

Minutes for UKYP Eastern region 11th August 2009

Present :

Sam (chair)
Damon (minute taker)
Fraser
Hannah
George
Justin

Apologies :

Holli
Chanelle
Emma Louise

Item 1 - review the minutes of last meeting

It was raised that the date for the racism training is the same day as GCSE results which would make it difficult for some members to attend
The attendance letter was reviewed and the group decided to get rid of the first paragraph to make the letter more general and the possibility of having 2 letters was discussed, one letter as a general information letter for all members and a second letter for people who persistently do not show up for meetings
Catherine told the group that we have been granted full funding through youth bank for the CAFÉ project

Item 2 - anti racism training

This was discussed when we reviewed the minutes and people raised concerns about the date of the training (27th August) clashing with GCSE results so Catherine is looking into alternatives

Item 3 - updates

Sam has applied to RAW TV to take part in a documentary about politicians of the future
Hannah has a joint surgery with her MP in her constituency
Justin fed back to the group that his presentation to the transport select committee went very well
Catherine told the group about YEA has talent which is going to be on the 22nd august and everyone should have a letter and consent form or will be getting one soon
On the 18th there will be a Local Democracy Week planning group meeting if you wish to attend please contact Catherine for more info

Item 4 - annual sitting

The people who attended the national sitting fed back to the group what happened, they told us that the arch bishop of Canterbury was there as well as the speaker of the House of Commons. They also mentioned how the entertainment at the annual sitting was very good such as the silent disco.

Item 5 - CAFÉ - YOF bid

As previously mentioned the YOF bid has been fully granted
The CAFÉ posters were discussed and some different slogans were suggested such as “wouldn't it be boring if we were all the same”
The group also liked the idea of having a white question mark inside the figure on the poster and people agreed the head would be a good place to put the question mark
The group discussed where the posters would be going and the feeling was that they should go into all schools and youth provisions (youth clubs etc)

Item 6 LDW + ' have your voice heard' event ideas

A performance outside county hall was discussed and the possibility of getting a stage- Catherine to look into restrictions there may be for this
George mentioned how he may possibly be able to get us a cheap stage as his dad is the caretaker of a school that hires out its stage
Hannah mentioned how it is usually around £5000 for a fully equipped stage for hire
The group discussed what stereotypes that we wanted to tackle and it was decided that we look at both the ones that are usually not focused on as much as well as tackling the main ones- traveller groups were suggested as one idea
An issue was raised about funding for the groups performing as it may be expensive for some of them to perform with transport etc and as it currently stands we don't have any funding to cover this- Catherine pointed out that the outside groups would have to fund their own performances
Was also raised that some groups may not want to come and perform because it may be difficult for them to get all of their equipment etc to Chelmsford especially bands and it was suggested we only let acoustic artists perform as this requires much less equipment
Catherine said she was going to look into council procedures on the usage of the space outside county hall and see what restrictions we may have as Hannah raised the point the council may only let us put on certain performances as some performances would need a licence
Catherine is also going to find out if we are allowed a stage etc for the event

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No issues were raised

Next subgroup meeting: 5th September (If other meetings are arranged before this, you will be contacted)