



**HAMILTON YOUTH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday 11 February 2010 COMMENCING AT 6.00PM  
HAMILTON CITY COUNCIL, COMMITTEE ROOM 1**

<b>Present:</b>	
Mary-Beth Acres (Chairperson)	Tania Hermann (SDA)
Anaru Warren (Vice Chairperson)	Mareta Ford (Youth Development Team)
Renee Junger (Secretary)	Cr Joe Di Maio
Adele Rossiter	Cr Daphne Bell
Danielle Sinclair	
Michael Andrews-Peters	
Marvin Antonio	
Manny Fresh	
Jordan-Cooper Peters	
Isabelle Lomax-Sawyers	
Dominique Cornille	

<b>Apologies</b>	
Jaemie Sheck	Lisa Rowe
Daniel Schmidt	Serene Teokotai
Brendan Madley	Desiree Ryan (Strategic Update)
Cr John Gower	Cr Pippa Mahood
Cr Glenda Saunders	

<b>Absent</b>	
Tataihono Nikora	
Logan Madams	
Kris Kramer-Walter	

**Resolved:** [Mary-Beth Acres / Dominique Cornille](#)

That the apologies for the meeting of Youth Council of Thursday 11 February 2010 be accepted.

**Carried**



ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Welcome</b>	Everybody introduced themselves for benefit of new Youth Council members.	
<b>Correction to Minutes</b>	N/A	
<b>Previous Minutes</b>	No previous minutes.	
<b>Matters Arising</b>	N/A	
<b>Correspondence</b>	<p><u>Inwards</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adopt a Box</li> <li>- Youth Parliament 2010 (6-7 July) — Seeking Interest</li> <li>- HCC Draft Heritage Policy — Submissions by 1 March</li> <li>- Hamilton Multicultural Services Trust — Invite to annual Conference</li> <li>- MYD Certificates for attendees of the Central North Island Regional Youth Forum</li> </ul> <p><u>Outwards</u></p> <p>Nil.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b>     <a href="#">Mary-Beth Acres / Renee Junger</a></p> <p>That the Inwards and Outwards correspondence be received.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p>	
<b>Councillors Update</b>	<p><u>Cr Joe Di Maio</u></p> <p>SKATEBOARDING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 5 years ago a bylaw was passed that states no one is allowed to skateboard in the CBD.</li> <li>- Skateboarders have been stereotyped as disruptive/dangerous to general public.</li> <li>- Milan, with a population of 15 million people, has certain places and streets in the CBD where skateboarders can skate between 8am and 5pm, could this be done in Hamilton?</li> <li>- Some shop owners have been approached and think it is a good idea.</li> <li>- A trial run is being held in Garden Place. Still deciding on specific date/time. Will be primarily for 'professionals' or competition entrants.</li> <li>- Some of the people who attended Rototuna Skate Park meeting have</li> </ul>	<p>If you are interested in helping with the trial run in Garden Place, contact Cr Di Maio.</p>



