



Rangitikei District Council

Rangitikei Youth Council Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 28 May 2019 – 5:00 PM

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Present: Erika Elers
Caryse Clark
Charly Ward-Berry
Hunter van der Jagt
Kathryn Fleming
Makayla Vaa
Reihania Hemi

In attendance: His Worship the Mayor Andy Watson
Mataariki Veuger – Tuia representative
Michael Andrews
Anaru Hawira – Board of Trustees Student representative of Taihape Area School
Blair Jamieson – Strategy and Community Planning manager
Nardia Gower – Strategic Advisor for Rangatahi/Youth

Tabled Documents: Chair's Report May 2019.

1 Welcome

The meeting started at 5:14pm. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, a special welcome was made to Anaru and Mataariki.

2 Youth Council Prayer

Kathryn read the Youth Council Prayer

3 Public Forum

The Mayor's Task Force for Jobs was discussed. Anaru and Mataariki briefly introduced themselves and why they attended the meeting. Mataariki is a part of the Tuia programme, who take a long term approach towards developing young Maori across the generations into leadership roles. The Tuia programme has Mayor's selecting young Maori to mentor one-to-one basis to encourage leadership.

4 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apologies from Paige Turner be received.

Hunter van der Jagt / Caryse Clark. Carried

5 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda. No conflicts of interest were declared.

6 Confirmation of order of business

Due to Mr Jamieson having to leave the meeting early Item 12 was taken following Item 8, there were no late items.

7 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/016** **File Ref** **3-CT-19-3**

That the minutes of the Rangitikei Youth Council meeting held on 30 April 2019 (without amendment) be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Reihania Hemi / Makayla Vaa. Carried

8 Chair's Report

The Chair spoke to her tabled report. There were no questions raised.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/017** **File Ref** **3-CT-19-5**

That the 'Chairs Report' to the 28 May 2019 Rangitikei Youth Council meeting be received.

Kathryn Atkinson Fleming / Caryse Clark. Carried

12 Meet the Candidates Events

The Council noted the commentary in the agenda. Mr Jamieson spoke to the Council

- Mr Jamieson congratulated the Youth Council on getting involved in the elections.
- Three different meetings are recommended, i.e. one for each of the three district wards.
- Thoughts for next discussion will include which organisations could be involved as adult support for these events.

9 District Update May 2019

Ms Gower spoke to the memorandum; no questions were raised. Ms Gower encouraged the Council to request information on items of interest within the district.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/018** **File Ref** **4-EN-12-9**

That the memorandum 'District Update May 2019' to the 28 May 2019 Rangitikei Youth Council meeting be received.

Hunter van der Jagt / Kathryn Atkinson Fleming. Carried

10 Work-plan for 2019

Youth Engagement was the topic of discussion for the meeting. Ms Gower spoke of increasing district wide youth engagement, potentially modelling the method used by Horowhenua District Council (HDC). The Council agreed to attend a HDC meeting youth meeting if possible.

- Youth Box has been a slow process to gather feedback.
- Possibly testing a proactive approach.
- Horowhenua our neighbouring district has a closed Facebook page with 58 members including a leadership board of 8. Day-to-day communication getting feedback, advertising events and gathering volunteers throughout the district in one go has made it an effective model. The leadership board collates the feedback and engages relevant organisations such as Council.

Ms Gower noted the dates for Festival For The Future, Friday 26th-Sunday 28th July are the dates and requested attendance be confirmed ASAP.

Extra mention was made for the following topics

- Dudding Trust gives a grant of \$800,000. Youth Council may want to engage the community to apply.
- Samoan Independence Day on the 29th May.
- Maori language week – the Council discussed creating video clips of correct pronunciation of district place names, etc.

11 Rangitikei Youth Council Logo

This item was postponed.

13 Late Items

Nil.

14 Next Meeting

25 June 2019, 5.00 pm, Marton Council Chambers¹

15 Meeting Closed

Meeting was closed at 5:55pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

¹ Subsequently changed to 27 June 2019, 5.00 pm to allow attendance at the Rangitikei District Council meeting that afternoon.