8. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present an application for funding to the Board from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund. There is a nil balance in the Board's 2006/07 Youth Development Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by Jackson Charles Payne, a 21 year old who is seeking financial assistance towards costs associated with attending the Oceania Inline Hockey Championships in Adelaide, Australia. This event will occur from 13 to 20 April 2007.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following table provides a breakdown of the funding requested.

JACKSON CHARLES PAYNE	
Expenses	Cost (\$)
Air Fares	\$1,142
Accommodation and meals	\$ 829
Uniform	\$ 90
Ground Transport & insurance	\$ 215
Pre tournament camp costs & fees	\$ 583
Total Cost	\$2,859
Other funding being sourced	\$1,000
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$1,000

BACKGROUND ON JACKSON PAYNE

- 4. Jackson is an Ilam resident and is currently studying full time at Canterbury University. Jackson has been playing inline hockey for 11 years and has been selected for various representative teams since 1999.
- 5. In 2005 Jackson was selected in the Under 18 side to represent New Zealand, where they were placed third in the Junior World Championships behind the U.S.A and Canada. He also gained selection in the Under 20 side in the same year. Jackson progressed to the Senior Men's New Zealand side in 2007, and his goal is to make the World Championship team and to travel to Germany in 2008.
- 6. Jackson is one of only two players in his team that is studying full time as well as playing and training. His full time study commitment as well as growing up in a single parent family has made it difficult to raise extra funds for his trip. Jackson has also been proactive by seeking sponsorship from various companies to assist him financially, but these funding sources are still under consideration.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board agrees to allocate \$300 to Jackson Charles Payne from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund for costs associated with the applicant attending the Oceania Inline Hockey Championships in Adelaide, Australia from 13 to 20 April 2007.