	<p>continued to meet and are a part of helping to set this up, alongside the Youth Development Team and Communication and Marketing Team.</p> <p><u>Cr Daphne Bell</u></p> <p><b>DISTRICT PLAN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Determines the future of our city.</li> <li>- The critical issues are: Do we spread out or up? How do we continue to develop in ways that are sustainable, and looks good?</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved:</b>     Anaru Warren/Dominique Cornille</p> <p>That the District Plan document be put to the Environment sub-committee for discussion and comment.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p> <p><b>E-DEMOCRACY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Based on how to engage with younger generations, and with the wider community as a whole.</li> <li>- Addresses how to consult with the community in a way that suits the community.</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved:</b>     Isabelle Lomax-Sawyers/Renee Junger</p> <p>That the e-democracy document be put to both the Public and Community sub-committee's for discussion and comment.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p> <p><b>GARDEN PLACE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There has been a lot of activity in Garden Place over summer, which has helped to 'enliven it'.</li> <li>- Wednesday 17 February 2010 there is a free breakfast in Garden Place to celebrate sustainable transport, such as walking, riding or catching the bus.</li> <li>- 'Frocks on Bikes' organised by Cr</li> </ul>	<p>ENVIRONMENT Sub Committee - Comments on District Plan needed by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2010.</p> <p>PUBLIC/COMMUNITY Sub Committee's to discuss and comment on e-democracy document at next meeting.</p> <p>Walk/Ride/Bus to Garden Place for a free breakfast.</p>
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	Daphne Bell the morning of the free breakfast. Wear a skirt or dress!!!	
<b>Youth Development Team Update (Mareta Ford)</b>	<p><u>NZ Economic Development Conference</u> (Wednesday 10 February 2010) Discussed how Non-profit organisations can sustain their services and that social enterprise is becoming more common.</p> <p><u>Children's Day</u> (Saturday 7 March 2010) Melville Park (2pm — 5pm) will be having a youth component to it as it has been shown in the past that a lot of youth attend these days as well. Activities may include 18 hole mini putt and a Skate Park activity.</p> <p><u>Waikato/BOP Hip Hop Champs</u> (20 March 2010) To be held at Founders Theatre. Qualifying event for National Champs. National Champs is the qualifying event for the International Champs.</p> <p><u>Youth Leadership Camp</u> (end of March) Approximately 40 people to attend. Still looking for venues.</p> <p><u>Computer Clubhouse</u> (NOW OPEN) Part of International Clubhouse. Opened Monday 8 February 2010. Open Monday — Friday from 4pm — 5pm. Part of Enderley Community House. Has all the latest technology for music recording, graphic design and so on. Open to members only aged 10-18, but anyone is able to be a member.</p>	
<b>Strategic Update</b>	None.	
<b>Social Development Advisor Update (Tania Hermann)</b>	<p><u>h-Htwnyouth Bracelets</u> Promotion for h-Htwnyouth. Website is holding a completion at the moment to win tickets to OpShop and family pass to the Hamilton Zoo. Competition ends Monday 15 February 2010.</p> <p><u>Recognyz Youth Awards 2010-02-12</u> - Scheduled for Friday 17 September 2010, which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> to last week of Term Three.</p>	Add yourself to the community page <a href="http://www.htwnyouth.co.nz">www.htwnyouth.co.nz</a>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The purpose of Recognyz is to recognise the things that youth do in the community, other than in academic or sporting situations.</li> <li>- The categories need to be relooked at: Are they relevant? Do we have double-ups? Should we have an environment category? What can we do to increase the number of nominations in each category?</li> <li>- There are a number of jobs to go around. Youth Council are encouraged to select a job to be responsible for. HOWEVER, they must be able to deliver on time, there will be no second chances! Entertainment: small budget, find sponsors, source local entertainment, host bands on night Promotion: media releases, nomination forms, pamphlets, posters, branding, filming Sponsorship: Westfield and Tearaway already on board. Find more... (potentially Novotel???)</li> </ul> <p><u>Earth Hour</u> Saturday 27 March 2010 Earth Hour is where everyone in New Zealand switches off all electricity for 1 designated hour. Youth Council have been approached to help again. In discussion with the General Manager of the Novotel regarding a city/river cleanup. Need to discuss most appropriate place with Parks and Gardens so there are no double-ups. Needs to be a weekday to fit in with Novotel.</p> <p><u>Youth and Local Government Conference</u> 7 — 9 April 2010, planning to send 3 — 4 people. Cost to Youth Council approx \$1500 per person.</p> <p><u>Aspiring Leaders Conference</u> July. More information to come.</p>	<p>Tania to send out a details of what each job will entail. Youth Council to think about what role they wish to take, taking into account timeframes and deadlines!</p> <p>Write a statement to Tania explain why you should be selected to go to this Conference.</p>
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### Human Rights and Diversity

There is a lady coming to Hamilton on 5-6 March to talk to people, and youth about their stories relating to human rights and diversity. Stories shared will help form a project the lady is undertaking.

### Cool Things for Youth To Do - Workshop

Website is stage one of this project.

Stage 2 — How can youth run events in the city?

Question 1: If you had an idea for something, how would you go about making it into an event?

- Google
- Find Others
- Mentors
- Facebook
- Seek sponsorship
- Research everything
- Support groups
- Passion
- Communication
- Seek advice

Question 2: If you have run an event in the past, what was helpful?

- Mentoring
- Money
- People
- MC
- Volunteers
- Funding
- Resources
- Contacts
- Wider networks - global

Question 3: If you have had an idea that hasn't eventuated into anything, what stopped you?

- Knowledge
- Credibility
- Cost
- Motivation
- Neigh-sayers

Question 4: If you were to run an event, what things would you need and/or what help would

Email Tania if you are interested.



	<p>you require?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Experience</li> <li>- Money</li> <li>- Credibility</li> <li>- Support</li> <li>- Motivation</li> </ul> <p>As a sponsor/funder, what would you expect in return?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Promotion</li> <li>- Accountability</li> <li>- Outcome</li> </ul> <p>If a contestable fund was available for Youth to use to organise events, what would the application process be?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Online</li> <li>- Statement of intent/purpose</li> <li>- Available in paper form as well</li> <li>- Shortlist applicants for interviews</li> <li>- Applications to be accompanied by referees</li> <li>- Applications are instant, i.e. considered when they come in such as monthly</li> </ul> <p>Who should approve the contestable youth fund applications?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Panel or around 5 people</li> <li>- Mixture of ages</li> <li>- Panel should provide mentoring service for successful applicants</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Chair's Update</b></p>	<p><u>Ethnic and Migrant Young Peoples Conference</u>  Mary-Beth, Mareta and Mike (HCC Youth Advisors) attended.</p> <p>Youth Issues Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Education Issues (migrants coming in at lower starting school level than kiwi's)</li> <li>- Different family situations (children have more responsibility)</li> <li>- Caught between cultures (how do they retain their culture whilst fitting in with others?)</li> <li>- Stereotyped (must be friends with others of same culture)</li> <li>- Social interaction (there is a need for</li> </ul>	



