

Welland Centennial Secondary

Parent Council Minutes

March 19, 2018

7:00pm

Room 116

1. Welcome – Introductions

11 Attendees : Mr. Nigel Evans (Principal), Ms. Jennifer Reid-George (Vice-Principal), Mary Lou Harry, Amanda Deschenes (Secretary), Meghan Reichheld, Jeff Etling (Chair), Tara Etling, Liz Maltais, Sandra Zacharak, Bryan Marr (Prime Minister), Constable Tara Manherz

2. Review and Adopt Minutes from last meeting, Feb 12

- Carried

3. Student's Council Report – Bryan Marr, Student Council

- Semi-formal dance went very well at Club Italia. Student council did fabulous job organizing it, no issues, very wholesome event. The hall thanked Centennial for having such a good group
- Last week was spirit week and many students participated
- Easter egg hunt coming up next week
- Prom committee applications are in Guidance office if any student wants to be part of planning prom
- Coffee House in April. Anyone who wants to perform music, poetry, lip sync battles, is invited

4. Administrator's Report – Mr. Evans

- Parent teacher interviews, April 5, 6-8pm. Call in or online registration coming this week
- Theatre/dinner packages are for sale for Bring it On
- EQAO literacy test is April 10
- After hours assistance and study for EQAO will be in room 133, staff will be there to assist. Taking place over 10 days prior to the test: Tuesday to Thursday for the next three weeks plus April 9. 2:30-3:40pm each day.
- Last year's pass rate was 89%
- Ms. Reid-George acquired new equipment from Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High school after closure
- Currently Looking at repurposing a room to become baking room
- Progress reports coming out this Thursday
- Jr. girls and Sr. boys basketball teams have moved on
- Our figure skaters won provincial championship
- March Break trip to Europe went very well and students had a great time
- Our student body numbers for next year went up a bit, up 50 people from this year
- Cheerleading and rowing pasta fundraising dinners were well received
- Ian Tyson spoke to kids about positive attitude on the Friday before March Break and it was a great assembly

5. Featured presenter: Constable Tara Manherz

- Looks after 6 high schools in Welland area
- Responsibilities are developing a rapport with students, staff and parents, intervening in concerning behaviours at an early stage, team approach to dealing with behaviour.
- Mentor and coach, student feels comfortable when they know an officer at school, therefore she is approachable. Does education on drugs, bullying, etc.
- Tara made smooth transition. Police who respond from road take days to respond, Tara is already here and knows the students. Kids who know information are more willing to come forward to her as they know who she is
- She is invited to activities enabling her to socialize with kids.

6. Roundtable

No comments

Meeting end at 8:08pm

Next meeting: April 9, 2018 at 7:00pm