

North Toronto Collegiate Institute School Council Meeting: October 16th, 2007

Welcome: by Eric Miglin- introduced himself as Co-Chair

Student Council Report: Regrets of Lyndsey Gott who could not attend meeting.

YSAP Presentation: by Maria and Krystal from YMCA

YSAP stands for Youth Substance Abuse Program with the goals of trying to work with students using a harm reduction approach. Includes dialogue regarding the use of drugs/alcohol and making better choices.

The program involves an approach to keep kids safe through use of fellow student mentors trained by YSAP. The older grade 11 & 12 students would be trained in 4 intensive sessions to mentor the younger grade 9 & 10 students. There will then be a general assembly before the November semi-formal, to reinforce positive choices regarding drugs and alcohol use.

Points mentioned by Maria and Krystal regarding the YSAP program:

- great feedback from kids regarding the introduction of YSAP (youth substance abuse program)
- approach to cover needs of all at the school, YSAP has met with teachers, students and administration
- info on program involves drugs, alcohol use and a Harm Reduction Philosophy
- during the initial assembly was a large response and YSAP recruited 35 older student volunteers to act as peer mentors
- Ask questions to think about beliefs (re: drug use) and reflect on beliefs (i.e. legal substance is illegal).
- Both counsellors were available to answer other questions after the meeting

Principal's Report: Joel Gorenkoff

- Mentioned that the staff of NT were proud of the senior students actively mentoring younger kids.
- Oct 25 Red & Grey Day
- Semi formal to be held Friday Nov 16/07 at 1087 Queen St West near Lansdowne with security/ police/ teachers all present. The tickets are \$ 20 ticket.
- fencing off of school property soon and Nov 21 will be the official ground breaking ceremony.

Vice Principal Report: Mary Laszlo

- Wed Nov. 7 is Take Your Kid to Work Day for grade 9 students. Forms must be returned by Fri. Oct 26/07 if participating in this.
- Nov 14: Report Cards will be taken home. Also going home will be information regarding Parent/Teacher interviews, to be held Thursday, Nov 22 at 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM.
- Nov. 02 and Nov.30 are PD days- no school
- Website: www.NTCI.on.ca for detailed info.

Nominations to School Council Executive:

Co-Chair	Eric Miglin
Co-Secretaries	Jane Lewis and Patricia Boeckner
Treasurer	Simon Berkowitz
Ward Rep	Michele Temple
Event Co-ord	Svea Einola
Member at large	Phyllis Cincinatus
Teacher Rep	Carole Whelan

Treasurer's Report: Simon Berkowitz

North Toronto Collegiate Parent Council Funds: 2007-2008

		2006-2007 comparison
Balance fwd July 31, 2007	\$6,924.01	\$8,533.53
plus:		
parent fees	\$0.00	\$19,025.00
receipt: synervoice grant	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
net interest income	<u>\$24.29</u>	
	<u>\$24.29</u>	<u>\$265.15</u>
total cash available	\$6,948.30	\$29,823.68
less cash spent or committed:		
commencement	\$2,400.00	\$2,129.72
Teacher appreciation	\$0.00	\$174.18
Parent council ad	\$0.00	\$250.00
School Council Awards (grade 9)	\$0.00	\$0.00
math dep't (graphing calculators)	\$0.00	\$2,051.77
web site	\$0.00	\$0.00
robotics club	\$0.00	\$500.00
classics club	\$0.00	\$600.00
music dep't (new instruments)	\$0.00	\$0.00
music dep't (vocal retreat)	\$0.00	\$395.00
girls hockey team	\$0.00	\$0.00
athletics dep't (boys & girls)	\$0.00	\$750.00
IT assistance	\$0.00	\$3,892.00
school field trips	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
Drama department	\$0.00	\$350.00

NTCI uniforms	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	
Synervoice maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	
School paper, Graffiti (computer)	\$0.00	\$693.00	
School paper, Graffiti (operating)	\$0.00	\$600.00	
English dep't (mentoring)	\$0.00	\$400.00	
English dep't	\$0.00	\$600.00	
visual arts dep't	\$0.00	\$200.00	
30 hour famine fund raiser	\$0.00	\$550.00	
media course - computer	\$0.00	\$1,914.00	
ski club	\$0.00	\$550.00	
field hockey	\$0.00	\$800.00	
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TOTAL SPENT OR COMMITTED TO DATE	\$2,400.00	\$22,899.67	
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Cash available October 11, 2007	\$4,548.30	\$6,924.01	July, 31, 2007
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Committed	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	
Cash TD account	\$1,260.21	\$1,270.21	
Cash investment account at ING	\$5,688.09	\$5,653.80	
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	\$4,548.30	\$6,924.01	
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Overview: Reminder that there is less money available to the school Council this year in part to lower enrollment.

Requests:

1. Request for \$4000 to replace teachers who are away on NT field trips.
 - 20 more teachers and more field trips
 - Receive complete accounting of what trips- who is involved
 - Asking for some amount as of last year

Passed

2. Require an IT assistant to assist with computers at NT. In past co-op student was hired. This year proposal is to hire 1 student for 5 hrs per week for \$1,000 year.

Passed

3. The Leadership Class is requesting \$75.00 for 'Noogie- fest' a non-profit organization, that helps 70 kids affected by cancer. Plan is to create an Enchanted Room.

Passed

4. Classics Club requesting a \$ 600.00 grant for students to attend the

Ontario Classics Conference - is provided every year.

Passed

5. Trip to Honduras

A request for \$ 6,000 towards this trip. The executive agreed to fund \$1000 at this time, but also agreed that if any child wants be involved in the trip and does not have the financial means, that an additional request can then be brought forward to the executive who would be willing to help sponsor that student.

Passed - \$ 1000

Conclusion of Meeting: Eric Miglin

Thank you to everyone for attending. The next meeting will be November 20th, 2007.