

MEETING MINUTES	
YOUTH COUNCIL	
MONDAY 05 FEBRUARY 2024	6:00 pm



Minutes of a meeting of the Youth Council held on Monday 05 February 2024, which commenced at 6:08 pm in the Manawatū District Council Administration Building, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

Members:

Rylie Thomas	Carlota Ramirez	Maddie Lloyd
Kahu Potaka	Kaea Tahi-Martin	Finn Macdonald
Sienna Jones	Maia Murphy	Ruth Doyle
Briar Higgie	Amalie Allan	Ella Bydder
Te Mahia Pohatu Ngahere	Brooke Wilsin	Sadie Bruce

Present:

Joey Mckechnie	Youth Engagement Officer	
Cr Lara Blackmore	MDC Liaison Councillor	(Interim Chair)
Matt Pike-Daysh	Governance Support	
Barbara Bowling	Community Support	
Eric Schuster	Alumni	

Apologies: Sophie McLaughlin Sophie Monaghan Annie Coogan

YC 22-25/145

MEETING OPENING

The meeting was opened at 6:00 pm by Interim Chair Lara Blackmore with a Karakia, then offered the members the opportunity to open the next meeting; Kahu Potaka accepted the offer and will open the next meeting of the Youth Council on Monday the 19th of February 2024. Lara explained the roles and responsibilities of chair and that at the next meeting the final nomination will take place and the new chair will assume the role immediately.

YC 22-25/146

APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Sophie McLaughlin, Annie Coogan and Sophie Monaghan.

YC 22-25/147

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

All members went around the table and introduced themselves and discussed what they did during the holiday season and what they look forward to doing in 2024.

YC 22-25/148

NOMINATION FORMS

Lara ran through the Role Descriptions and elaborated on the process for nominating the new roles and nominating candidates. There were multiple new potential roles (co-chair, rainbow liaison and cultural liaison) that Lara assured the group are to be investigated further by the support team and discussed at a later date. Matt Pike-Daysh had a one-on-one session with each Youth Councillor to fill out the nomination forms to

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elect the new Chair, Deputy Chair, Finance Officer, Marketing and Social Media Representatives, and Alumni Liaison Officer.

YC 22-25/149

HEALTH AND SAFETY INDUCTION

Joey Mckechnie and Lara ran the Health and Safety Induction. Those that were absent at this meeting are to be inducted at their first meeting back. Also going through the appropriate responses to potential injuries also how to handle conversations with members of the community.

YC 22-25/150

COLOUR RUN

Joey and Eric Schuster updated the group on the Colour Run taking place on the 25th of February. The current ticket sales were at 208 tickets sold, expecting around 1,200 to 1,400 ticket sales. Organising an advertisement in the Feilding Herald and a courtesy letter drop to both inform the surrounding residents of the noise and invite them to bring their whanau along to the event. Discussions continue and Joey will investigate the possibility of extending the track across the road and obtaining a large traffic sign.

YC 22-25/151

ARA TAIOHI OPTIONS

Lara shared the idea with the group of merging the Welcoming Coordinators planned cultural day event with the Ara Taiohi Youth Week and the group agreed that it was a good idea. To be investigated by support team further.

YC 22-25/152

YOUNG ACHIEVERS AWARDS

It was put to the group to decide if the venue for the 2024 Manawatū District Young Achievers Awards should be changed from the Feilding Civic Centre to another venue, a High School in the District. The general consensus from the members were that the Civic is fit for purpose and can fit everyone in and should remain the existing venue.

YC 22-25/153

TEAMS

Matt went through the members that have had any trouble accessing TEAMS configuring the correct email addresses and will ensure everyone has access before the next meeting.

YC 22-25/154

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lara explained the coinciding events coming up and the idea was put forward to the Youth Council and during Youth Week (20-26 May 2024) is World Day for Cultural

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Diversity (21 May 2024) and the idea of joining with the Welcoming Communities Coordinator to come up with an event that could get sponsored by Ara Taiohi. Support Team will investigate this further.

YC 22-25/155

GENERAL BUSINESS

The next meeting will have the preferred candidates for the Roles and the final vote will take place.

YC 22-25/156

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 7:10 pm

The next meeting of the Manawatū District Youth Council will be held at the MDC Administration Building on the 19th of February 2024 at 5:30 pm