

East Hampshire Youth Council
6.30-8.45pm, 21st October 2010, EHDC, Petersfield

Minutes

Present:

Elyssia, Caspian, Hannah H., Hannah G., Heidi, Kirstie, Lisa, Harriet, Ellen, Vicky, Charlie, Esther, Lara, Ben

Items	Action
Icebreaker – 21 – Ben	
1. Apologies: Charleigh, Elin, Jake, Harry, Matthew, Lauren, Jo and Dani	
2. Election of vice chair – Dani was not present so Caspian was elected as vice chair to chair this meeting.	
3. Welcome, introductions and aim of meeting – Caspian welcomed everyone, and read the aims of the meeting.	
4. Election of other roles – Harriet was elected Secretary, Ellen was elected PR Officer, Lisa and Kirstie were elected Webmasters and Hannah G. and Heidi were elected Community Safety Link Officers.	
5. Agree minutes of last meeting - Agreed	
6. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting – None	
7. Events/meetings feedback: Feedback from the school banners were that it was good involving school councils, but more work should have been put into it, and more should be done in schools during Democracy Week.	
<p>8. Leisure card and jobs for young people in EH–The following ideas were discussed:</p> <p>Leisure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Becoming more involved with sports and healthy eating - Promoting gyms in the area – using the EHYC website - Student/group discounts for gyms - Taking students out of school for a day to go to a gym - <u>Youth Olympics</u> – interschool sports day – independent, neutral location, sponsors <p>Jobs and apprenticeships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete list of volunteering activities and sites on our website to help people get more involved - Rewards for volunteering – incentive scheme - Problems with unemployment – an advice page on our website - Producing another DVD about jobs – youtube - Helping people get jobs /work experience/ writing cv's - Having employers post possible jobs on our website / link from website - Careers conferences 	
9. Break	
<p>10. Youth Council Feedback: It was generally agreed that as a youth council, we should be doing more</p>	

<p>and have set goals which we then achieve. The following questions were asked to get an idea of how each of us present felt about the youth council: What do you like about the youth council? - Having a say / one voice - Creative thinking - Youth involvement - Getting together as a group - Growing in confidence - The fun parts (youth quiz, pizza hut, minibus rides, residential)</p> <p>What have you liked least about being on the youth council? - Lack of control - Domination by certain people - Not having pizza - Time consuming - Lack of equal opportunities - Not everyone gets a chance to talk - Lack of direction and focus</p> <p>How could we improve the youth council? - More selection of food - Getting more involved with local activities - Achieving more - More focus and structure - More work in sub-groups - More team-building activities to prevent 'divides' in the group</p> <p>What would you like the Youth Council to do in the future? - Joining the youth council with school councils - Fund-raising for the youth council - Targeted meetings (aims, objectives etc) - More youth council evaluations - Include pizza in the food for the meetings</p>	
<p>11. Dates for your diaries and volunteers. – Group referred to list and confirmed.</p>	
<p>12. AOB – Some of the group felt that certain individuals have not attended as many meetings as they should, where a discussion followed over whether these people are still part of the youth council or not.</p>	<p>Lara to check the constitution. People will be asked about their future on YC</p>
<p>13. Next meeting – EHYC (CAT Mark assessment), 6.30-8.45pm, Thursday 18th November, EHDC, Petersfield</p>	