get shirts and make badges</p> <p>Ashley email YMC attendees and see if they want to be YC Ambassadors.</p> <p>Nick to confirm with Council whether the Ambassador role is permissible</p> <p>Ashley: put on agenda for next month: Leadership Discussion forums per month. Ashley and Monique to discuss further.</p>
15 General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upcoming guests: Jalam Glossop (youth engagement police officer) and Sally Rust (youth in criminal justice system program, Mission Australia) 	<p>Action: ensure all events are posted on FB page to remind people what is coming up</p> <p>Action: Nick to give feedback to Council about volunteer training organisations</p> <p>Action: written guidelines for how we want to manage internal communications</p>

16 Social Media

- Ashley will message us individually to put up bios on Instagram
 - If anyone has any ideas on what to put on Instagram, just message Ashley

Meeting Closed – 7.00pm

Next meeting – 12th June 2019

Newcastle Regional Library- 5pm