

Superintendent's Letter Tuesday, August 2, 2016

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, August 1, 2016 were the following:

5.0 Superintendent's Report (Motion Carried)

5.1 Resignations

Katelyn Long, Special Education Teacher, High School, effective 9/30/16

Jason Raymond, Skills Development Teacher, West Middle School, effective 7/25/16

Jennifer Walker, Reading Specialist, Whitfield, effective 9/16/16

Michelle Weatherholtz, Hourly Teacher, Green Valley, effective 7/26/16

5.2 Change in Status

Catherine Barczynski- Kulp, Special Education Instructional Assistant, \$12.34 to \$13.75 (approved on support staff increase spreadsheet incorrectly)

Denise Bentz, Administrative Assistant to Academic Supervisors, to Administrative Assistant, Child Care, no change in rate or hours, effective 7/25/16 (replaces Angela Stoudt who resigned)

Matthew Campbell, Biology Teacher, High School, to Gifted Support Teacher, High School, no change in salary, effective 8/24/16 (replaces Michele Campbell who transferred)

Eric LaChance, LTS Science Teacher, Southern Middle School, to LTS Science Teacher, West Middle School, Bachelor's Degree, Credit Year 2, effective 8/24/16 through the end of 2016-2017 School Year (replaces Jessica Gorfti while on Child-Rearing Leave)

Heather Lundquest, First Grade Teaching Assistant Cornwall Terrace and Study Hall Monitor Southern to Autistic Special Education Instructional Assistant, Cornwall Terrace, \$13.11 per hour, 29.5 hours per week, eff. 8/29/16 (replacing Peggy Hatzistavrakis who resigned)

Kristina Rubright, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Whitfield, \$13.11 per hour, eff. 8/29/16 (missed on support staff increases)

Bethany Snyder, 4th Grade Teacher, Spring Ridge, to Elementary Instructional Technology Coach, no change in salary, effective 8/24/16 through the end of the 2016-2017 school year (replaces Rachel Davies who resigned)

Rose Troutman, Kindergarten Aide, Shiloh Hills to Library Asst., Shiloh Hills, \$12.75 per hour, eff. 8/29/16 (replacing Amy Auchenbach who resigned)

5.3 Support Staff

Lisa Phillips, 1st Grade Teaching Assistant, Whitfield, 9 hours/week, \$11.97/hr, effective 8/29/16 (replaces Nancy Poole who retired)

5.4 Professional Hire **David Dunkelberger**

Education

Master's Degree, Alvernia University

Experience

Computer & Math Teacher, Lebanon Middle School, 2009-present

Degree, Credit Year, Salary

M, CY2, \$53,514

Assignment

Technology Education Teacher, High School, effective 8/24/16 (replaces Jon Jarrett who resigned)

Justin Foster

Education

Master's of Arts in Counseling, Messiah College

Experience

Elementary School Counselor

Conrad Weiser West, August 2013-present

School Counselor (LTS), Phoenixville, Twin Valley, & Owen J. Roberts

Program Supervisor, Devereaux, 2008-present

Degree, Credit Year, Salary

M, CY5, \$55,264

Assignment

Guidance Counselor, Cornwall Terrace Elementary, effective 8/24/16 (replaces Nicole Rowe who resigned)

Lauren M. Smith

Education

Bachelor's Degree in Education - Earth Science, Millersville University

Experience

Middle School Science Teacher - West Shore School District, 2013-present

Degree, Credit Year, Salary

B, CY1, \$44,000

Assignment

Science Teacher, Southern Middle School, effective 8/24/16 (replaces Catherine Grothmann who resigned)

5.5 Summer Employment

Tim Prokopovits, Summer School Tutor, \$28.00 per hour

Ashley Smith, Substitute ESY Teacher, \$35.00 per hour

5.6 Extracurricular

Brittany Baksic, Swim Lesson Instructor, \$7.75/hr, effective 7/20/16

Jared Baksic, Swim Lesson Instructor, \$7.75/hr, effective 7/20/16

6.0 Consent Items (None)

7.0 Human Resources (Motion Carried)

- 7.1** Granted permission to approve the adoption of the Agreement and Release to provide transportation to a student to and from Camp Lily Berks, 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.

