



## **NEWCASTLE YOUTH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

2/03/2022 5 – 7pm @ Newcastle Library Laman Street, Newcastle

Chairperson: Alex
Minute Taker: Asha McNeill

## Meeting opened at 5.07pm

Notes Actions

1	Acknowledgement of Country		
2	Introductions and apologies	Present: Nick Grinpukel, Samuel Jenkins, Olivia Stewart, Ashley Harrison, Nic Cade, Alex Saxby-Mills, Cr Deahanna Richardson  Apologies: Isabella Moretti, Brittani Presland, Harine Kesavan, Kevin Hill, Lauren Proctor	

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		Weather could be an issue for any outdoor events this year	
		<ul> <li>What films? Youth oriented/made, Possibly local to the area</li> </ul>	
7	Youth Council Roles	Youth Committee Officer roles are up for re-election.  Any committee member can nominate for any role	Nick to include role position descriptions with minutes
		Emphasis on Chair, Vice Chair and Social Media Officer as the most important to fill	Everyone to nominate their desired roles or another member for a role before April meeting
8	Youth Mock Council	Youth Mock Council will run in the second week of Term 2 which is likely to be Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May.	Nick to email working groups with information & tasks
		<ul> <li>Working groups:         <ul> <li>Engage schools – Nic, Sam (Catholic schools), Asha</li> <li>Engage councillors – Nick, Alex</li> <li>Confirm Keynote speaker – Alex</li> <li>Set up registration form &amp; welcome information for students – Alex (use last year's form template)</li> <li>Develop run sheet –</li> <li>MC event – Sam (Thursday), Olivia (Thursday), Alex (Friday), Nic (Friday)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Keynote speaker suggestions         <ul> <li>Ashley Harrison – committee voted unanimously to ask Ash</li> <li>Cr. Pool</li> <li>Taylah Gray</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
9	Mardi Gras	Saturday the 5 <sup>th</sup> of March Newcastle Library to have a watch party at the Lovett Gallery from 7pm – late  Newcastle Youth Council invited to be involved  Possibility to engage new members  Sam volunteered to attend	Nick to connect Sam with Kirk (event organiser)  Nick produce QR code that directs to Youth Council sign up sheet

			for new prospective members
10	Lake Macquarie Youth Council Collaborations	Committee discussed options to increase collaboration between (NYC) & Lake Macquarie (LMYC) Youth Councils. Ideas included;  - Joint meetings in the same method as last year (One in each council's location)  - Youth newsletter raised by Lake Macquarie Youth Council which could have Newcastle Youth Council involvement  - Careers Expo in May – NYC could be present to promote our own council  - Potential for a standing agenda item for the LMYC liaison to report on	Alex to suggest to LMYC NYC coming to careers expo
11	Hunter Homeless Connect Day	Event led by Compass housing for people experiencing homelessness and services who wish to assist them. Event date – November 5 <sup>th</sup> Possibility of the event running again this year with NYC being given the opportunity of running the Youth Hub  Working group: Alex, Nic, Asha	Nick to invite working group to next organising meeting
12	Lambton Library Open Day	Lambton Library is having a Reopening Day after renovations on Saturday 19 March from 10am till 1pm. Youth Council members invited to run a stall at the event  Cr Richardson & Alex to attend	Nick to email members with details
13	General Business	Sam currently directing a play 'HIR to be performed at the Playhouse 16 <sup>th</sup> March till 19 <sup>th</sup> March – tickets: <a href="https://civictheatrenewcastle.com.au/what-s-on/all-shows/hir">https://civictheatrenewcastle.com.au/what-s-on/all-shows/hir</a> Nic working on Soul Café Sleepout at the Bolton Street carpark in mid-May (date TBD)  Alex working towards putting on Walk A Mile Koori Style with information to be announced at later dates	Nick to include link to HIR in minutes
14	Social Media	Members are strongly encouraged to nominate for the Social Media Officer position to reactivate Instagram account	

Meeting closed at 6.58pm

Next Meeting

5/04/2022 @ TBC Chairperson – TBC Minute Taker - TBC