

**Minutes
SWMPF Working Group on
Vulnerable and At Risk Children and Young People
9.00am – 11.00am, Thursday 9th February, 2017
St Pat's, 12 Queen Victoria Street. Fremantle**

Chair: Joan De Castro (Acting Chair -Children's Development Officer City of Cockburn)

Participants: Ian Gorman (FFSN-CPFS), Matthew Pasquill (City of Melville, Danielle Radford (CPFS Fremantle), Jenni Gordon (SWMPF), Eleanor Jones (Department of Sports and Recreation)

Apologies: Simone Ryan (Palmerston)

1. Welcome, Introductions and apologies

The group welcomed Matthew Pasquill from the City of Melville and Eleanor Jones from Department of Sport and Recreation.

2. Volunteer to take minutes

Jenni Gordon

3. Approval of minutes of meeting 19th January 2017

Approved

4. Actions arising from the minutes

To be discussed as part of the agenda items.

5. Grants-Department of Sports and Recreation

Eleanor mentioned several programs that are linked to the Department of Sports and Recreation which may be of interest to the working group. Examples of these are the WA Football Commission's Night Fields program. Liam Anthony is the contact person for this programme and he would be able to send out flyers to the SWMPF network if necessary.

Sporting Schools is a federally funded programme that offers sporting opportunities before, during and after school. The programme provides funding for coaches etc. as long as they are connected to the National Sporting Commission.

Matthew mentioned that the City of Melville runs a Nightfields programme that they would be happy to extend to kids outside of the Melville area provided they could arrange their own transportation.

Night Hoops was also mentioned as a good engagement programme. It is run out of Wally Hogan and Joan has agreed to follow up with more details.

It would be a good idea to link some of these sporting opportunity programmes with the school transition programme.

6. Transition Programme

Unfortunately Simone was not present to give an update on the programme. However, Matthew mentioned that he was currently involved in setting up a transition to high school programme with Caralee Community School. Matthew and Simone should liaise on these potentially overlapping programmes.

Simone is in the process of finalising the grant application to the City of Cockburn. The application is due in by the end of March, however, Joan has suggested that we try and get it in by mid-March in order to receive some feedback before the final cut off date.

If Simone wants any stats to be incorporated into the draft she needs to be in touch with Ian to let him know exactly the type of information she requires.

Mention was made of the DLGC Youth Engagement Grant, up to \$10 000 and it is open all year round.

7. Any other business

Ian requested that the mail list for the working group be updated. Joan reported that she spoken with Sue Kirkham (South Lake Deputy Principal) about getting quotes for Rocketeers badges using the remaining money donated by Officeworks.

Next Meeting

Date Thursday 9th March 2017

Time 9am -11am

Venue St Patrick's Community Support Centre, 12 Queen Victoria Street, Fremantle