

**Superintendent's Letter
February 20, 2013**

Wilson School District Strategic Vision Planks

*WSD Vision Plank 1 – Improve upon or expand Wilson's portfolio to advance student success.
WSD Vision Plank 2 – Grow Wilson regionally or nationally.
WSD Vision Plank 3 – Increase organizational agility and capacity.
WSD Vision Plank 4 – Creative development of existing and new infrastructure.
WSD Vision Plank 5 – Create a flatter organizational structure for stakeholder collaboration.
WSD Vision Plank 6 – Control for fiscal accountability.*

Among the actions taken by the Board at its meeting on February 19th, were the following:

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – JROTC Color Guard

➤ *JROTC Drill Exhibition Team*

WILSON GOOD NEWS – Carol Reid

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 4, 2013 (Motion Carried)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 11, 2013 (Motion Carried)

**1.0 TREASURER'S REPORT/INVESTMENT REPORT/GENERAL
FUND FINANCIAL REPORTS (Motion Carried)**

2.0 PAYMENT OF BILLS: (Motion Carried)

General Fund 2012-2013	\$ 2,121,359.59
Capital Reserve Fund 2012-2013	\$ 113,712.61
2010 Construction Fund 2012-2013	\$ 55,475.86

3.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS: (Motion Carried)

Cafeteria (January '13)

Child Care (January '13)

Activity Accounts:

Wilson West MS (January '13)

Southern MS (January '13)

Senior High (January '13)

PRESENTATIONS:

- *Operation Recognition Diploma Presentation*
Mr. Douglas W. Graybill, Jr. Class of 1971
- *National Merit Scholarship Recognition*
 - Jasmine McGhee
 - Ankit Patel
 - Eric Rodrigo
 - Thomas Wagner
- *Music Department – Donnasue Thompson and Bill Nelson*
 - Anna Gutzler – Green Valley
 - Cole Chmielewski – Green Valley
 - Bryn Underwood – Cornwall Terrace
 - Reagan Underwood – Cornwall Terrace

4.0 Ratified/Approved the following (Motion Carried)

4.1 Field Trips

a) Request permission to approve the *revised* Middle and Secondary School Field Trips as attached.

b) Wilson Child Care, Cornwall Terrace, field trip is listed on the below early dismissal day. The cost of the trip will be paid by Wilson Child Care through activity money collected. Transportation is being provided from Berks Lanes. There will be no cost to the District. Number of participants will be determined after permission forms are returned.

- Berks Lanes- 5/17/13, no rain date

4.2 Participations

a) Request permission for the Wilson High School varsity boys' and girls' track and field teams to participate in the Wildcat Invitational Track and Field Meet in Stafford, Virginia on March 28, 29 and 30, 2013. The athletic department has agreed to contribute \$500 toward transportation costs. Cost to district \$500 and 2 substitutes.

5.0 Superintendent's Report (Motion Carried)

5.1 Resignations/ End of Service

Melissa Farabaugh, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Cornwall Terrace, eff. 2/22/13

Janelle Moser, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Whitfield, eff. 2/15/13

Kathryn Stewart, Hourly Teacher, Whitfield, eff. 2/15/13

Adam Ziegler, Study Hall Monitor- In School Suspension, High School, eff. 3/01/13

5.2 Retirements

Deborah Elliott, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Whitfield, eff. the end of the 12-13 School Year

Ann Prendergast, Day to Day Substitute, eff. 2/6/13

5.3 Unpaid Leave

Lenore Lasowecky, Instructional Support Teacher, Green Valley, 5/9/13 & 5/10/13 (2 working days)

Mary Ann Reed, Reading Specialist, Green Valley, 3/28/13 (1 working day)

5.4 Support Staff

Carmen Butler, Substitute Food Service Worker, \$9.43 per hour, eff. 2/19/13

Jenifer Markowski, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Southern, 29.5 hours per week, \$11.40 per hour, eff. 2/19/13 (replacing Lauren Stallone who had a change of status eff. 2/8/13)

Walter Nixon, Emergency Substitute School Bus Driver, \$12.82 per hour, eff. 2/20/13

Walter Nixon, Emergency Substitute Crossing Guard, \$15.00 per hour, eff. 2/20/13

Karen Rowe, Building Technology Assistant- Fast Forward Program, Whitfield, \$11.40 per hour, 20 hours per week, eff. 2/11/13 (replacing Lucy Kramer who is having a change in status eff. 2/15/13)

Cynthia Weaver, Special Education Instructional Assistant, High School, \$11.40 per hour, 29.5 hours per week, eff. 2/11/13 (replacing Cerisse Foster who resigned eff. 1/16/13)

5.5 Change of Status

Teresa Driesbach, Cook/Baker, Whitfield, 27.5 hours per week to 28.75 hours per week, no change in rate, eff. 2/20/13

Arlene Fuller, Food Service Worker, Cornwall Terrace, 16.25 hours per week to Food Service Worker, Cornwall Terrace, 17.5 hours per week, no change in rate, eff. 2/11/13 (replacing Ursula Natterman who had a change in status eff. 2/1/13)

Lucy Kramer, PT Guidance Counselor Secretary, High School, eff. 2/15/13 (start date determined)

Ursula Natterman, Food Service Worker, Cornwall Terrace to Cook/Baker, Cornwall Terrace, \$10.16 per hour, 28.75 hours per week, eff. 2/1/13 (replacing James Stoltz who had a change of status eff. 2/1/13)

Kathy Trout, Special Education Instructional Assistant, MDS, Whitfield to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Learning Support, Whitfield, 25 hours per week, no change in rate, eff. 2/19/13 (replacing Lisa Yancey who had a change in status eff. 2/19/13)

