

## **Minutes of the Yorke Region Employment and Skills Formation Network Executive meeting held on Tuesday 22 January 2008.**

**Venue:** Yorke Regional Development Board, 51 Robert Street, Maitland

**Meeting Commencement Time:** 2:10pm

### **Present:**

Rosemary Goode, Futures Connect Transition Broker, DECS (Chair)  
Bridget Sara, Economic Development Officer/ SA Works, YRDB  
John May, SA Works Coordinator – Yorke and Mid North, DEFEST  
Peter Stockings, Economic Development Officer, YRDB  
Diane Gameau, Regional Migration Officer/Economic Development Support, YRDB  
(minutes)

### **Apologies:**

Carol Mitic, Senior Project Officer, DEFEST Adelaide

### **1. Welcome**

The Chair, Rosemary Goode welcomed all present.

### **2. Minutes from the last Executive Meeting held on 1 November 2007**

*Motion: That the minutes from the November 1<sup>st</sup> 2007 meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record.*

*Moved: John May*

*Seconded: Bridget Sara*

Carried

#### a) Yorke Careers Group sub-committee

Bridget Sara advised that the School and Industry Leaders Forums application is in Canberra awaiting approval. The next Yorke Careers Group sub-committee meeting will be held once notification of the grant has been received.

#### b) Indigenous Project

Peter has met with Julie Johnson at Point Pearce in regard to a possible project within the community. Looking at a project to engage 16-26 year olds who are currently out of work with the aim to re-engage them into employment.

No specific program as yet, should have a better idea by the end of February 2008 after further discussions. Program will use up the remainder of the allocated 07/08 budget, \$35000 has been allocated.

Program needs to be scheduled around the lifestyle of the targeted group for example only a few hours a day and needs to be managed by an outside Project Manager to increase the chance of success of the program. A drug and alcohol program is to be re-assessed also.

### **ACTIONS:**

- Peter Stockings and Rosemary Goode to meet with School Principals to gauge interest and commitment in the project.

- Rosemary Goode made mention of a program currently running in Mt Gambier called ICAN. Rosemary will do some research into this program to ascertain if a similar program may suit this region.
- The Boystown organization was discussed and thought to be of possible benefit to a program within the region, possible programs could include the maintenance of Trust homes. John May will approach Boystown to seek further information and report back to the next meeting.

c) Multicultural Forum

A Multicultural Forum is being held by the Wakefield Spoke group on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2008 and will be held in Port Wakefield.

d) Allocation of 2007/08 funds

Funds will be finalised at the end of February 2008.

**3. Minutes of Network Meeting held 12 December 2007**

a) Forum Topics

The Wakefield Spoke group is currently researching a possible Youth Program to feature at a future Forum.

b) Yorke Careers Group sub-committee

see 2.a

c) Role of the Network

This topic is to be discussed and approved at the next Network meeting.

d) YP Work to Work Funding

Currently there are 111 participants in the Work to Work program, which is very close to the target of 115 participants. Deadline for use of the funding is 30 June 2008.

**4. 2008/09 Planning**

Refer to handout supplied by John May of the agenda for the next ESF Network meeting on 20 February 2008. John has designed the meeting as a brainstorming session with plenty of time to discuss any issues and opportunities for the 08/09 program.

**5. Update of 2006/07 and 2007/08 Projects**

Projects seem to be running smoothly.

**6. Media promotion of Yorke ESF Network**

Bridget reported to the group that she had been in contact with Jenny Oldland who is a journalist with the Yorke Peninsula Country Times. Opportunities to promote the ESF Network within the paper were discussed and Jenny would be happy to feature articles and 'good news' stories from the ESF Network.

**7. Any other Business**

None

**8. Next Meeting**

25<sup>th</sup> March 2008 – 2:00pm, Balaklava

Future meetings for 2008 were decided:

27<sup>th</sup> May 2008 – 2:00pm, Balaklava

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2008 – 2:00pm, Balaklava

23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2008 – 2:00pm, Balaklava

25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008 – 2:00pm, Balaklava

**9. Close**

Meeting closed at 3:15pm