8.0 Pupil Services (Motion Carried)

- 8.1** Granted permission to enroll a female foreign exchange student, Gr. 12, High School, (from Australia) for the 2016-17 school year.
- 8.2** Granted permission to waive tuition for the following students as per Board Policy #202 – Eligibility of Non-Residents:
One male student, Gr. 7, Wilson West Middle School, from 8/29/16 until 9/2/16.
One female student, Gr. 9, High School, from 8/29/16 until 9/2/16.
One male student, Gr. 12, High School, from 8/29/16 until the end of the school year
Two female students, Gr. 12, High School from 8/29/16 until the end of the school year

9.0 Technology & Media (Motion Carried)

- 9.1** Granted permission to enter into a 48-month lease with Dell Financial Services for \$59,981.30 for secondary Technology and Engineering computers.
- 9.2** Granted permission to enter into a 36-month lease with Dell Financial Services for \$94,699.99 for secondary student Chromebook replacements.
- 9.3** Granted permission to sell obsolete desktop computers to UpCycle LLC, Fairfield, N.J. for \$2,500.

10.0 Operations (Motion Carried)

- 10.1** Motion carried to award \$64,950 to Leibold, Inc. for the emergency repair to/replacement of an underground HVAC system pipe in connection with the Pump Replacement Project and authorization for Leibold, Inc. to proceed with the emergency repair/replacement in accordance with Section 7-751(a)(2) of the Public School Code. Three bids were solicited, of which two were received. Leibold, Inc.'s bid is the lowest bid received in response to the District's solicitation. Required notice will be submitted to the Department of Education.
- 10.2** Motion carried to reject bid for the Lower House Courtyard Design Project. The Board of School Directors of Wilson School District (the Board") sought competitive bids, by due public notice requesting same, for construction of the Lower House Courtyard Design Project (the "Project"). Only one bid was received. After review of the bid, it is recommended that the Board reject the bid.

11.0 Finance (Motion Carried)

- 11.1** Approved to purchase time clocks for the District from School Technology Associates at a cost of \$69,810 to be paid from the capital reserve fund. And to request approval to add the TrueTime module to Skyward at a one-time set-up cost of \$13,872 and an annual licensing fee of \$3,792 to be paid from the general fund.
- 11.2** Approved to enter into an agreement with American Risk Management Services, Inc. to perform an audit of the District's Worker's Compensation policies at no cost to the district other than a half and half share of any refunds found.
- 11.3** Approved Resolution Ratifying Tax Assessment Appeals and authorizing further action by the Solicitor and Business Office (attached).

12.0 Curriculum and Staff Development (Motion Carried)

- 12.1** Approved the Field Experience Agreement for student teaching and field experience placements between West Chester University - College of Education and the Wilson School District commencing the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year and terminating at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

13.0 Transportation (Motion Carried)

- 13.1** Approved the transportation contract with Gehmans Mennonite School for the school year 2016-2017 to transport four (4) Wilson students at a cost of \$3021.20 or a rate of \$4.15/student/day.
- 13.2** Approved the three transportation contracts with Berks Career and Technology Center for school year 2016-2017 for Wilson School District to provide transportation for district students. Wilson will receive \$398.07 per day as follows: two buses will transport to West Campus at the rate of \$114.64 per day/per bus; one bus will transport to East Campus at the rate of \$168.79 per day, generating revenue of approximately \$72,449.00.
- 13.3** Approved the sale of five buses and two vans which were placed for auction with Mathies & Sons, Inc. T/A 422 Sales. Final bid prices total \$24,821 for all vehicles.

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 (No Items)