



**QUALITY
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**Quality LinCS/DECS Inner South
Targeted Intervention Action Team**
Wednesday August 15th
4.15pm till 5.30pm
Urrbrae Skills Centre

MINUTES

Present: Leonie Challans, Cathryn Herbert, Gabi Hirsch – Brown, Liz Burbrook, Jane Mills, Sue Sutton, Peter Leolkes, Vas Dolman, Bette Pontikinas, Glenda Samuel, Taissa Ceric, Dian Naraniecki.

1. WELCOME

1.1 Apologies – Jenny Boisvert, Glennis Warrior, Lori Hocking, Kathleen Scott and Cathy Roche.

1.2 Accept the minutes from the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.
Moved: Vas Dolman
Seconded: Jane Mills

1.3 Business Arising. (Added to the agenda)

Yr. 12 curriculum for SWD. Vas expressed concern about the new DECS post compulsory framework and urged others to raise this as an issue.

2. GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 Career Systems – *Melanie Bennett*

Melanie explained the range of services which Career Systems provides. Some of these are:

JPET

A Disability Employment Network – a generalist provider (all disabilities).

CS provides;

Prevocational skills, promotes independence, support young people initially in open employment.

CS place people in retail, manufacturing, law firms, admin. amongst others.

Melanie emphasised that the process is a more effective if the students are identified in their last 6 months of schooling.

Although they do not provide training (such as Ls), as they have in the past, they are looking at how they can do this in the future.

Melanie or others from CS are available to schools.

ACTION: Melanie agreed to send Peter a list of employers who would consider taking on SWD.

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 Quality LinCS Webpage – www.qualitylincs.com.au – *Peter Leolkes*

Peter showed the QL web page. Needs to be useful to schools and up to date.

ACTION: Forward any comments or suggestions for improvements to Peter.

3.2 Community Benefit Grant – *All*

A discussion about what programs or initiatives could be funded by the Community Benefit Grant with the target group being people with disabilities in our schools (and their families).

Some of the suggestions were:

- Access to Phoenix society programs
- Socialization programs for young people with Asbergers.
- Community access programs

- Training volunteers
- Out of term time programs – at end of year.
- Information sessions for parents of children with disabilities.
- Liesure activities
- Training of peers (volunteers). Older students.
- Bus maintenance costs for Pasadena unit.
- QL to coordinate a series of regional events, programs to meet different needs of yp with disabs, their parents and people who work with them.

Call for anyone interested/able to meet next week to contribute to submission.

ACTION: Peter to email grant forms out. TIAT members to email back their ideas by Wednesday.

Lori and Peter to meet with Vas on Wednesday 1:00pm at Pasadena to put these together.

3.3 Adopt a School Projects - All

The idea of Adopt a School was explained and the intended link with Minda Inc. Suggestion that it would be worth exploring possible links with The Repat. Hospital, given the much wider range of occupations compared to Minda and it's proximity to more of our schools.

ACTION: Vas to provide contact name of ex QL board member who worked at Repat.Hospital

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 Professional Development available:

Peter flagged two PD opportunities and asked members to register if interested.

1. ACDS2 Training:
2. Workplace Assessment Training

4.2 Questionnaire was completed by DECS schools to provide data for Glennis in regards to the progress in schools of the DECS DECS Aboriginal Strategy.

Meeting closed at 5.20pm.