

**Superintendent's Letter
November 23, 2011**

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.

PRESENTATIONS:

- 1) Audit Report by Herbein+ Company, Inc. (Ayes – 9, Nays – 0)
Request permission to accept the audit report from Herbein+Company, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2011.
- 2) Recognition of outgoing Board Members Dan Choma and Al Wicks

4.0 Ratification/Approval of the following (All Ayes)

4.1 Participations

- a.) Michael Fitzgerald and (6) high school students to Penn State Berks Campus to participate in the “Project Lead the Way” conference November 21, 2011. The conference is designed to educate guidance staff from across the state on “Project Lead the Way.” Students will demonstrate activities and answer questions from the group. No cost to students. Cost to school district (1) substitute and transportation.
- b.) The senior high varsity cheerleaders are requesting to compete in the following spring 2012 competitions:
 - Sunday, January 15th – Rebel Classic Cheer Championship in Howell High School, Farmingdale, NJ. Transportation and registration is provided by the WSD. No other costs to the school district.
 - Saturday, January 21st – Tri-State School & Rec Championships East Stroudsburg North High School. Transportation provided by the WSD. No other costs to the school district.

- Saturday, January 28th – Father Judge Cheerleading Comp, Philadelphia, PA. Transportation and registration is provided by the WSD. No other costs to the school district.
- Saturday, March 10th - Hawk Classic, St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA. Transportation and registration is provided by the WSD. No other costs to the school district.
- Friday, March 16th to Monday, March 19th - Nationals, Myrtle Beach, SC
No cost to the school district. (Requesting to miss one day of school, Monday, March 19, 2012)

5.0 Superintendent's Report (Ayes 9 – Nays 0)

5.1 Childrearing Leave of Absence

Allie Swope, Learning Support Teacher, Senior High, beginning approximately 3/9/12 and ending approximately 5/8/12

5.2 Resignations

Karl Foerster, Day to Day Substitute Teacher, eff. 11/14/11

Christy Halstead, Skills Tutor, Southern Middle School, eff. 11/14/11

Robert Ramsey, Skills Tutor, Southern Middle School, eff. 11/25/11

Julie Rickards, Grade 5, Cornwall Terrace, eff. 1/25/2012

Allysa Wenrich, Classroom Tutor, West Wyomissing, eff. 12/7/11

James Youndt, Study Hall Monitor, Senior High, eff. 11/18/11

Tonya Niehans, Monitorial Aide, West Wyomissing, eff. 11/17/11

5.3 Sabbatical

Kim Wilson, 1st Grade Lincoln Park, eff. 2nd semester of the 2011-12 school year.

5.4 Unpaid Leave

Jessica Stark, Science Teacher, Wilson West, 12/22/11 (1/2 working day)

5.5 Support Staff

Sandy Cobian, Substitute Child Care Supervisor, \$13.41 per hour, eff. 11/14/11

Wanda Geesaman, Study Hall Monitor, Senior High to Substitute Special Education Instructional Assistant, \$11.29 per hour, eff. TBD

Rhonda Hadfield, Substitute Special Education Instructional Assistant, \$11.29 per hour, eff. 11/22/11

Janice Jones, Substitute Library Aide, \$9.34 per hour, eff. 11/11/11

Janelle Lynch, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Whitfield Elementary, 29.5 hours per week, \$11.29 per hour, eff. 11/15/11 (replacing Janeen Mengel who is having a change of status eff. 11/23/11)

Jeanne Ramirez – Monitorial Aide at WW, 7.5 hours per week, \$9.34/hr, effective 11/18/11 (replacing Tonya Niehans who resigned)

5.6 **Hourly Teacher**

Bethany Kinney, Skills Tutor, Southern Middle School, 17 hours per week, \$15.73 per hour, eff. 11/29/11 (replacing Robert Ramsey who resigned eff. 11/25/11)

Ellen Widener, SOAR teacher, Green Valley, 17 hours per week, \$15.73 per hour, eff. 11/29/11 (replacing Teresa Small who resigned eff. 10/27/11)

