

UKYP Extra Subgroup meeting- Minutes.
Tuesday 27th October 2009.

Present:-

Ricci
Samuel
Fraser
Chanelle (Chair)
George

Apologies: Hannahh, Sam, Damon, Emma-Louise, Justin

Absent: Holli

1. Minutes of last meeting

All agreed and no issues raised.

2. Regional Residential Feedback

Samuel and Fraser as those present who attended the residential, fed back to the rest of the group about the regional residential at the beginning of the month in October. The weekend was good fun- attended Hertfordshire's Unity event for their cultural campaign. Can use ideas from this for our event- main thing that stood out was that there needs to be posters and information around to inform people what the event is all about, otherwise this is not clear.

Other news- PG elections took place and Sam B was elected as PG rep for the Eastern Region to start in February. Sam will be resigning, once this happens, Fraser would become Member and there would be a vacancy is Castle Point for a Deputy.

AP- Catherine to send out YEA calendar of events as some members have misplaced it.

3. House of Commons

Details for Friday were discussed with those attending the House of Commons. Ricci is to go up to London with Catherine on Thursday as well in order to do media training with the BBC.

4. CAFE Updates

Chanelle's school recently held a fiesta. Each group made a shoe and a hat to represent their different countries. They learnt about the different cultures in this way. Chanelle's group came 3rd!

All other MYP/DMYPs had no other updates.

5. Posters and Letter

Posters have now been agreed by the group. This just needs to go through internally at ECC to be approved and then can be sent out. The letter to go out with the posters was also finalised and will be sent to the designer to go out with posters.

AP- Catherine to find out if posters and letter are okay to be sent out to schools and to send the letter to the designer.

6. Partnership Working

Catherine fed back to the group about the Black History Month talk last week called 'Who Am I' which was all about cultural heritage and how this creates our identity. Also, how people judge you on a physical attribute rather than finding out about you first.

There is also a theatre production called 'Call Mr Robeson' at the Mercury Theatre in Colchester on Thursday evening 29th October, about a civil rights activist in America. Some of the group are attending this.

Prue Reynolds from ECC has been invited to attend the next subgroup meeting to discuss ideas on developing some kind of equality and diversity pledge for schools to sign up to.

AP- If you have any thoughts or ideas for this, please note them down and email to Catherine if you can't make the subgroup meeting on 7th November, or bring your points with you if you can.

AP- Catherine to look into the possibility of a trip to a cultural market to further raise the subgroup's own cultural awareness.

7. CAFE Event

Plans for the event were discussed in relation the Kayzar dance and the ideas that we came up with at the last subgroup meeting.

Sam's idea of naming the event 'CAFE- Food for thought?'- everyone liked this, however are unsure if this is already used for something else.

AP- Catherine to check on this.

Main ideas to incorporate into the event activities:-

- Cultural food stand- foods from different countries and the cultural cookbook
- Information stand for YEA/UKYP about who we are/what we do and what the campaign is all about
- Side workshop for street dance

Main Performance stage:-

- UKYP opening performance of street dance/ poetry/ any other 'art' form
- Invited youth groups to perform a prepared piece on theme of stereotypes/ cultural identity.

- Dance performance by Kayzar dance

Ideas for roles within the event:-

- Ricci and Emma Louise can sing.
- Ricci and George enjoy drama
- Emma-Louise, Fraser, Sam and George are happy to have a go at street dance
- Someone could be an MC for the event.

Those at the meeting agreed that any day in February half term would be fine except for the Friday. It would need to be a week day so that ECC staff and councillors could be invited.

AP- George to send recipes he has for the cookbook to Channelle

AP- Channelle to send cookbook so far to Catherine

AP- Ricci to find out the name of the group who do street performances who worked with the mercury theatre

AP- Catherine to email Kayzar dance to confirm what the group would like and to get a quote

8. AOB

None raised.

Next subgroup meeting: 7th November 2009