

## Minutes

### **Meeting of the SWMPF Working Group on Vulnerable and At Risk Children and Young People**

**9:30am – 11:30am, Thursday 26th March, 2015  
Department of Education Regional Office,  
184 Hampton Road, Beaconsfield**

**Acting chair:** Dee Skuza – Community Development Officer – Youth (City of Melville)

**Participants;** Julie Fitzgerald (Team Leader, Responsible Parenting Services, Department for Child Protection and Family Support); Russ Eldean (Youth Liaison Officer, WA Police); Christine George (Youth Project Officer, City of Fremantle); Bobbie Mizen (Youth Outreach Officer, City of Cockburn); Denise Henden (Behaviour and Attendance Officer, Department of Education); Rieki Rolle (YShack), Maria McAtackney (Nyoongar Patrol), Ian Jorritsma (Department of Housing)

**Apologies:** Paul Loseby (Manager, HeadSpace), Karin Mac Arthur (SWMPF Community Partnership Broker)

#### **Welcome, introductions and apologies**

**Volunteer to take minutes:** Russ Eldean

#### **Approval of minutes meeting 3 March, 2015**

The minutes were approved without change.

#### **Update on actions arising from minutes**

- Ian re: contacts for sporting equipment. Awaiting response from Rebel Sport. Will also consider Armando Sports and possibly email suppliers.

#### **1. Meeting with the Principals**

- 9am, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at Winterfold School. Apologies – Russ, Denise, Julie and Christine

#### **2. Funding for “working lunches”**

Reminder to the group. Many agencies have provided funding for lunches but it has been asked if more would be able to provide funding for these. Those that haven't and can, could they please let Karin know.

### **3. Update from relevant members on stage 1 initiatives in the 3 schools**

#### **Caralee Community School**

- Stationery shop is running.
- Karin in discussion with the Fremantle Foundation regards sourcing funding for after school homework group.
- Basketball starts these school holidays (Hoops in the Park) and Hip Hop to start term 2.
- Drop In Centre being set up at the Willagee Community Centre for Thursdays 3pm to 5pm.
- Kaya Lane (opposite school and outside Library) project supported by Lotterywest with \$22,000 funding to install ping pong, shelter, astro turf – this will be a space for the kids to ‘hang’ after school and will be open 24/7 to the community.

#### **South Lake Primary School**

- PA purchased
- Ian following up on sports equipment
- Garden Foundation – Maria to follow up
- Dancing. Michael Wood on board – Bobbie to follow up
- Dockers visit rescheduled – Dee to follow up
- BMX, Dismantle – try Winterfold Centre who have a Bike Build Program (North Lake Senior Campus) or RAC Community Partnership Grants Bike Program <http://bit.ly/1EJop2v>

#### **Winterfold Primary School**

From meetings with Winterfold School it was decided that key factors to success were reassurance and working at the right pace for the school. To work during school terms and to focus on one to one questions and takeaway breakfasts for this term. To facilitate this Cole/Woolworths letters need to be drafted and sent. Next term could then move towards computer, afterschool homework or sports clubs.

It was decided that as much information on tasks should be sourced by 28<sup>th</sup> April to assess if they are viable. If not, remove and move on.

### **4. Schedule to review responses to stage 2 questions, propose initiatives and convene meeting with all Principals**

Volunteer to collate responses and produce a spreadsheet by 21<sup>st</sup> April for the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May. Maria (Nyoongar Patrol) volunteered one of her staff members for this task.

## 5. Marketing strategy – students, parents, P&Cs

Promotion at school assemblies by the children stating what they have achieved. Possibly wearing t shirts with the logo on during assemblies. Discussion on how we get the children more involved – is attendance improving?

Julie discussed ‘momentum’ and a short turnaround of projects to see results.

**Action:** Ask Principals at the next meeting (5 May) if the students will be allowed to wear a T-Shirt with their logo on it instead of the school uniform, if not, how else can we use the logo.

**Action:** Discuss marketing strategy with Principals (5 May)

## 6. Funding

A funding sources list was discussed:

Maria suggested an application to Lotterywest for funding – need to identify what we may need and to apply for a grant that will cover 2 years of projects.

Anglicare CEO on Lotterywest Board – could be some advice and invite to a future meeting.

Office of Crime Prevention grants usually twice a year - Russ

IGA Community Chest – Dee

P&C individual fundraising – Ian

Sanitarium – Denise suggested approaching them direct for Breakfast Club funding

**Action:** Maria volunteered Michael Wood - Operations Manager Nyoongar outreach services - to create a relevant funding resource list (with a description of what they fund, who is eligible, closing dates, amounts, etc)so that we can access/recommend funding for future projects like the Bike program.

Eg: <http://grantsdirectory.dlg.wa.gov.au/>

## 7. Any other business

- Base Line Data volunteer – Denise said she could help with this.
- Julie on 3 months annual leave from July.

## 8. Date and venue of next meeting

**Tuesday** 28<sup>th</sup> April (note Tuesday not Thursday)

9:30am

Education Department’s Regional Office, 184 Hampton Road.