

9. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Board approval for an application for funding from its 2005/06 Discretionary Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by David Hoekendijk, a 15 year old boy who lives in the Halswell area, towards costs associated with attending the New Zealand Under 16 Men's Basketball Squad selection camp and the Australia National Championships. The New Zealand selection camp will be held in Auckland from 19 to 24 April and the Australia National Championships will be held in Ballarat, Australia from 17 June to 1 July 2006.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following outlines the applicant's budgetary requirements for 2006:

Activity/Competition	Date	Cost
April National Team Selection Camp		
Transport	April 2006	\$ 250
Accommodation/Meals	April 2006	\$ 425
Rentals	April 2006	\$ 130
Miscellaneous--(includes insurance, equipment, sport science /medicine integration, clothing)	April 2006	\$ 95
Team Preparation Camp and Australian Championship		
Accommodation & Meals	April 2006	\$1,560
Transport	April 2006	\$1,020
Uniform	April 2006	\$ 310
Rentals (vehicles and court hire)	April 2006	\$ 438
Miscellaneous – (includes clothing, insurance, equipment, sport science medicine integration)	April 2006	\$ 632
Total Cost		\$4,055

4. David has currently raised \$200 through his own savings with a summer holiday job. During term time, David is fully committed to his school work and basketball training so no other fundraising has happened. David is unable to apply to most trusts because as an individual he does not meet their criteria.

BACKGROUND ON THE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUEST

5. David has been playing basketball since he was 9 years of age. He has represented Canterbury since the age of 13 years and was selected most valuable player at the age of 14 at the New Zealand Nationals. David first represented New Zealand in the under 15 squad and has competed at the Pacific Slam tour at Port Macquarie Australia. The team came 3rd overall.
6. David's main goal for attending the New Zealand Under 16 Men's Basketball Squad selection camp and the Australia National Championships is to further develop his skills in order to cement his place in the New Zealand Basketball team. David currently helps out as a volunteer at his school with the coaching of the year 5/6 team on Friday nights at Wharenui. He is also involved in the mentoring programme at his school. Attending the New Zealand Under 16 Men's Basketball Squad selection camp and the Australia National Championships will not only enhance and develop his basketball skills, but also benefit the children he coaches each week. David's ultimate goal is to play for the Tall Blacks.
7. The New Zealand Under 16 Men's Basketball Squad selection camp is being hosted by Basketball New Zealand and the Australia National Championships are being hosted by Basketball Australia.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board agrees to allocate \$500 from its 2005/2006 Discretionary Fund to assist with costs associated with the applicant participating in New Zealand Under 16 Men's Basketball Squad selection camp and the Australia National Championships from 19 to 24 April and June 17th to July 1st 2006.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.