**Minutes Senior Phase Network Sub group A**

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| Date31st March 2011 | Start Time: 3.30pm  |
| Venue: St Columbans College  | Chair Person: Kate Ruddy  |
| Attendees: Kate Ruddy, Jason Proctor, Mandy Bullock, Tom McCue  |
| Apologies: Sally Crothers, Sheryl Gregory Kerrie Holzwart, Kirk Spinks  |
| Minute Taker: Tom |

**Agenda: Cert IV Career Development:** Papers were tabled from Kerrie Holzwart and Kirk Spinks re the requirements of EQ for Cert IV in Career Development and the Units and costs for Axiom to deliver the course under varying conditions.

Discussion was minimal because of the large absence rate at this meeting.

**Tom to send info out to all sub group members with the minutes.**

**Guest Speaker** Jason Carr. Regional Indigenous co-ordinator. North Coast.

Jason led a discussion based on arranging a vocational 3 day camp for indigenous youth at Mudjimba in October this year. There was a similar one on the Gold Coast last year and Jason feels we could easily replicate it in our region. The feeling of the meeting was that there was solid interest in such a project. PCYC could be involved and the Former Origin Greats could be contacted for mentoring and support for the camp. Some funding would be required and Rugby or League clubs could be approached to assist with this.

**It was decided to float this idea across all of the SPN group and assess the degree of interest and feed back to Jason via QYIL.** (Kate, are you able to construct an email about this that I could send around the SPN distribution list?)

Jason also spoke about a range of programs including the P plate program and a new web portal which Jason will publicise to members following the launch. We will offer the QYIL forum in June as the place for Jason to publicize the website.

The group requested Jason’s email. It is [jason.B.CARR@deta.qld.gov.au](jason.B.CARR%40deta.qld.gov.au)

Kate reported on the St Columbans-CBEC partnership which involves a school to work mentoring program for vocational students and Mandy Bullock indicated an interest in it also. It is hoped to roll it out across the region when the current pilot has had the bugs ironed out.

Thanks to Jason for his attendance and input and his offer of programs to assist Indigenous school leavers.

Thanks also to Kerrie and Kirk who completed our valuable research, and to Kate for her leadership and hospitality at the meeting.

Meeting closed 4.45pm.

 Tom McCue

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