8. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING – REPORT OF 24 JULY 2007

| General Manager responsible: | General Manager Regulation and Democracy Services, DDI 941 8462 |
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| Officer responsible: | Democracy Services Manager |
| Author: | Janet MacDougall, Acting Community Board Secretary. |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to submit the following outcomes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 24 July 2007.

The meeting was attended by Val Carter (Chairperson), Cheryl Colley, Pat Harrow and Mike Wall.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Sally Buck, Faimeh Burke, Andrew Yoon.

2. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JACK WOODS

The Committee's approval was sought for a request for funding from Jack Woods, a 12 year old student at Elmwood Normal School, to compete in the "Day of Difference" Junior Games for athletes with a disability. This event is being held in Sydney at the Academy of Sport and Recreation from 30 September to 7 October 2007.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Board allocate \$300 to Jack Woods from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme to assist with costs involved in travelling to Sydney to compete in the "Day of Difference" Junior Games for athletes with a disability.

3. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME - SHANNEN KENNEDY

The Committee's approval was sought for a request for funding from Shannen Kennedy, a 14 year old Rangi Ruru student, to assist with costs involved in travelling to Dunedin as a member of the Canterbury Women's Ice Hockey team to compete in the New Zealand Championships. The tournament is being held from Friday 31 August to Sunday 2 September 2007.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Board allocate \$100 to Shannen Kennedy from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme to participate in the New Zealand Ice Hockey Championships in Dunedin from Friday 31 August to Sunday 2 September 2007.

4. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JADE STEELE

The Committee's approval was sought for a request for funding from Jade Steele, is an 18 year old local resident who has been selected to join a year long course in 2008 at the prestigious London School of Musical Theatre.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Board allocate \$1,000 to Jade Steele from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme to assist with attendance costs at a year long course in 2008 at the London School of Musical Theatre.

5. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME - SUMIN AHN

The Committee's approval was sought for a request for funding from Sumin Ahn, a 23 year old resident of Harewood, who has been accepted for a period of study at the Faculty of Law of the University of Groningen, The Netherlands, for the first semester of the academic year 2007-2008.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the application and allocate \$800 to Sumin Ahn from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) That the Board decline the application on the following grounds:

The candidate was not selected in a contestable process; the candidate only needed to apply for a place at the University;

Limited immediate benefit to the Christchurch area as the candidate is likely to be in other parts of New Zealand for some time following her return; and

The general nature of the application; that it is for an activity (overseas study in Law) that many young people undertake.

(b) That the Board recommend to the incoming Fendalton/Waimairi Board in the new term that a report be requested from staff that identifies any issues of concern with the current criteria for the Youth Development Scheme and provides recommendations for changes if required.

The meeting concluded at 8.30 am.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the Committee recommendations be adopted.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.