

MEETING MINUTES	
YOUTH COUNCIL	
MONDAY 16 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025	6.05pm



*Minutes of a meeting of the Youth Council held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025, which commenced at 6.05pm, Te Āhuru Mōwai, Manawatu Community Hub Libraries, Pātiki Tahuaroa room.*

**Present:** Kahupounamu Potaka (Chair) Carlota Ramirez  
Kaea Tahi-Martin (Deputy Chair) Darren Wijerathna  
Ruth Doyle (Finance Officer) Rose Jeffery  
Mackenzie Carman Social Media/ Marketing Sam McLean  
Kyle England (Health and Safety Officer) Maarire Komene  
Finn Macdonald

**Attended:** Joey Mckechnie (Youth Engagement Co-ordinator)  
Cr Lara Blackmore (MDC Liaison Councillor)  
Tori Short (Staff Governance Support)  
Eric Schuster (Community Support)  
Barbara Bowling (Community Support)

**Apologies:** Aislinn Kuriger

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### MEETING OPENING

Kyle opened the meeting with karakia.

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### APOLOGIES

Aislinn Kuriger

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### YOUTH MARKET

Carlota and Darren have been organising stores. There is a bunch of cool stores coming. Still 5 lots available.

YC discussed having as food court/ rest area with a few tables and chairs. Joey will organise a floor plan.

Sam has spoken to a friend that is trying to get his name out there with preforming. YC voted in favour of this. 7/1. Sam will organise this.

Ruth has confirmed x1 food truck, but no more confirmed yet.

Sam has suggested a photobooth idea also.

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### YOUNG ACHIEVERS

Sponsors

Confirmed: Feilding Oroua, Agri HQ, Feilding Intelligence

No response as of yet: Evolve Fitness and Sport Manawatu

Declined: PGG Wrightsons

Ideas: Central Environmental, Green by Nature, John Turkington Forestry, GEMEL Trust, Fenix UAS

Nominations are open. Closing 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Barry is working with Jerald to tweak the design of the Koru in the certificates.

YA will be awarded a certificate, plaque, fern and booklet.

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### GENERAL BUSINESS

Kyle asked for an update on Next wave future leaders in Christchurch. Unsure at this stage.

Finn got accepted into a leadership program in Wellington.

Macca and Sam have both received scholarships for outward bounds.

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### MEETING CLOSURE

Maarire closed the meeting at 6.55pm with karakia.

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The next meeting of the Manawatū District Youth Council will be held at Te Āhuru Mōwai (Manawatu Community Hub Libraries), the Pātiki Tahuaroa room, on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025** at 6:00 pm.