	<p>more social interaction between migrants and kiwi's)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Employment (added difficulty with cultural dress)</li> </ul> <p><u>Youth Forum</u></p> <p>Who should we invite?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Schools (secondary)</li> <li>- Ethnic and Migrant Youth</li> <li>- Anyone who wants to come aged 14 — 24</li> <li>- Shoulder tapping — whoever we can get to come</li> </ul> <p>When should it be held?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Waikato Youth Week</li> <li>- Leadership Week</li> </ul> <p>Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Invite MP's and Councillors</li> <li>- Cultural performances</li> <li>- 'Have a say' day like Australia — people have the opportunity to come and talk on the podium for 5 minutes</li> <li>- Goodie Bags — makes it feel like a real event</li> <li>- Migrant Youth openly discussing same issues with Kiwi Youth — 'We are Hamilton Youth and we are diverse'.</li> </ul> <p>What is the purpose of it?</p> <p>What issues will we discuss?</p> <p>What do young people really want?</p> <p>How will the information gathered be used?</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b>     <a href="#">Mary-Beth Acres / Isabelle Lomax-Sawyers</a></p> <p>That a Youth Forum be held during Leadership Week (25 Jun — 2 Jul 2010) for people aged 14 — 24.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p>	<p>If you are interested in helping there will be a meeting: 25 February 2010 from 6pm-8pm at Richmond Park in Bader St.</p>
<p><b>Interest Groups</b></p>	<p>This year, along-side Youth Council, will be four sub committees. They are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community</li> <li>- Education</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Environment</li> <li>- Public</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see information sheet attached to the Agenda which was handed out at the meeting.</p> <p>The Community Sub-committee should attend the Community Network meetings.</p> <p>The Education sub-committee should be attending schools and the first Student Council meetings for 2010.</p> <p>The Public sub-committee <b>MUST</b> be politically neutral, and fairly represent the views of young people.</p> <p>The following people have expressed interest in the following groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community (Renee, Danielle, Dominique, Michael, Jordan, Marvin, Manny)</li> <li>- Education (Adele)</li> <li>- Environment (Isabelle, Anaru, Marvin)</li> <li>- Public (Isabelle, Anaru)</li> </ul> <p>At the meetings of the sub-committees, submissions, events and 'hot' topics will need to be discussed and commented on. Someone from each committee will need to report back to Youth Council on what was discussed, any events coming up, and the date/time of their next meeting.</p>	<p>Tania to email out the Community Network Meeting dates/times.</p>
<p><b>General Business</b></p>	<p><u>Waitangi Day</u>          Very good, entertaining day out.          Garden Place was possibly not the best venue —          The Lake may have been more suitable.          Bringing together of the community.</p> <p><u>Te Hurihanga</u>          The Ministry of Justice have decided to close Te Hurihanga, a correctional facility for youth here in Hamilton.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> <a href="#">Isable Lomax-Sawyers/Anaru Warren</a></p>	



	<p>That the Public sub-committee discuss the closing of Te Hurihanga.  <b>Carried</b></p> <p><u>Youth Rates</u>  A bill has been passes regarding the return of youth rates.  <b>Resolved:</b>     <a href="#">Anaru Warren/Mary-Beth Acres</a></p> <p>That the Public sub-committee discuss and begin to prepare a submission on the bill, and that it is discussed in more depth at the next Youth Council meeting.  <b>Carried</b></p> <p><u>Induction Ideas</u>  It will be on a Saturday.  Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Laser Tag</li> <li>- Paintball</li> <li>- Paint a Mural</li> <li>- Tenpin Bowling</li> <li>- Mini-Putt</li> </ul>	<p>PUBLIC Sub Committee to discuss and comment on the closing of Te Hurihanga at next meeting.</p> <p>PUBLIC Sub Committee to discuss and begin to prepare a submission on bill regarding Youth Rates at next meeting.</p>
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**Resolved:**     [Danielle Sinclair/Michael Andrews-Peters](#)

That being all the business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Next Meeting to be held  
Wednesday 17 March 2010



## **Sub-Committee Tasks**

### Environment

District Plan — comments needed by 28<sup>th</sup> February.

Make initial contact with Environment groups in Hamilton to find out what they are doing.

### Education

Discuss any related media (articles or news).

Make contact with local Student Councils.

### Public

E-democracy — discuss and comment (How can HCC better engage with the wider community?).

Te Hurihanga — discuss closing of facility.

Youth Rates — begin to prepare a submission.

### Community

E-democracy — discuss and comment (How can HCC better engage with the wider community?).

Attend Community Network meetings where possible.