



## York Region Presidents' Council

### **Meeting # 16**

**Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 @ R.H.H.S.**

*Minutes Compiled by Matthew Colphon – Minister of Records*

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Schools represented: Aurora H.S.; Bayview S.S.; Emily Carr S.S.; Langstaff S.S.; Maple H.S.; Markham D.H.S.; Markville S.S.; Pierre Elliot Trudeau H.S.; Richmond Hill H.S.; Sutton D.H.S.; Thornlea S.S.; Unionville H.S.; Vaughan S.S.; Westmount C.I.; Woodbridge College.

#### 1) *Constitution Update*

The new YRPC constitution has been accepted by executive council.

#### 2) *Conference Review*

The following opinions were offered in review of YRPC's "Remix 2006" leadership conference:

- There was a lot of time to meet new people.
- We need to get all 29 (30) schools into conference next year since we only got 18 this year.
- The hypnotist performance should be on the second night so as not to interfere with the self awareness session.
- The security activity should be on the first full day to give groups a chance to bond in a fun and casual way.
- More tracking sheets should be provided for the security activity so that groups don't have single leaders, but rather full team involvement.
- The lei game should be brought back for the final dinner.
- Security should be integrated better into the activities and a leadership aspect should be added to security so that they have a full conference experience.
- More quiet time should be provided.
- Conference should be started a few hours earlier to allow more time in sessions and rest.
- Another intersession should be added.
- Some of the calmer sessions should have more activities.
- Introduction session needs to be redesigned, i.e. questions should be added that force a small personal aspect.
- Builder retreat needs to be further before conference.
- The maze game session needs to be longer.
- Cleaning needs to be more organized.
- Use of the lake should be introduced.
- A longer t-shirt signing/closing time should be available.

- Cabins should be organized better to avoid empty cabins.
- Conference should be during a long weekend.
- Avoid IB/AP program exam dates by making conference earlier or later than the exams.
- Meal times should be slightly longer so that tables chosen last have enough time to eat and for security or skill builders to meet and lead activities.
- One person suggested that the maze game should be before trust and risk, while a conflicting suggestion says that time and risk should be moved to session two to allow time before the maze game.
- More music should be played at conference
- As executive, if we need more resources, we should be networking with other schools to get equipment.
- Schools should be contacted through their administrations so that all schools are notified of YRPC activities, including but not limited to conference.
- More buses that are less crowded should be available to make transit to conference easier.
- More companies should be added to the corporate rotation, such as Aramark, Event Works, Firefox Marketing and potentially universities.
- More hydration and a larger number and variety of snacks need to be available.
- Packing should start during the final morning to allow more warm fuzzy time at the end of that day.
- Emphasize that conference is for the delegates.

Thank you to all who attended Remix 2006. Your participation made it an amazing experience. For conference pictures and to leave messages, visit <http://groups.msn.com/remix2006>. Please note that this site is not monitored, modified or endorsed by the YRDSB.

### 3) *YRSAC Conference*

YRSAC, the York Region Student Athletic Council, is having its conference June 2-4<sup>th</sup>. Delegate forms are still being accepted, for more information contact Kyle Empringham at [yrpcdpm@hotmail.com](mailto:yrpcdpm@hotmail.com). Leadership Developer (AKA skillbuilder) forms are also available through Kyle.

### 4) *Elections*

Elections for Prime Minister (President), Deputy Prime Minister (Vice-President), Minister of records (Secretary), Minister of Finance (Treasurer), Minister of Conference, Minister of Corporate Affairs, Minister of Entertainment, Minister of Security, and Minister of Skill Building will be held next meeting. Because of the elections, the meeting will commence at 6pm not 7.

5) *Sharing*

Aurora H.S.

-Will be presenting the musical anything goes May 24-26. Tickets are 10 dollars, please contact Kyle at [yrpcdm@hotmail.com](mailto:yRPCDM@hotmail.com) for more information.

Bayview S.S.

-CAP (child adoption program) carnival is upcoming and will raise money for sponsored third-world children. Features water balloon fights, pie throwing, and other events.

-Havana nights dance was unsuccessful.

-Arts café looking for visual art from other schools

Langstaff S.S.

-Selling prom tickets, putting couples names in hearts.

-30 hour famine May 11

-Walk Against Male Violence is upcoming.

-Elections are upcoming, featuring a new position on council, the environmental rep.

-Movie night and grade 8 carnival are upcoming.

Markham D.H.S.

-Elections will be held May 5

-Prom, which is being held May 12, suffered an odd twist of fate. Usually selling about 350 tickets, a hall accommodating 420 persons was booked. However, this year over 450 tickets were sold.

-May Day carnival will be held on May 12.

-Music Concerts are May 10 and 11.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau H.S.

-Held a memorial service for passed Caretaker Cassandra Reid. Has pointers for holding memorial service.

-Spirit week was held and included beach day, twin day, three legged races, crazy attire with crazy task events, pajama day, and the teddy bear walk.

-Dance tomorrow, DJed by Red Entertainment (\$800), featuring the non-alcoholic Tiki bar.

-Elections will be held May 19

-Blazers bash athletic party is upcoming.

Richmond Hill H.S.

-Replica handguns assembly was held.

-Hosting a YRDSB open debate tourney next weekend.

-Elections are upcoming.

Sutton D.H.S.

-Crazy hair/hat day was held successfully.

- A country western hoedown theme dance with matching spirit day will be held in the near future.
- Sounds of Spring music concert is at the end of May.
- Relay for life is June 2.

#### Unionville H.S.

- Activism week for world organizations went well, featuring keep the beat, can you survive children in the war zone, choose our own adventure type scenario activities.
- May Fair is upcoming
- Elections are also upcoming
- Council bought a snow cone machine for use at future events.

#### Westmount C.I.

- WCI is looking into getting a maimed car from an accident to promote awareness of the dangers of driving while high after the death of a former student who was killed while racing high.
- Weststock end of the year carnival will be held in the near future. Westmount is hiring Airbounce for rides, a carnival company for games and using the golden star restaurant to barbeque.
- Grease musical will be held May 17-19 at the playhouse theatre. Tickets are \$10. For more information contact Jon Shelson at [jshelson@look.ca](mailto:jshelson@look.ca).

#### Woodbridge College

- 20K for 20K walk was Friday.
- Café oasis talent night is upcoming.