

**Report of the Gore District Youth Council meeting, held in the Lounge, James Cumming Wing, Ardwick Street, Gore on Monday 3 November 2014, at 5.00pm.**

**Present** Georgia Johnstone (Chair), Devin Kubala, Renee Moyles, Alec McWhirter, Alice Robertson, Grace Kelly, Brayden Scott, Tayla Marlow, Megan McCall, Olivia Nicholson, Luke Howden, Alex Parish, Jordan Edwards, Amy McCabe, Skyla Mill and Andrew MacLeod

**In Attendance** Youth Development Coordinator Kayla McIntosh, Cr Anne Gover, Youth Activities Coordinator Kylie Aitken and Kylie Weir Corporate Support Officer

**Apologies:** Hamish Goatley, Abigail Visser, Paige Ogilvy, Cirque Gammelín, Georgia Nichol, Sian Davis and Tomazina Koppen-Pavlovich.

1. Confirmation of Report

The report of the Gore District Youth Council meeting held on Monday 13 October 2014 had been circulated. Tayla Marlow moved that it be received, seconded by Megan McCall.

2. Expectations and Community Role Modelling during the Youth Awards

This item was an error; Mayor Hicks would be present at the 1 December meeting to go over the expectations.

3. Council agenda items:

Air Quality

Alex gave a brief overview on the proposed changes for Environment Southland's regional Air Quality Plan after meeting with His Worship. Discussion was held around the changes and if the Youth Council were for or against it. The Youth Council decided it would not put in a submission as none were homeowners and did not know enough about the changes.

## Motor Home Friendly Town

Discussion was held around making the Gore District a motorhome friendly town which meant there would be better parking available and dump stations provided for motorhomes. They discussed putting a motorhome parking space in Mataura so they can park and travel to Gore easier to have a look around.

By making Gore a motorhome friendly town there would be opportunities to be included in publications about where camping grounds were located and promote the district as a stopover for the Catlins and Fiordland area.

*Andrew MacLeod attended from 5.23pm*

### 4. Gore Youth Awards updates

The catering group advised that it had decided to reduce the quantity of food to 2-3 items per person as it was only a supper. It had reduced the cost to around \$1,500.00 from Food Affair. Kylie Aitken advised 400 Just juice bottles had been donated to be used on the night.

The entertainment group advised that presenters of some of the awards would be previous winners. The sponsors of the award had also been offered to present the award.

The PR group advised that it had distributed nomination posters in town and made them available at the Gore Library and other local businesses. It had started putting videos on the YouTube channel and getting messages on the youth council's Facebook page.

The sponsorship group advised that there had been a few more confirmations for sponsorship of \$500.00 as follows:

- Number 8 wire – Churchys Meats
- Black Sheep Sport Award – Stirling Sports
- Inspirator – Gore Social Sector Trials
- U Turn Health Award – Adventure Development Ltd
- U Turn Academic – Soroptimist International of Gore
- Top Gun – Ajax Building Contractors

The trophies had also been arranged and were the same design as last year.

The nomination group advised that the community had been notified by having posters up and adverts were in the Ensign and on the radio.

#### 5. Entertainment Recruitment

Luke advised the group was starting to make good progress with finding entertainment for the night, however still needed some musicians or singers to apply so all the gaps could be filled. It had come up with an idea to get local celebrities to record encouraging messages, which would be shown during the event.

#### 6. Information on how to apply for a community position on the Youth Council for those not selected as a school representative for 2015.

Kayla advised the Youth Council on how to apply as a community wide representative for 2015. Kylie handed out the application form and advised they needed to be returned to her by 5.00pm on 21 November.

Kayla went over the job description for the year coming and went over the new rules that had been put in place.

#### 7. Ideas for end of year break up

- Paintball
- Ten Pin bowling
- Pizza party
- Croquet

#### 8. General Business

Alex advised that he was putting together a proposal for the skatepark upgrade to present to the Council. It was looking for new ideas and features to enhance the skatepark and getting more people to use it.

Alec offered going to his friends from the festival he attended, and who had been part of a skatepark redevelopment in their area and ask them for advice.

Some of the ideas received included putting in lights for night skating, shrubs or bark around the edges to help tidy up the area, a bowl and flat box.

Date of the next meeting – Monday 1 December 2014 at 5.00pm.

The meeting closed at 5.50pm