



## York Region Presidents' Council

Minutes - General Meeting #7

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**Conference Date Change:** The YRPC conference date has been changed from the last weekend of April to the last weekend of March. Deadlines have therefore been moved forward, so continue to check for changes.

**Darfur:** Due to the change in date to the Conference, Darfur awareness month will be moved to April. This provides extra time in February for YRPC Executive Members to devote to conference planning.

**Security/ SB:** The 'Security' and 'Skillbuilder' application deadline has been extended until February. Students are encouraged to apply for these positions and to publicize information about the conference to student council members and students. If you plan on completing an application, you can send it to: [skill-builder@hotmail.com](mailto:skill-builder@hotmail.com) and [yrpc\\_security@hotmail.com](mailto:yrpc_security@hotmail.com) respectively.

**Delegate Applications:** Applications will be sent out in the near future. Please advertise the conference at your schools as 15 students from each school will be accepted (excluding security). The conference is a good opportunity for students in any grade. The cost is \$180 before February 21<sup>st</sup> and \$200 after February 21<sup>st</sup> for delegates. Either a health card or a health card number must be brought to Camp Trillium by each delegate. Remember: no snacks or food are permitted, as Camp Trillium is used by children afflicted with cancer. Please encourage those who are interested in attending the conference to come to a YRPC meeting in order to expose them to the council. When selecting delegates for the conference, student councils should choose people who show leadership abilities and who would benefit from this experience.

### **Sharing:**

**Keswick H.S:** 'iFlirts' are being distributed for Valentines Day. Students can pay \$2.50 for their results. The Auction/Battle of the Bands fundraiser is coming up, as well as a blood donation clinic in which everyone (over 17 years of age) can participate.

**Sutton District H.S:** Dances and a semi formal are being run. A motivational speaker will be hosted in the near future. Their 30<sup>th</sup> annual Relay for Life is approaching, as well as their school conference.

Emily Carr S.S: Musical Chairs and Car activities have been run.

Dr. G.W. Williams S.S: A bowl-a-thon for brothers and sisters, Hawaiian dance, acoustic dance, winter day and Valentines spirit day are currently being planned. 'Kisses for Cassie' is occurring, which entails selling candy grams with the proceeds going towards Sick Kids Hospital.

Thornhill S.S: Matchmaker and roses are being planned for Valentines Day. Tiger (their school mascot) grams are currently a successful fundraising initiative and are being done for spirit by the athletic council and the Red Cross. Thornhill S.S. is also in need of a new Mascot. They are currently selling t-shirts to raise money for Darfur (if you want one contact [brittanydalel@gmail.com](mailto:brittanydalel@gmail.com)), hosting a motivational speaker from Africa, and holding a letter writing campaign to the Prime Minister. For an outline of specific courses of action that the schools feel is important for relief in Darfur (contact [stefanika@gmail.com](mailto:stefanika@gmail.com) if school interested).

Aurora H.S: Matchmaker is coming up shortly, as well as movies in the cafe, a dance and the Airbounce equalizer.

Thornlea S.S: Matchmaker and a Valentines Day dance will occur in February.

Westmount C.I: 'iFlirts' and the 'Free the Children' brick-by-brick campaign are coming in the near future.

Bayview S.S: A clothing drive is currently being run, and the Raise the Roof campaign is another recently run fundraiser which gave away an I-pod nano as a prize. Flowers or candy grams will be sold for Valentines Day. This year's semi formal theme is *snowball at crystal fountain* and it will be promoted by the student council by wearing formal wear to school.

Huron Heights S.S: Sprit week, western day, as well as a warrior day is coming soon. The "last supper" went well and they hope to find success with PJ day, movies in the cafe, Relay for Life and the island inferno dance.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau H.S: Semi formal is occurring at crystal fountain, and they have also held a dance off! A Laser Quest tournament against other schools would have been very expensive, so the idea was abandoned. Also, their Talent meeting was not entirely successful.

Richmond Hill H.S: An assembly about Character Matters is occurring shortly.

Langstaff S.S: Sprit days, video games in the cafeteria, and a semi formal with the theme *A Night in Paris* are planned for the near future.