

**MEETING MINUTES:** CELEBRATE CULTURE KWINANA  
**DATE:** MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018  
**TIME:** 5.30PM - 7PM  
**VENUE:** DARIUS WELLS

**Attended:** Jasmine, Caroline, Jacob, Keth, Lynn, Jeny, Debora, Nicole A, Nicole H

**Apologies:** Bobby, Chris

## NEWS

### What's happened/What's changed

**Nicole summarised the evaluation report that Sharlene produced to the group, see below:**

- Celebrate Culture Event 'That was my home, my heartland' celebrating Aboriginal culture was held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September this was a huge success: -
  - 59 members of the community attended;
  - The atmosphere was very energetic, fun and positive;
  - Many people represented a social sector organisation, some working and living locally (eg Red Cross, TSF, Ngala, Bright Futures, City of Kwinana, Palmerton, Mooditj Koort;
  - A mix of people from different cultures attended (Aboriginal, Australian, Chinese, Indian, Sudanese, and Philippines).
- Celebrate Culture event – what can we improve on/what didn't go to plan on the night? -
  - Marketing and promotion of the event to attract the primary target audience (vulnerable families with young children, those who are socially isolated, those who would benefit from social connections and participation);
  - Each action team member could 'bring a friend';
  - More confidence in use of technology will help with more seamless transition between activities;
  - Feedback tables were not used (position was not ideal and too formal for the occasion).
- Celebrate Culture event – what community thought?
  - It is great to have something different for the kids;
  - We saw the flyer and thought it would be good to come down;
  - I am just here to see what it is all about;
  - I have not spoken to any-one I did not already know;
  - A mix of cultures in the one workshop would have been better;
  - I am hoping to find out who are the local elders;
  - We are interested to hearing Ros's story. (nb: Mrs Indich was unable to attend);
  - The Charnook story was difficult to understand;
  - Painting is fun and relaxing. It is easy to talk to people doing this;
  - I could feel the positive energy coming through me in this dance;
  - We all need to learn about our past;
- Celebrate Culture event – what the celebrate culture team thought of the event?
  - Action team members had immense success as a group in bringing this event and came

- closer together with this success;
- There was recognition of the effort and pride from all involved – presenters, cooks, artists, organisers;
- Most participants believe that the project has contributed to increased cohesion (togetherness/tolerance), reducing social isolation;
- Most participants feel more connected and a sense of belonging due to their involvement in the project;
- Nicole met with Julia from the Marketplace they are happy to display artwork from the Cultural events, the artwork will be located outside Coles on the white wall. This area can also be used to promote future events. In the next few weeks Nicole will arrange to meet the manager of Coles and ask if they would be willing to donate food etc. for our cultural cooking classes and activities.
- Nicole has submitted a funding application today for \$5000, this money will be used for the next two cultural events.
- Paint Kwinana RED was cancelled, so unfortunately Lynn did not have the opportunity to tell her story.
- Aboriginal Cultural Cooking class was held on 4<sup>th</sup> October at Calista Child and Parent Centre this was well attended and enjoyed by the local community. Lynn told the children the story of the Charnook women, then all participated in artwork representing the story. After the story and artwork Lynn taught some noongar words and all got involved with Lynn's guidance making kangaroo burgers and damper, the food was delicious and enjoyed by all. This cultural cooking class has received lots of positive feedback from all who attended.
- Unfortunately, some of Fiona's (Wizard Entertainment) valuable equipment was stolen from outside the Medina hall on the night of the cultural event. This was report to police at the time but none of the equipment has been recovered. This is something to consider for future events, all are to be more security wise, do not leave anything unattended, lock doors when inside the building when setting up and report anything or anybody suspicious to the group leader. Should we consider having security for the next event? Unfortunately, the Medina Hall doesn't have any security cameras outside, Caroline will investigate if the Medina Hall is included in the City's security rollout and if so, when will they be fitted?
- The 'That was my home, my heartland' event celebrating the Aboriginal Cultural had a write up in the Sound Telegraph. Please visit the Celebrate Culture Kwinana facebook page to have a read;
- Facebook Page – please can all join and invite other contacts to like our page – Celebrate Culture Kwinana. To find the page go onto the Connecting Communities for Kids facebook page, click on groups then click on Celebrate Culture Kwinana and like the page. Any problems just contact Wendy.

## PROGRESS

### ALL

- What can we do differently/suggestions for next event -?
  - Hold in term time – trial a Saturday – end of November – try for Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 1pm-3pm.
  - Have the welcome table manned outside the door, that way we can welcome guests before they enter the hall;
  - A printed program to be given to all when entering the reception;
  - Facebook live before the event and during;
  - Encourage all action team members to bring a friend;
  - Condense the event to two hours, many felt 3 hours was too long;
  - Hold all events in the one venue - Medina Hall- this way we are familiar with the computer, projector, layout of the hall and kitchen for catering purposes;



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- Encourage more services to get involved;

## NEW IDEAS

### Upcoming events requiring discussion and planning

- Children's Week starts on 22nd October 2018, the group have been invited to Storytime at the Kwinana Marketplace on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 at 10.30am to tell a children's cultural story. Debora has kindly agreed to do this with assistance from Keth, thanks ladies.
- Sudanese Culture Event
  - The date for the next cultural event is proposed for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 1pm-3pm at the Medina hall. Caroline will check if a prior group can move times on that date to facilitate our event.
  - Sudanese event will include – cultural food tasting, Lwor dance, traditional costumes, artwork including the cow, basket weaving etc;
  - Nicole will invite the Sudanese culture along to the next event, Keth and Debora will extend an invite to Nicole to attend one of their social get togethers.
  - Advertising of the event will be on CCK facebook page, Celebrate Cultural Kwinana group, CCK website, CoK, daycare centres, churches, schools, aquatic centre etc;
  - A3 size posters to promote the event in visible community spaces;
  - Flyer to be produced and sent to Justine for publishing; All are to promote the flyer through social media and groups;
  - Wendy will share the flyer to all action teams, on facebook and social media sites;
  - Peter Carnley School are still interested in helping with future events, Nicole will meet with Rebecca to discuss on how the volunteers can help with the event. Suggestions were summarising what they have learnt during the process, help to produce the newsletter, set up pack up at the event, welcome guests etc;
  - Cultural cooking class worked well during the school holidays, so it was suggested to hold the Sudanese cultural cooking class during the January break at the Calista Child and Parent Centre. Nicole to speak with Anne at Calista to establish possible dates.

## TO DO/FOR ACTION

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	BY WHEN
Coles to be contacted regarding donating food for the cultural cooking events	Nicole	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Security cameras for the Medina Hall, are they going to be included in the rollout and if so when?	Caroline	27 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Check for availability of venue for the Sudanese event	Caroline	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Nicole to invite the Sudanese culture to attend the cultural event. Debora and Keth to let Nicole know when they are next meeting up as a group	Nicole/Keth/ Debora	27 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Flyer to be devised and published. Nicole to inform Justine of dates and info	Nicole	22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct
Flyer to be shared by Wendy on social media sites and action teams	Wendy	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Nicole to meet with Rebecca (Perter Carnley School) to discuss what the volunteers can do to help the project	Nicole	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Cultural Cooking class, Nicole is to liaise with Anne CPC to see what dates are available	Nicole	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct

**Next Meeting- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

**Time: 5.30pm-7.00pm**

**Venue: Darius Wells**

**Please RSVP to attend**

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