

8. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval of an application for funding from its 2005/06 Youth Development Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by a 13 year old girl, living in the St Martins area towards costs associated with travelling to Auckland for the National Trampoline competition being held in August 2005 in addition to training costs.
3. The applicant has been successful in a number of sports in addition to trampoline, including artistic gymnastics and diving at a national level.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following outlines competitions and budgetary requirements for 2005:

Activity/Competition	Date	Cost
Training per term	ongoing	\$280 x 4 = \$1,120
Holiday training	ongoing	\$100 x 4 = \$400
New trampoline mat		\$235
Auckland Competition	July 2005	\$500
Auckland Nationals	August 2005	\$500
Holland - Worlds	September 2005	\$6,000
Total Cost		\$8,755

5. At this stage the family have been supporting the applicant by themselves and this is the first application they have made to an outside organisation. Currently permission is also being obtained from the Olympia Gymnastics Sport Club to do some fundraising.

BACKGROUND ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION

6. The applicant recently attended the Australian National Trampoline competition held in Brisbane in June, where she won a bronze medal. In the South Island Age Group competition held in May, she was placed 1st in the synchronised competition and 2nd in the individual competition. At last year's New Zealand nationals held in Invercargill, she also won a gold medal with her trampoline partner in the synchronised competition.
7. The applicant's aim for this year is to be selected for the team that will travel to Holland for the Trampoline World Competition being held in September 2005. Her coach is very supportive of her aim and she is now training with the Elite Squad at Olympia Gymnastics Sport Club. While she wishes to achieve highly she also wants to pass on her skills and dedication in a coaching capacity as she gets older.
8. Referees supporting the application have indicated that the applicant is a very talented trampolinist and a good team player. She organises events for the team as well as contributing significantly in team planning for trips away.
9. The applicant is a member of the Olympia Gymnastics sports Club which is affiliated to Trampoline Canterbury Inc. which, in turn, is affiliated to Trampoline New Zealand Inc.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board agree to allocate \$500 from its 2005/2006 Youth Development Fund to assist with costs associated with the applicant travelling to Auckland to participate in the National Trampoline Competition being held in August 2005.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.