

# MINUTES

## Welland Centennial Parent Council

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*September 10, 2018, 7:00PM*

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### In Attendance

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Nigel Evans, Principal; Jennifer Reid, Vice-Principal; Amanda Deschenes, Chair; Sandra Zacharuk; Secretary; Claudette Letourneau, Heidi Hopkins, Jennifer Dube, Tom Blacquiére, Meghan Reichheld, Alyson DiDonato, Eun-ja Kim (Tina).

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### Board

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Amanda Deschenes nominated and approved as Chair for 2018-2019.

Sandra Zacharuk nominated and approved as Secretary for 2018-2019.

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### Events

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Friday, September, 7: Corn Roast

Thursday, September 13: Grade 9 Meet the Teachers Night

Thursday, September 13: Presentation to Grade 11 students on DSBN's Specialist High School Major Programs. New programs this year in Energy, Arts & Culture and Health & Wellness. This allows students to customize their high school experience through enhanced learning options. They can also earn CPR, First Aid FREE as well as grants from Niagara College. More info here: <http://teched.dsbns.org/shsm/specialist-high-skills-major>

Thursday, September 20: Photo Day

#### **Coming soon:**

Monday, September 24 – Friday September 28: Spirit Week

Friday, September 28: Catch a Slice of Cougar Life – Week long events that senior students lead to help introduce Grade 9 students to life in Centennial, however there is fun for everyone. There is also a pep rally and early football game. More info to come.

Grade 9 student council election coming up

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### Announcements

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- Work has been done on Centennial's science labs. They are now completely modernized Floors, water, gas, new projectors.
- For the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row, enrolment numbers are up. There are now approx.. 900 students at Centennial. People are deliberately moving to Welland to go to Centennial because of our strong EQAO scores and because of our bright school spirit and culture.
- This year there are 14 new staff members
- This year's school play will be about Syrian refugees
- There is an ongoing adult computer education program in Centennial that is FREE. Ongoing enrolment and includes Microsoft Certification. Pass on the word!

- Guidance Counsellor Dom Sardella is available to assist any Grade 12 students with scholarships, forms, etc. Deadlines are coming. Ontario Universities Fair is Sept. 28-30 at Metro Toronto Convention Centre and all Grade 11 and 12 students should attend!
- Centennial's goal is to have all students sign up for something. Those that engage more>attend more>marks go up
- Like the Centennial Parent Council Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/WCSSPC/>
- Principal's Report & Chair's Report will come next meeting.

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### Next Meeting

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Monday, October 15, Room 116