



York Region Presidents' Council

Meeting # 12

Wednesday, March 8th, 2006 @ R.H.H.S.

Minutes Compiled by Matthew Colphon – Minister of Records

Schools represented: Aurora H.S.; Dr. J.M. Denison S.S.; Emily Carr S.S.; King City S.S.; Langstaff S.S.; Markham D.H.S.; Middlefield C.I.; Newmarket H.S.; Pierre Elliott Trudeau H.S.; Richmond Hill H.S.; Sir William Mulock S.S.; Thornlea S.S.; Unionville H.S.; Vaughan S.S.; Westmount C.I.

1) Sharing

Aurora H.S.

- Held their monthly inflatable event with the Gladiator game from Airbounce
- “A night at the Roxbury” theme dance will be held on March 23
- Aurora Idol will be held sometime in April

Dr. J.M. Denison S.S.

- Hosted a fifth period buy out for hypnotist Blair Robertson. The buy out attracted close to 400 people at \$5 per ticket. Feedback from students on the performance was excellent. Blair Robertson can be contacted at 1-800-467-6906 or online at <http://www.blairrobertson.com/>.

Emily Carr S.S.

- Music and Bingo weeks are upcoming

King City S.S.

- Student empowerment conference to be held soon
- Beach day was held March 9
- Black history month activities were successful
- Talent show to be held April 12
- Flash Back week, featuring a theme day for each decade from the 1950's-1980's, is to be held in the week succeeding the March Break
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving will be presenting on April 4
- March 30 is the spring sports Pep Rally

Langstaff S.S.

- Held the Winter Wonderland Semi Formal attracting about 170 people
- Have rented the wave pool and a local rink for their two period skate or swim buy out after the break
- Will be holding the Rent-a-Chair soon, where a lazy boy recliner is raffled off and the winner is carried with the chair to their classes for the day before taking the chair home.

-Thick Thursday to be held March 9, where the school's staff is to be appreciated with copious amounts of chocolate

Markham D.H.S.

- Held a battle of the bands attracting around 200 people
- Heart and Stroke foundation canvassing night raised in excess of \$7,200
- Held the Free the Children Vow of Silence on March 1 to promote awareness of children's issues in third world nations

Middlefield C.I.

- Mosaic Cultural festival/talent show sold out
- Planning an "Insomnia" night (in school sleepover) to take place later this year in support for the Hospital for Sick Children
- Will be holding a spirit week and a grade eight conference in the near future
- Women Offering Wisdom conference will be held May 5-7

Newmarket H.S.

- Will be hosting their no charge, spirit raising Newmarket Idol in the near future

Pierre Elliott Trudeau H.S.

- Will be holding a Spirit Week full of activities such as limbo, twin day, three-legged-race, crazy attire day, lei game day, the Teddy Bear Walk, and Random games day

Richmond Hill H.S.

- Held a coffee house style music night two weeks ago
- March Madness spirit day to be held March 9

Sir William Mulock S.S.

- Held a Spirit Week of themed days including Beach, Olympic, Pajama, Celebrity and School Colour days
- Held a free movie night showing Big Daddy to raise spirit
- Held the Free the Children Vow of silence, but found it hard to attract participants

Vaughan S.S.

- Semi formal is scheduled for March, but ticket sales are very slow, which could result in cancellation
- Held a Black History Month Assembly
- International week, featuring many cultural performances, will be hosted soon

Thornlea S.S.

- Held Hip Hop Away From Violence (HHAFV) last week. The event was generally successful despite a few bad and disrespectful performers.
- Held the Free the Children Vow of Silence.

- Clothing drive is upcoming
- Received a suggestion that their council start inter-council games that used to exist to promote unity between schools (for example, by having pick up dodge ball or floor hockey games between student councils)

Unionville H.S.

- Hosted the Mothers Against Drunk Driving presentation, which went very well
- Held a buy out for their boys hockey play-off game
- Hosted Semi formal on March 3 at The Crystal Fountain banquet hall attracting over 450 students. Despite the good turnout, they recommend not allowing grade 12s to come to Semi because they tend to create problems

Westmount C.I.

- Held a blood donation clinic last week with almost 100 students willing to give blood
- Westmont's school leadership conference, Keys 2006, will be held 2 weeks after March break
- Battle of the Bands will be held on April 6

2) Student Trustee Report

This meeting's topic of focus was pricing in cafeterias. It has come to the Student Trustee's attention that some school's may have their cafeteria prices set higher, reflecting the financial demographic of the area. Currently, this is only a claim, so to investigate further, Student Trustee Husein Panju asks that representatives from each school find the price of five basic items in their cafeterias.

- 591 ml bottle of Pepsi
- small fries
- regular hamburger
- Jamaican beef patty
- small soup

Once you have found the prices of these items, please email Mr. Panju at husein.panju@yrdsb.edu.on.ca

As a note, the day of this meeting, March 8, was International Women's Day.

The next meeting will be held on the first Wednesday after March Break, which is March 22. Happy Holidays to every one going away, and a restful week to those staying in town.