

MINUTES

Women's Advisory Committee

held at

Video/Phone Conference Video/Phone Conference Video/Phone Conference

on

Tuesday 5 October 2021

at 4:30 PM

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 4.30pm.

1. Present

Present: Clr Cassandra Coleman, Sue Murdoch, Leanne Walding, Kellie Evans, Tenille Evans, Reidun Berntsen

Officers: Ali Kim, Cristina Portilla

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes were endorsed by two members of the Committee being:

Reidun Berntsen and Tenille Evans

The minutes were presented to the Council on 27 September 2021

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of be taken as read and confirmed.

SECONDED: Tenille Evans

MOVED: Reidun Berntsen

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

5. Declaration of Interest

Nil

6. Discussion Items

6.1. International Women's Day

Reidun has been working on plans for a project for International Women's Day.

A podcast interviewing women from the region with a focus on resilience.

Committee agreed this is good 'pandemic proof' option.

With weekly podcasts leading up to IWD on March 8th.

Depending on covid restrictions we could do a live event on March 8th as well.

Committee agree it is important to work in partnership with other organisations/businesses. We don't wish to exploit small business and must carefully consider the reciprocal nature of partnerships.

Ali will find out the budget from community events.

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

THAT

Reidun take leadership of the project with support from Community Development Officers.

MOVED: Leanne Walding SECONDED: Kellie Evans

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.2. Safe Haven Project

Safe Haven Project has been very successful despite covid restrictions.

195 people have participated in the project with 24 meetups held and 5 PCYC scholarships. There is still \$300 remaining in the budget.

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council note the success of the program.

MOVED: Reidun Berntsen SECONDED: Kellie Evans

CARRIED: Unanimously

7. General Business

Australia Post Grant: The committee was successful in applying for this grant (with warm thanks to Reidun and Leanne) we received one of only 2 in the region and were fully funded for \$5250-this funding will be administered via LINC with the support of the WAC

Depending on covid this project will commence in 2022 with a series of workshops including journalling, yoga, sound bowl healing and other mental health enhancing practices. Tenille has offered Secret Creek as the venue during the week (probably Thursdays) for no charge.

The money will be spent predominantly on facilitators and catering for these workshops. Participants will be recruited via LINC, social media and word of mouth.

Dissolving of the committee. As the council elections approach council will be entering caretaker mode and all committees will be dissolved. It is hoped that the valuable work of this committee will be able to continue in the new council term. all current members are strongly encouraged to reapply and mindfully consider others they might encourage to apply.

Clr Coleman: Expressed her thanks to each member of the committee. The dedication, time, effort and patience of the group has been an inspiration to her and she is proud to have been associated with the establishment of this committee and with its ongoing work.

8. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: TBC

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at {5.15pm}.

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