

9. APPLICATIONS TO FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Board approval for five funding applications from its 2005/06 Youth Development Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. **Application One & Two**
Funding is being sought by Samantha Nicholson, aged 12, and her dance partner Andre de Joux, aged 13, to attend a five day Latin/Ballroom Dance camp being held in Sydney in February 2006. Camp participants will receive instruction from world class coaches which will be a great opportunity to further develop their dancing careers. Both Samantha and Andre will have one parent travelling with them. Total cost per attendee is \$2500 which includes air travel, accommodation, food and camp fees.
3. Samantha and Andre have been dance partners for one year and have successfully competed in a number of competitions achieving 1st placing in five events since March this year.
4. **Application Three & Four**
Funding assistance is being sought by Emily Roberts, aged 15 and her brother Jack Roberts, aged 12, to attend a National Soccer Tournament being held in Napier in December this year. Emily has been selected to play in the 16th grade girl's squad and Jack has been selected for the 13th grade boy's squad. The tournament involves representative teams from all seven soccer regions throughout the country. The total cost per player to attend this event is \$650.
5. **Application Five**
Funding assistance is sought by Douglas Browning, aged 13 to attend the National Soccer Tournament being held in Napier in December this year. Douglas has been selected for the 13th grade boy's squad. Douglas has a very impressive soccer CV, receiving numerous Player of Year awards and selection for aged group representative teams. This term he has been identified as an elite player and attends the Mainland Soccer Youth High Performance Centre which involves training with high level coaches three times a week at QE 11.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. There are no legal issues to be considered.
7. The parents of Emily Roberts, Jack Roberts and Douglas Browning advise that the soccer team has held a quiz night and run sausage sizzles to raise funds. They are also applying to Sport Canterbury for funding assistance.
8. The parents of Andre and Samantha advise that they are not seeking funds from other sources and will meet any financial shortfall.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve:

- (a) Applications One & Two to allocate \$500 to both applicants from the 2005/06 Youth Development Fund towards the costs of attending the Latin/Ballroom Dance Camp.
- (b) Applications Three, Four & Five to allocate \$300 each to the three applicants from the 2005/06 Youth Development Fund towards the costs of attending the National Soccer Tournament.

CHAIRMAN'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendations be adopted.