

Young Peoples Shadow Executive Meeting
Minutes 20th April 2007

Chair: Alex

Minutes: Elly

Present: Olivia, Neal, Jennie, Sophie, Laura, Antony, Kate, Matt, Elly, Alex, Rahila.

1. Welcome from Chair
 - Apologies: None
 - Application from JLL (Sophie is concerned).
2. Positive stories:
 - Jenny: went to France
 - Olivia: got a great mark
 - Neil: spent four days with Rahila
 - Sophie: saw friends, watched Mr Bean
 - Laura: spent 4 days with Rahila
 - Kate: said sheep aren't dead
 - Zaena: nice to see everyone
 - Alex: Short listed to be head boy
 - Antony: Got a job with National Youth Agency. Beat lots of applicants.
 - Rahila: Reclaimed garden, planted seeds.
3. YOF
 - Devon won national competition!
 - Yo2 group own £35,000
4. Minutes of last meeting
 - Will be available next week.
 - Action point: see those next week.
5. YOF Application
 - Youth opportunities and refunds have been dealt with by the YPST
 - This year each 6 parts of Devon will have their own pot with one central pot.
 - Ask for £1000 so that the central group can be run effectively
 - Also that general multi agree event can be supported properly instead of draining resources of one group.
6. Livy myspace
 - Livy has set up UKYP/YPSE and YPSE pages
 - Needs sections about us so YPSE need to send individual photographs and small comment
 - Action Point: Email photo and small section about ourselves.
 - Do we like it: there is a forum on the UKYP Devon website. How do we want it to be?
 - Done information during session.
7. Rob Hooper came in to see us
 - Committee and members service manager (looks after councillors)
 - came along to talk about member champions
 - (County Councillor)
 - Previous was Rob Hannaford who has too many commitments to properly commit time to YP.
 - Council will re-appoint in May, perhaps YP could be involved.
 - It is unlikely that involvement could achieve much if involved in selection process.
 - Perhaps: meet champion, have commitment pledges etc attendance at Kongomana.
 - Made point about future of selection to executive.
 - We devised a statement presented to Rob to take no selection.
8. Shadow Executive Roles with Neal.
 - Neal went through set up of executives and explored idea of having shadowing committees made up of YPSE members.
 - Names taken for each.

Children and UP: Laura and Livy
Environment: Jenny and Kate
Economic Regeneration, regional planning: Alex (Noal)
Culture: Sophie, Antony
Policy and Resources: Neal (Matt)
Adult Services: Elly
ICT: Livy (Kate)
Communities: Matt

- Now: need to start meeting with people
- Perhaps meet and greet in May, invite these people.
- Research individually. Look at Devon.gov.uk. Look at our areas and what is going on.
- List a range of things that are currently going on.

9. Work on themes for this year:

- We split into groups to discuss business plants in accordance with new roles discussed in section 8.
- Groups as follows (think about realistic things that need changing and what needs to happen.
- Sport activities
- Youth clubs
- Food (schools)
- Transport

10. Onwards is joining agenda with UKYP

- Merchandising: what do we want with YOF money?
- Decide on variety of ideas brainstormed (see attachment)
- prioritised:
 1. Playing cards
 2. Car sticker
 3. Stickers
 4. Post its
 5. Squashy people
- look at prices, availability, colour, order time etc.
- Website: Spoke about two separate or one main one with a link.
- voted: unanimous on one big one
- name: YPSE's funding so they will decide etc and come back to us

11. Accreditation

- it means the recognition of achievements
- within UKYP opportunity exists for accreditation
- Devon Award: Short piece of work (6 months) shows level of commitment
- Duke of Edinburgh: 4 sections:
 1. Physical Recreation
 2. Skill
 3. Service
 4. Expedition
- one hour a week on each
- Big Boost: very short pieces of work. Very useful for ROA, quick, everyone will be put forward.

12. Meet and Greet.

- An opportunity to meet important adults for lunch. They get to know us, we get to know them. Adults include youth champions (officers), new youth champions, MP's, Councillors (our own local ones, not constituencies, areas of our schools) and press.
- Date: 30th May
- AP: Discuss with higher authority appropriate people to invite
- construct email, letter to send out in session. Letter attached.

13. Kongomana

- Date 13th-15th July.
- Perhaps YPSF members will come to make up numbers, providing a maximum skill bank.
- We looked at Kongomana pamphlet

-start soon to look at what we will do at Kongomana. Very fun work doing very creative things. Get prizes to entice people in. Question time.

14. AOB

-Shadow roles: Worth sending emails to executive members about early point of contact. Rahila will do.

-Badges: on their way

-YPSE info: needs to be in by 27th April

UKYP: website, needs their photos and information. Due on 27th April.

-Feed back Rob Hoopers visit to UKYP Devon.

Dear

We would like to formally invite you to a '**Meet and Greet**' with members of the UK Youth Parliament Devon Team and the Young Peoples Shadow Executive. This will be an opportunity for you to meet us and for us to meet you, allowing us both to understand the roles of one another.

We have invited Executive Members, Youth Champions and County Councillors who represent our local areas.

This event will take place on the 30th May 2007 starting at 12:00 and finishing by 2:00 in room The Antechamber, County Hall, Exeter.