Lisa Yancey, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Learning Support, Whitfield to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic Support, Whitfield, 29.5 hours per week, no change in rate, eff. 2/19/13. (Replacing Janelle Moser who resigned eff. 2/15/13)

5.6 Hourly Teacher

Kelsea Fox, Hourly Teacher, Whitfield, 17 hours per week, \$19.22 per hour, eff. 2/19/13 (replacing Kathryn Stewart who has resigned eff. 2/15/13)

5.7 Professional Hires

a) Javius Galan

Education

Master of Education in Special Education, West Chester University of PA, December 2011

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, Bloomsburg University, May 2009

Experience

Education Director/Assistant Behavior Analyst, Preparing Adolescents & Adults for Life, Downingtown, Pa, May 2011- Present

Degree, Credit Year, Salary

B, CY 1, \$41,168

Assignment

Long Term Substitute, Learning Support, Cornwall Terrace, eff. 3/4/13 until 1/14/14 (replacing Jennifer Profit while on maternity leave)

b) Carly Smith

Education

Bachelor of Science in Education, Bloomsburg University, May 2011

Experience

Extended Daily Substitute Math Teacher, Centennial School District,
Warminster, Pa, November 2012- January 2013

Degree, Credit Year, Salary

B, CY 1, \$41,168

Assignment

Math, Long Term Substitute, High School eff. 2/12/13- end of the 12-13
School Year (replacing Dave Noyes while on professional sabbatical)

5.8 Certified Substitutes eff. 2/20/13 unless otherwise noted

Erica Bechdel, eff. 2/11/13

Cailin Farrara

Brian McClellan

Tricia Mitchell

Ann Tucsna

5.9 Emergency Substitutes eff. 2/20/13

Brandyn Drago

Elise Lytz

5.10 Extracurricular

a. Request approval of the Spring Extra Curricular Salary
Recommendations as attached.

b. Wilson Theater Company

Play 2: Director Beverly Houck- Pay \$1,096

c. Volunteer Assistant Senior High Track and Field Coach

Tony Dodds

Matthew Redcay

6.0 Consent Item (Motion Carried)

6.1 Accepted with gratitude the following donation:

- a) \$50 to Wilson West Middle School, from the Need Help Book Club, to be used to purchase library books.

Roll Call Votes

7.0 Human Resources (Motion Carried)

7.1 Approved a new job description - Custodial-Maintenance Floater, 1st shift position, Range VIII, effective 2/19/13.

8.0 Pupil Services (Motion Carried)

8.1 Approved the resolution to accept and ratify the Board Committee's recommendation of the expulsion of one 14-year old student after hearing and written report.

8.2 Permission granted to waive tuition for the following students:

Male Student Gr. 12, Wilson Virtual Academy, from 9/13/12 until the end of the school year (as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents).

Male Student - Gr. 12, High School, from 2/6/13 until the end of the school year (as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents).

8.3 Ratified placement of one 14-year old High School male on 2/5/13 into the CSF Buxmont Academy at approximately \$110.34 per day.

8.4 Ratified placement of one 16-year old High School male on 2/6/13 into the Alsace Alternative Education Program at approximately \$79.00 per day.

8.5 Ratified placement of one 13-year old Southern Middle School male on 2/7/13 into the Children's Home of Reading Alternative Education Program at approximately \$140.00 per day.

8.6 Ratified contract with Education, Inc., to provide hospital tutoring services for a special education student at a rate of \$49.00 per hour for 10 hours per week beginning January 30, 2013 and ending June 30, 2013.

8.7 Ratified contract with KidsPeace National Centers, Inc., to provide educational and clinical services to a special education student at a cost of \$156.83 per day beginning February 4, 2013 and ending June 6, 2013.

8.8 Permission granted to enter the name of **Douglas W. Graybill, Jr.**, Wilson graduate, Class of 1971 into the permanent minutes.

8.9 Permission granted to enter the names of the 2012 Wilson graduates into the permanent minutes.

9.0 Technology & Media (Motion Carried)

9.1 Permission granted to enter into a 5 year municipal lease with Stratix Systems for 1 ComColor 7050 duplicator for Central Duplicating to replace an end of lease machine. The yearly lease cost will be \$11,746.08.

10.0 Operations (No Items)

11.0 Finance (Motion Carried)

11.1 Approved the Berks County Intermediate Unit Services Budget, July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

11.2 Approved the 2013-2014 preliminary general fund budget in the amount of \$89,600,398, per the attached resolution to the permanent minutes.

11.3 Approved the resolution authorizing action by District Solicitor and Director of Finance regarding assessment appeals and appraisals related to real estate properties.

11.4 Approved the budget transfers dated January 17, 2013 through February 13, 2013.

11.5 Granted permission for the creation of a High School Boys Lacrosse account in the Senior High School Student Activities Fund.

12.0 Curriculum and Staff Development (No Items)

13.0 Transportation (Motion Carried)

13.1 Approved the transportation contract with the Berks County Intermediate Unit to transport a Wilson student attending Devereux Day Program for the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of \$24,130.00.

13.2 Approved the transportation contract with the Berks County Intermediate Unit to transport a Wilson student attending Devereux Brandywine Program for the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of \$14,021.00.

14.0 Food/Cafeteria (No items)

15.0 Child Care (No Items)

16.0 Policies (No Vote)

16.1 ***Second Reading*** of the following policy:
Policy #123 - Interscholastic Athletics

16.2 ***First Reading*** of the following policy:
Policy #214 – Class Rank

17.0 Miscellaneous (No Items)