

4. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT OF 19 MAY 2004 MEETING**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Wednesday 19th May 2004.

The meeting was attended by Peter Laloli (Chairperson), Bob Shearing, Ishwar Ganda, and Mike Mora.

An apology was received from Lesley Keast.

1. **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

Three funding requests were received:

Nancy Milik and Hayden Peacock, seeking funding towards costs associated with attendance at the Golden Key International Convention in Atlanta, USA, from 12 – 15 August. Nancy is the Vice President and Hayden is the Secretary of the Golden Key International Honor Society, University of Canterbury.

Riccarton High School on behalf of Tele Elia seeking funding to enable Tele to attend the Quadrangular Trans Tasman Volleyball Tournament as a member of the South Island Secondary Schools Volleyball Team in Australia.

The Committee recommendation is listed under clause 7 of this report.

2. **CULTURE GALORE!**

Jacqui Leask, Community Recreation Adviser, thanked the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board members for once again supporting *Culture Galore!*

It was reported that the multi cultural festival was staged on Saturday 6 March at Ray Blank Park. This was the fourth consecutive summer the multi-cultural event had been staged at this venue. *Culture Galore!* is continuing to be well attended by 55 groups from Christchurch's cultural community as well as by the local community, attracting an estimated 5,000 people. With lots of live entertainment and colour, *Culture Galore!* was a wonderful celebration of our multi-cultural community.

When comparing the survey results of the 2004 event to the 2003 event the results have been very similar, with a high number of public and cultural groups who participated in the event satisfied with the overall theme of the event and the variety of cultures participating.

A recurring theme from the evaluations was to relocate the event to a bigger venue and for a greater variety of cultures, activities and have-a-go options. The event planning committee needs to emphasize the fact that *Culture Galore!* is a local event, which celebrates the diversity of cultures living in the western suburbs in all print information to the cultural groups and to the public.

The Committee congratulated Jacqui Leask, Ken Howat (Community Recreation Adviser, Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board) and the Event Planning Committee for their efforts in presenting such a successful event.

The Committee recommendation is listed under clause 7 of this report.

3. **ZEBEDEES TRUST APPLICATION TO CONFIRM COMMUNITY BOARD FUNDING**

Denise Galloway, Community Development Adviser, introduced Chris Martin from 4YP and Steve and Jenny White, Zebedees, who were in attendance to answer member's questions.

The Community Development Adviser reported that on the 29th October 2003 the Board had agreed to underwrite a grant \$12,150 to the Zebedees Trust to cover the shortfall related to the renting of premises for a youth entertainment centre on Blenheim Road subject to a report outlining the development of the project after a six month period.

It was reported that Zebedees, after unforeseen hold-ups relating to building issues, had opened its doors on the 21st of February 2004. It had now been operating for nine weeks. During this period, apart from two major events, numbers had been lower than expected. Discussions with CCC 4YP project manager Chris Martin and the managers of Zebedees, Steve and Jenny White, had identified two major issues – the lack of a marketing plan and the lack of ownership of the venue by youth themselves.

Chris Martin, from 4YP has, with the assistance and agreement of Steve and Jenny White developed a marketing plan, which focuses on raising the profile of Zebedees through advertising and running special events (six consecutive weeks). A strong partnership between CCC 4YP and Zebedees has now been established and they will continue to work together closely. With the new marketing plan in place, Steve, Jenny and Chris believe that the profile of Zebedees will be raised and attendance numbers will increase.

The Zebedees Trust is dependent on funding from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board to pay the rental shortfall of \$12,150. They currently have funding up until 1st August 2004.

The Committee **agreed** to go into Public Excluded for further discussion.

The recommendation from the Community Development Adviser was that the Committee confirm a grant of \$12,150.

The Committee was supportive of the Officer's recommendation but made an addition, which is recorded under clause 7 of this report.

4. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS 2004

The Board, at its 5th May 2004 meeting, gave the Community Services Committee "power to act" in making decisions on the 2004 Community Service Award nominations.

It was noted that one nomination had been received for a Community Board member and was not eligible for endorsement. The Committee's recommendation in relation to nominations received for Community Board members is listed under clause 7 of this report.

Twenty Five nominations were received - 23 were endorsed, 1 was recommended for consideration in the 2004 Civic Award Scheme and 1 was declined.

At this stage the names of those nominated remain confidential until such time as the awards are accepted or otherwise. The names of those nominated etc will be reported to Board members by way of memo with details of the presentation function at a later date.

5. ONGOING ISSUE

Quality of Life '03 – in New Zealand's Eight Largest Cities – Martin Maguire, Community Advocate informed the Committee that Kath Jamieson, Senior Research Adviser had agreed to draw out the Riccarton/Wigram component of the data for the Committee's consideration.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday 23 June 2004 – 8.30 am

7. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board approve the following grants from the Youth Development Scheme -

Nancy Milik	\$300
Hayden Peacock	\$300
Tele Elia	\$190

- That *Culture Galore!* be staged again in March 2005 at Ray Blank Park.
- That the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board grant the sum of \$12,150 to Zebedees Trust to cover the rental shortfall. This commitment does not bind the Board to any further funding.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and that the recommendations contained in Clause 7 above be adopted.