

## **Nelson**

Those who attended agreed

- That there was real value to having the LOAD meetings not found at other meetings– the focus on AOD, the opportunity to gather and share AOD/MH information in such a wide group of organizations, and other sectors.
- It was noted that the lose of LOAD now was unfortunate timing with both the reviews of MoDA and Alcohol and Addiction Act both requiring community feedback over the next year.
- Although attendees met in various different groups the LOAD was the only one with an AOD focus in relation to other issues; eg keeping up with what other treatment services, public health, social and community service and sectors news were doing re aod
- those who attended wanted to make sure the meetings continued with an aod focus and suggested that future meetings might 'piggy back' on another meeting such as the Community and Whanau Group MH or the MAD group.

Funding was discussed

- It was noted that a small amount of funding may be available from ALAC but that would have to applied for through Jim Hauraki in Christchurch.

Who would hold the data-base/contact list was discussed

- It was agreed that the data base would be sent to Phil Townsend Problem Gambling and information about the next meeting could be forwarded via the mailing list

Who would be responsible for organizing and leading (the next) meetings

- It was agreed that the responsibility for organizing and hosting the meetings could be rotated or shared around those organizations and services who where able to do this. Who ever held the list would take the lead to get it started.

Administration – it was suggested

- Agendas and meeting information would be prepared by the organization responsible for the meeting would prepare the notices etc and forward them to the group holding the data base to send out;
- an attendance list should be taken at the meetings and the organization arranging the meeting would add or make change information available to who held the data base so it could be updated.