



**MORAWA SINOSTEEL FUTURE FUND
COMMITTEE**

**CIRCULAR RESOLUTION
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Item 1 Reports of Committee**1.1 Round 2 2020/21 Applications: MSFFG21 MDHS Early Childhood Committee**

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OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COMMITTEE RESOLUTION (via Circular Resolution)

That the Committee fund the MDHS Early Childhood Committee's grant request for Installation of a Nature Playground at the Kindy/Pre-Primary building project: at a cost of \$5,950.

CARRIED BY SIMPLE MAJORITY 4/0

PURPOSE

At the previous committee meeting on the 8 April 2021, The Morawa Sinosteel Future Fund Grant Committee reviewed the Early Childhood Committee's funding application and provided their grant recommendations to the Shire of Morawa Council.

Resolution 210419 of the 29 April 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting endorsed the Committee's recommendation as follows:

Deferred until further clarification and information has been received on the estimated costs to deliver the project i.e. quotes.

The Early Childhood Committee (ECC) was requested to provide more information regarding the costs of their project, and the officer is presenting their response to the Committee.

DETAIL

In their original application, the ECC provided two quotes for playground equipment in their application, one from Forpark Australia totalling \$19,000, and the other from Nature Playgrounds. Although they chose the quote from Nature Playgrounds for \$10,985, the figures from their grant application in the Total Income table and Total Expenditure table did not match \$10,985. So the CDO asked the ECC for further clarification on their whole project.

The following is a summary of the financials to install a new nature playground at the Pre-Primary and Kindergarten classroom at Morawa District High School.

Table 1:

Nature Playground Project			
Income	\$	Expenditure	\$
CBH Grant (approved)	\$ 5,000.00	Nature Playground: play equipment	\$ 10,985.00
P&C Committee contribution	\$ 2,000.00	Reinforced Concrete Pipes: Tunnel	\$ 1,534.50
Sinosteel Grant	\$ 5,950.00	Creative Play: Car	\$ 2,981.00
ECC contribution	\$ 2,550.50	Volunteer labour	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 15,500.50	Total Expenditure	\$ 15,500.50

Income column:

The ECC applied for \$7,000 through CBH Grass Roots grants, and \$8,500.50 through the Sinosteel Future Fund grants, for a total project of \$15,500.50.

They ended up being successful for \$5,000 grant funding through CBH. The MDHS Parents & Citizens committee has committed \$2,000 of COVID-19 funding to the playground project as per the letter of support in the original application.

The remaining \$8,500.50 applied for through the Sinosteel Future Fund is still required to complete the whole project where the Early Childhood Committee's own contribution remains \$2,550.50 and the Shire's contribution is as per the original application of \$5,950.

Expenditure column:

There are two other pieces of equipment that were unfortunately not included in the grant application for two reasons. (1) The ECC applied for these items through the CBH grant initially, and (2) the ECC could not find a second quote for the same equipment to be included in the Sinosteel Future Fund Application, therefore these pieces of equipment would not be meeting the MSFFG guidelines. The ECC suggest in further email correspondence, that this other equipment was applied for as part of the CBH Grant. The quotes have now been provided for the other equipment and can be found in the attachments.

As you can see in Table 1, the costs to deliver the whole project have been clarified with this additional information.

As further clarification, the President of the ECC has written a letter to the Committee, which is provided in attachments.

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

Low impact - Funds are available in the Morawa Sinosteel Future Fund Account ready for distribution in alignment with the 'Deed of Agreement for Future Fund'.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with applicant.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Morawa Sinosteel Future Fund Deed of Agreement
Shire of Morawa Purchasing Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

There are insufficient funds in the annual allocation of interest earnings from the Future Fund to fund all recommended projects in this funding round. Additional funding from the Future Fund Interest Reserve Account will be required to cover these grant requests.

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Along with receipt of a completed funding agreement, this reasonably suggests that these applications would be low risk.

CONCLUSION

That the Committee fund the MDHS Early Childhood Committee's grant request for Installation of a Nature Playground at the Kindy/Pre-Primary building project: at a cost of \$5,950.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Morawa Early Childhood Committee Letter
Attachment 2 - Additional Quote from Reinforced Concrete Pipes Australia
Attachment 3 - Additional Quote from Creative Play Australia

Attachment 1 - Morawa Early Childhood Committee Letter

12th June 2021

Dear Karen, Scott and Sinosteel Future Fund Grant Committee,

On behalf of the Morawa District High School Early Childhood Committee, I am providing further information as requested by you for our Sinosteel Future Fund Grant application.

There are two points that I understand that you need clarification on. I gathered two quotes for this project, following the protocol of the application. There are very limited suppliers of nature-based playgrounds so it made the quoting of two similar playgrounds extremely difficult. Out of the few suppliers, the majority would only go through a process of travelling up (which most wouldn't do) and designing the playground themselves which on a rough verbal quote was going to be too far out of our budget. Therefore, I quoted Nature Playgrounds who are a very reputable company that are very reasonably priced. Because they are the only company that could quote this type of equipment, I had to find a playground manufacturer (Forpark Australia) who had similar equipment, some nature based and some not, to gain our second quote. We have no intention of going with Forpark as it is not the equipment we are wanting, but for the purpose of getting the two quotes required I had to use them. We will be ordering our equipment through Nature Playgrounds.

Secondly, I have clearly stated the costs that will be involved in this project. We have fairly split the cost of our project between two different grant applications as we are not financial enough to put in the 30% if we applied for the entire amount through the Sinosteel grant. Therefore we have applied for \$8000 from the Sinosteel fund, 70% or \$5950 from the grant and 30% or \$2550 from our committee. Then in the quote I also included labour, which is obviously going to be volunteered time from committee members and not an actual paid figure. There will be multiple busy bees carried out by our committee to remove old equipment and install new equipment.

I hope this has cleared any confusion around our application. If you have any more questions, please don't hesitate to contact me as soon as possible. We have started the process of organising busy bees and ordering equipment and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind Regards,

Jasmin Collins

President of MDHS ECC



QUOTE

Morawa District high School

Date
18 Feb 2021

Expiry
28 Feb 2021

Quote Number
QU-0096

ABN
86 636 042 996

Creative Play Australia Pty
Ltd
3/6 Crowley St
PORT KENNEDY WA
6172
AUSTRALIA

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
Car- Wooden seats	1.00	2,600.00	10%	2,600.00
Steering Wheel	1.00	110.00	10%	110.00
			Subtotal	2,710.00
			TOTAL GST 10%	271.00
			TOTAL AUD	2,981.00

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Should quantities vary from those quoted, prices may have to be reconsidered.

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