

Superintendent's Letter
Tuesday, May 2, 2017

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 regular board meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 were the following:

WILSON GOOD NEWS – Mr. Ehrlich, Board President

- Wilson's Chapter of the Technology Student Association participated in the 2017 State Conference. Wilson performed very well, qualifying 16 students to the National Conference in Orlando FL (June 21-25) 17 out of 19 students placed within the top 8 placeholders in their events. There were over 2,300 competitors.
- Wilson High School Reading Olympics team took 2ndplace in Berks County. Congratulations

Presentation – Dr. Cindy Mierzejewski

Futures Study (Special Education Report) – Mr. Michael Neiman

Public Participation –

- Jennifer Wallace – Chinese Program
- Alison Wallace – Chinese Program
- Valerie Grajewski – Chinese Program
- Olivia Grajewski – Chinese Program

5.0 Superintendent's Report (Motion Carried)

5.1 Retirement

Linda Schmitz, Kindergarten Teacher – Green Valley, effective 6/9/17

5.2 Resignations/End of Service

Victoria DeFazio, Special Education Instructional Assistant – Green Valley, effective 5/12/17

Nancy Miller, Custodian – Whitfield, effective 6/8/17

Brenda Moser, Special Education Instructional Assistant – Spring Ridge, effective 5/3/17

Glenn Rhine, Crossing Guard, effective 4/19/17

Natalie Rivera, Substitute Special Education Instructional Assistant, effective 4/18/17

Stephanie Talotta, Special Education Teacher – Southern Middle School, effective 6/9/17

Chelsea White, Special Education Teacher – Shiloh Hills, effective 6/9/17

Marty Welsh, Substitute School Bus Driver, eff. 5/12/17

Julie Zezenski, Long Term Special Education Substitute, Southern/ West, eff. 4/28/17

5.3 Sabbatical Leave

Theresa Himmelberger, 2nd Grade Teacher – Spring Ridge, Educational Sabbatical for the 2017-18 school year.

5.4 Day Without Pay

Kayla Heiney, 2nd Grade Teacher – Green Valley, 4/20/17 (one day)

Eric LaChance, Science Teacher – West Middle School, 4/11/17 (one day)

Megan Oxenreider, Spanish Teacher – High School, 5/5/17 (one-half day)

Steffany Snell, ESL Teacher – Whitfield, 5/17/17 (one day)

Robin Lysakowski, School Nurse, Whitfield, 5/25/17 & 5/26/17 (2 working days)

5.5 Support Staff

Gina Hoppock, Substitute Bus Aide, \$9.87/hr, effective 4/24/17

Richard Venne, Substitute Van Driver, \$12.75/hr, effective 4/19/17

Lester Bare, Substitute Crossing Guard, \$15.00 per hour, eff. 4/27/17

Tami Trout, Substitute Bus Driver, \$14.86 per hour, eff. 4/1/17 (incorrect rate was previously approved)

5.6 Certified Sub eff. 5/2/17

Kristin Barata

5.7 Extracurricular

Jacqueline Gawronski, Intramurals – West , \$11.27/hr

Tim Prokopovits, Freshmen Baseball Assistant Coach, \$885

Darryl Schucker, Homework Club Intramural, \$11.27/hr

5.8 Summer Employment

Joel Dries, Behind-the-Wheel Instructor, Hours through June 30th are 90; Hours after July 1 are 168.

6.0 Consent Items (Consent)

6.1 Accepted with gratitude the following donation:

a) \$1,000 from Patient First, to Spring Ridge Elementary, to be used for the purchase of classroom books.

Roll Call

7.0 Human Resources (Motion Carried)

7.1 Approved entering into an agreement, effective 5/24/17 and ending upon the start date of a new superintendent, with Steven Keifer, at a rate of \$600/day.

8.0 Pupil Services (Motion Carried 8-1)

8.1 Approved the Settlement Agreement and Release to directly pay the Hillside School an amount up to twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$24,500.00) for tuition for the 2017-2018 school year, and to pay the Hillside School an amount up to one thousand, one hundred dollars (\$1,100.00) for the Hillside summer 2018 program; an amount up to twenty-five thousand five hundred dollars (\$25,500.00) for the 2018-2019 school year; and to pay the Hillside School an amount up to one thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$1,150.00) for the summer 2019 program; plus transportation. To settle and comprise all claims raised by the parents of a special education student and to authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the agreement on behalf of the district.

8.2 Ratified one contract with Capstone Academy, to provide ESY to a special education students at the rate of \$10,555.50, including all related services costs, beginning 7/10/17 and ending 8/11/17.
(1306 student from an outside school district)

8.3 Ratified one contract with Elwyn Opportunities School to provide ESY to a special Education student at the rate of \$4,025.00, including all related services costs, beginning 6/26/17 and ending 8/3/17.

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8.5 Granted Permission to waive tuition for the following students:

- a) Male , Gr. 9, High School, Male, Gr. 8, Wilson Southern MS, and Male, Gr. 5, Spring Ridge Elementary, from 4/21/17 until the end of the school year (as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents)
- b) Male, Gr. 7, Wilson West MS, from 4/21/17 until the end of the school year (as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents)
- c) Female, Gr. 11, High School, Female, Gr. 8, Wilson West MS, and Female, Gr. 7, Wilson West MS, from 3/31/17 until the end of the school year (as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents)

8.6 Approved the Resolution approving and adopting student discipline Waiver and Consent Agreement dated September 29, 2016.

9.0 Technology & Media (Motion Carried)

9.1 Granted permission to enter into the attached Agreement with LauchDM to provide professional services pertaining to the District’s website redesign, Search Engine Optimization, and rebranding for \$98,000 and to provide Website Hosting Services for \$85-\$125 per month.

10.0 Operations (No Items)

11.0 Finance (Motion Carried)

11.1 Approved awarding the 2017-18 school year Student Accident and Athletic Insurance to AG Administrators, Inc., Tompkins Insurance, Underwriter and Agent, at an annual premium of \$24,518.

12.0 Curriculum and Staff Development (Motion Carried)

12.1 Granted permission to approve a change in the Wilson High School 2017-18 Program of Studies to offer Chinese I, II, III and IV as an offering for High School Students.

13.0 Transportation (No Items)

14.0 Food/Cafeteria (No Items)

15.0 Child Care (No Items)

16.0 Extra-Curricular (No Items)

17.0 Policies (No Items)

18.0 Miscellaneous (Motion Carried)

18.1 Approved the 2017-18 School Board Meeting dates.

OTHER BUSINESS (President to permit public participation prior to any vote on Other Business)

1.0 Granted permission to appoint Board Member, Jason Hopp, as temporary Board President for the purpose of signing his daughter’s diploma.