



## THORNHILL SECONDARY SCHOOL

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### AGENDA & Minutes - Thursday November 14, 2013

#### 1. Welcome

SP – welcomed the group. Introduced the guest speakers Lisa Conlan & Jay Pasternack

#### 2. Drug Presentation (Police/JACS) – Lisa Conlan & Jay Pasternack 60 min

Reviewed current trends

Methods of concealing and transporting drugs (inventive)

Offered review of types of narcotics available to students as well as a review of visible physical symptoms parents should monitor- including:

- Ecstasy (party drug)
- LSD (cartoon & kid marketed)
- Ketamine – Special K (hallucinogen)
- Cocaine
- Marijuana
- Methamphetamine
- Salvia/Synthetic marijuana)
- “Bath Salts”

#### Other Tips/Hints for Parents:

- ✓ Be aware of convenience stores selling drug paraphernalia. Not illegal to have or sell, but likely that these stores are selling salvia or other “grey” market drugs
- ✓ Children 12 years and up can be charged with drug related activities
- ✓ Monitor storage and disposal of prescribed drugs in the home

Presentation of appreciation gift to both speakers

Council donation of \$100 will be made to JAC's as gesture of thanks for the presentation

#### 3. Executive Updates - (20 min)

- a) Review of October 2013 Minutes – Shirley
  - ✓ Motion to approve minutes (Darrell), seconded (Angela)
- b) **Fundraising Letter** – Hayley
  - **Goal** = \$6,500 – up from \$4,500 raised last year
  - School priority = technology
  - Technology match window from the board in December & again in the spring
  - Letter completed (translated) & scheduled to go out with report cards
  - Mentioned in parent bulletin last week
  - Will send again in two weeks as a reminder
- c) **PRO Grant** (Speaker series topic confirmation) – Shirley
  - Dr. Lewis – Teenage mental health (January 9)
  - Paul Davis – Social Networking Safety (sessions for students in the day& parents in the evening (February 13)

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d) Treasurers Report – Darrell

- ✓ \$350 – a late donation from last year = carried over. \$200 has been allocated to the “technology fund”, the remaining \$150 as seed money.

#### 4. BOSS Report - Eric Choi, Hannah Schneider (10 min)

**Update on BOSS activities including**

Eye of the Tiger – copies of 1<sup>st</sup> issue distributed

**Upcoming events**

Semi -formal next Thurs

Theme = Casino Royale

ALL GRADES event (175 students)

Open mike night – scheduled for December

**Club Update**

Almost 50 clubs currently running at the school

Meeting with club leaders to review fund raising guidelines

Looking to streamline these activities to avoid overlap

**Examples of newer clubs:**

- ✓ Thornhill sponsors a child
- ✓ Social Justice League

#### 5. Community Report – Adam Saperia (5 min)

Last week of May 2013 = 60 Anniversary next spring

Schedule of events pending

Encourage participation & follow us on line

#### 6. Administration Report – Lewis (10 min)

Announcing new teacher rep (math teacher) Ritika Chaudhary

Involved in debate – coached team of students in competition in Montreal

Organized debate fundraising tournament

**Upcoming Dates:-**

- Next Council Meeting: **Thursday, January 9, 2014**
  - February 13
  - March 20
  - May 8
  - June 5