

12. BURWOOD/PEGASUS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – APPLICATIONS – MAHALIYAH HOBSON, JAHMON DAJI AND KEZIAH SMITH

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a request for funding from Mahaliyah Hobson, Jahmon Daji and Keziah Smith to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme fund to attend the Nga Manu Korero 2010 National Secondary School Speech Contest in Dunedin in September 2010.
2. There is currently a balance of \$4,610 remaining in the Board's Youth Development Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. The applicants, Mahaliyah Hobson 13 years old, Jahmon Daji 15 years old and Keziah Smith 16 years old, are residents of Aranui and New Brighton and are all students at Aranui High School.
4. Keziah is in year 12 where she is the Kapa Haka girl leader and took part in the regional Manu Korero held at Nga Hau E Wha this year. At the High Schools Maori Student Awards last year along with two trophies Keziah received awards for Science, Physical Education, English, Kapa Haka and Maori. Keziah would like to get a degree in nursing.
5. Jahmon loves doing Kapa Haka and playing sport and is in Te Kotahitanga which is a project aiming to improve the educational achievement of Māori students in mainstream secondary schools by bringing together whanau, Maori and non-Maori teachers, and the school community. The trip to Dunedin for him is to tautoko/help the schools speaker, to sing and perform hakas and to benefit from the experience in preparing him for the competition next year where he hopes to be a speaker himself.
6. Mahaliyah is 13 years old and has a strong interest in Kaupapa Maori and is committed to Tikanga Maori and has never been able to participate in or attend an event such as this previously due to a lack of funds.
7. The Nga Manu Korero 2010 National Secondary School Speech Contests are now entering their 45th year and the national finals this year will be held at the Lion Foundation Arena, Edgar Centre, Dunedin from 21 to 23 September 2010. The contests are intended to encourage the development of skills and confidence of Maori students in spoken English and Maori. New Zealand Post Primary Teachers' Association extends an invitation to all secondary schools to participate in this annual event, noting that the Maori section is open to all students, but the English section is confined to Maori students only.
8. This event provides an opening for youth who may not normally have the opportunity or capacity to attend events such as this due to the travel costs and distances involved. All of the attendees will benefit from the competition by experiencing something new, being able to support their representative speakers, performing, improving their Maori, furthering their own development and being able to listen to and discuss youth "leaders" views of the world today through the speech topics being presented.
9. This is the first time the applicants have applied to the Community Board for funding.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. There is currently a fund balance of \$4,610 remaining in the Board's Youth Development Scheme.

11. A breakdown of the costs for all three to attend are as follows:

Expenditure	
Travel to and from Dunedin (\$50/person)	150
Conference Registration and Accommodation (\$160/person)	480
Uniforms (\$150/person)	450
Total Expenditure	\$1,380
Income	
Fundraising Hangi (\$50/person)	150
Total Income	150
Total amount requested from the Board	\$1,230

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

12. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

13. Yes, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes, including Board funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. The funding allocation process carried out by Christchurch Community Boards is covered in the Council's Strengthening Communities Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. No external consultation needs to be undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board makes a grant of \$160 each from its 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme fund to Mahaliyah Jazz Hobson, Jahmon Takrei Daji and Keziah Arapeta Smith towards their attendance at the National Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech Contest in Dunedin from 21 to 23 September 2010.