

# WAITAKERE CITY COUNCIL



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WAITAKERE YOUTH COUNCIL HELD AT  
WAITAKERE CENTRAL, 6 HENDERSON VALLEY ROAD, WAITAKERE,  
ON MONDAY, 6 AUGUST 2007, COMMENCING AT 5.31 PM.

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**PRESENT:**

Andrew Wadsworth	Community (Chairman)
Amanda Mitchell	Waitakere College (Deputy Chairman)
Alana Wadsworth	Henderson High School
Amy Pollard	Green Bay High School
Clara McNeil	Community
Darryn Davids	Liston College
Jesse Thomas	Westgate Home School
Katherine Torres	Community
Kit Bushell	Community
Louise Osbourne	Kelston Girls College
Natalie Harrison	St Dominics College
Robert Menzies Jnr	Massey High School

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cr LA Cooper Council (until 6.33 pm)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Pubic Affairs Manager  
Administration Team Manager  
Committee Secretary: D Tukutama

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Sen Thong	Ministry of Youth Development
Dr Debra Widdowson	University of Auckland
Trisha Meagher-Lundberg	University of Auckland
Adrian Smith	Word Up

*Darryn Davids (Liston College) opened the meeting with a prayer.*

## **1 APOLOGIES**

Y17/2007

MOVED by Andrew Wadsworth, seconded Kit Bushell:

That apologies from K Lee Ho for absence be received and sustained.

**CARRIED**

## **2 URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no Urgent Business.

## **3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

There was no Confirmation of Minutes.

#### 4 OPEN FORUM

5.36 pm **Sen Thong**  
**(Ministry of Youth Development)**

- The Ministry of Youth Development (MYD) produces a bi-monthly online newsletter called 12to24 which aims to network Youth Councils nationwide;
- The newsletter wanted to write an article on Waitakere Youth Council and their role at Waitakere City Council and their participation in active democracy.

5.48 pm **Dr Debra Widdowson and Trisha Meagher-Lundberg**  
**(Centre for Child Policy Research, The University of Auckland)**

- The University of Auckland Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences are conducting a project called Secondary Futures Project;
- Social Science researchers invited the Waitakere Youth Council to participate in a focus group discussion which aimed to research visions for secondary education from the consumers of education themselves. The discussion group will look at young people participating in a system to achieve and succeed.

6.05 pm **Alana Wadsworth and Louise Osbourne**  
**(Waitakere Youth Council)**

- Alana Wadsworth and Louise Osbourne gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Members on their recent Sister Cities exchange trip to Huntington Beach, California, United States of America.

#### 5 PROMOTIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

Amanda Mitchell presented quotes on the following promotional examples:

- Lanyards;
- Pull-up banners;
- Business Cards.

Y18/2007

MOVED by Andrew Wadsworth, seconded Jesse Thomas:

That the Waitakere Youth Council Promotional budget be set at \$2000.

**CARRIED**

#### Recommittal

The Chairman with the consent of the meeting recommitted Item 4: Open Forum.

#### 4 OPEN FORUM

6.20 pm **Adrian Smith**

- Invited Waitakere Youth Council to participate in the Word Up event to be held on Friday, 7 September 2007 at the Corbans Estate Arts Centre. The event includes a live band, singers, songwriters, stand-up comedians and poets.

The order of business resumed at Item: 6 Youth Facility.

## 6 YOUTH FACILITY

Stacey Hitchcock from Zeal who is in charge of the day to day operations of the Henderson Youth Facility, presented an update to Waitakere Youth Council.

- The portable sound system is scheduled to arrive 28 August 2007;
- The final drawing of the facility will be ready for sign-off in the next two weeks and the builders are scheduled to begin at the end of October 2007;
- The water fountain design will be produced by Liston College in a design competition.

Stacey also informed Members of an event to be held on 13 August 2007 called NZ Youth Q at the ASB Showgrounds. The event involves youth from all over New Zealand to hook up online simultaneously to share their visions and dreams for New Zealand. The event is sponsored by Saatchi and Saatchi and Biz Connect. There will be top level referral of this information, therefore it is important to have representation from the West.

## 7 YOUTH COUNCIL DELIBERATIONS

The Members deliberated on the following issues.

- Raising the drinking age;
- Youth Parliament.

Y19/2007

MOVED by Andrew Wadsworth, seconded Jesse Thomas:

That Waitakere Youth Council invites Hon. Chris Carter, Te Atatu MP, to attend a Youth Council meeting and workshop.

**CARRIED**

The following Community Board Meetings were attended:

- Henderson Community Board: Alana Wadsworth; Darryn Davids and Louise Osbourne;
- Waitakere Community Board and Massey Community Board: Amanda Mitchell and Robert Menzies Jnr;
- New Lynn Community Board: Clara McNiel.

*Katherine Torres (Community) closed the meeting with a prayer.*

7.47 pm

The Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRMAN:**.....