



**REC.CENTRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Rec.Centre Advisory Committee
held at the Rec.Centre, Albany Highway, Mount Barker
at 6.00pm on Tuesday 15 October 2013

**Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Committee Members:

Cr S Etherington, Cr Andrus Budrikis, Mr Rob Stewart, Ms Nicole Selesnew, Ms Ronnie Smith, Ms Karen Webb, Mrs Jennie Berliner, Mr Murray Hammond, Mr Andrew Fraser and Mrs Shirley Reynolds.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

6:06pm The meeting was opened

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

Present

Cr Sue Etherington
Greg Sounness
Karen Webb
Ronnie Smith
Isabelle Draffehn
Rob Stewart (6.37pm)

Apologies

Shirley Reynolds
Andrew Fraser
Nicole Selesnew
Jennie Berliner

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Greg Sounness, Seconded Karen Webb:
That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Rec.Centre Advisory Committee held on 23 July 2013 be accepted.

CARRIED

4 RECREATION CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT

4.1 CENTRE UPDATE

- Roof repair update – the roof has been fixed and the Rec.Centre has no more water leaks. Laser lights and screws were replaced. The ventilation system still needs to be evaluated.
- Rec.Centre Name – 'The Rec.Centre' was passed at the Council Meeting 28 August 2013. The new logo is still being developed/designed. Once this is complete the entry sign design can be concluded. The committee suggested silhouettes in front of tin for the entry design. Cr Sue Etherington offered to work on logo/design plans.
- Programs
 - The Rec.Centre is running a Biggest Loser Competition again this term. Currently they have 4 teams nominated with a total of 24 participants; and

- Social Sports will be soccer this term. Ronnie advised that weights need to be removed prior to usage of the drama room at the school and enquired about the acquisition of a trolley.
- New Recreation Officer – The Rec.Centre has employed a new Recreation Officer, Michelle Headley. Michelle will be on Annual Leave for the term and will train up for classes to support Ronnie once she returns.
- Traineeship – Kiara has completed her traineeship Cert II in Sport and Recreation. The new trainee will be Tameka, a young Noongar girl. This will be good for the Centre as it may encourage local Noongar people to participate to participate in physical activity.
- Crèche – a meeting was held with Jane and Nicole to discuss the increase of fees and the decrease of staff resources (\$260 extra on memberships for crèche service). New strategies were implemented at the crèche to achieve a better level of duty of care.
- Kids Club – the Kids Club was running at a considerable loss. Feedback was received from the community which indicated that this service is still in demand. The Kids Club is still being run every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and payment is required up front with the option of direct debit payments. At this stage the program is running on a trial basis and may still be dissolved.
- Active After School – this program is funded through the Federal Government's Active After School Program. It is a free service and will comprise of fitness focussed activities on Mondays and Wednesdays.

4.2 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

- It was identified that The Rec.Centre requires soccer balls and other equipment and Ronnie has asked Tony Norment (Active After School Program) if there were funds available through the Active After School Program to purchase equipment. Tony is looking into this.
- A new stage for fitness classes would be desirable, fundraising options were discussed.

4.3 BUILDING AND GARDEN MAINTENANCE

- Sign at Albany Highway – The sign design has not been finalised yet; Ronnie to do more research into the costs. This concept has been discussed at past meetings.
- Bike Rack – Jamie Rutter has ordered a bike rack for the centre.
- The Rec.Centre carpark has some substantial storm damage. The damaged fence was replaced by the Mount Barker Community College. The remaining trees may need to be replaced by trees with deeper root systems.

4.4 FINANCE AND ATTENDANCE

- Finance and attendance sheet attached.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

- A board/sign on the road to promote Rec.Centre services was suggested. Action: Ronnie to research;
- It was suggested that programs are being advertised more widely within the community (for example flyers at the Co-op, Tourist Bureau and the Post Office);
- The committee discussed options regarding a wall being removed between the two squash courts to make that space available for fitness classes. Action: Ronnie to research; and get some quotes; and
- The idea of a Youth Lounge was raised and funding options discussed for such a service including funds for a Youth Officer and fundraising options (for example a car wash).

6 NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 10 December 2013 at 6pm (to be confirmed)

7 MEETING CLOSURE

7:17pm

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON _____ DATE: ____/____/____