5.7 **Change in Status**

Laura Adams, Study Hall Monitor, Senior High to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Whitfield, 25 hours per week, \$11.29 per hour, eff. TBD (replacing Kate Jenkin who resigned eff. 11/4/11)

Gabriella Antunes, Monitorial Aide, Cornwall Terrace to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Wilson West, 29.5 hours per week, \$11.29 per hour, eff. 11/16/11 (replacing Carol Forbes who resigned 10/12/11)

Gerald Bender, School Bus Driver to Substitute School Bus Driver, \$12.69 per hour, eff. 11/23/11

Steve Gerhard, increase of \$1,500.00 due to completion of Doctorate program, eff. 11/21/2011

5.8 **Certified Substitutes effective 11/22/11**

Alison Babbit	Ryan Grejdus	Sarah Morrissey
Casie Baer	Katelyn Grumbling	Lauren Pulaski
Lauren Baxter	Helen Hagerty	Alyssa Raven
Brent Behrenshausen	Kelly Hamilton	Mary Lynn Renner
Scott Bedford	Cindy Heimbach	Amber Reynolds
Ashley Bellevou	Amy Hofbauer	Jack Sassaman
Katherine Bertolet	Brien Kalnoski	Alison Schroeder
Colleen Boland	Christopher Laird, Jr.	Shane Shaffer
Dana Bux	Katelyn Lakin	Heather Shultz
Kristin Caccese	Ronald Lattanzio, Jr.	Cody Smith
Suzanne Cieniewicz	Amanda Lesagonicz	Shawn Smith
Allison Filer	Kierstin Levan	Daniel Talarico
William Folk	Heidi Liebegott	Danielle Wagner
Megan Galitz	Vanessa Macrina	Kimberly Wagner eff.
Kalyn Godziejewski	Jerome Manley	11/18/11

Michael Walsh
Cynthia Watras
Kathryn Weiss

Jerrold Wendel
Amy Werner
Carl Weston

Megan Yeich
Shana Yoder

5.9 Emergency Substitutes effective 11/22/11

Alexis Campbell
Erica Crisafulli
Rachel Edelstein
Rhonda Hadfield
Moi Li
Brian Garner
Joseph Narioka
James F. Polito II
Alison Pollack
Pamela Shields
Meghan Weik
Rhonda Hadfield

5.10 Extracurricular

Marching Band Staff- Fall 2011 season
Mark Allen- 304 hours
Vince Knecht- 300 hours
Lou Zanine- 231 hours
Stacey Chapparo- 185 hours
Ron Trostle- 191 hours
Danielle D'Ercole- 201 hours

6.0 Consent Items (All Ayes)

6.1 Accept with gratitude the following donations:

a) \$ 194.77 from VSN Photography to Southern MS to be used for student activities and supplies

Roll Call Votes

7.0 Human Resources (No Items)

8.0 Pupil Services (Ayes 9 – Nays 0)

8.1 Request permission to approve the adoption of a Settlement Agreement and Release and Educational Trust Agreement and to pay up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for attorney fees and forty thousand dollars

(\$40,000.00) be placed in an educational trust fund 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 agreements on behalf of the district.

8.2 Request ratification of placement of one 17-year old High School female on 11/11/11 into the Wilson/Governor Mifflin Alternative Education Program

8.3 Request approval of Resolution approving and adopting student discipline Waiver and Consent Agreement dated November 16, 2011.

9.0 Technology & Media (No items)

10.0 Finance (Ayes 9 – Nays 0)

10.1 Request permission for the creation of a Student Activity Fund for Senior High Girls Basketball.

10.2 Request permission to withdraw \$1,293.07 from the General Fund for deposit into the newly created Senior High Girls Basketball Student Activity Fund.

10.3 Request permission to submit the following delinquent accounts to Berks County Tax Claim Bureau:

- One Spring Township 2010 Interim tax bill
- Two Sinking Spring Borough 2010 Interim tax bills

10.4 Request approval of the budget transfers dated October 18, 2011 through November 21, 2011.

11.0 Transportation (No items)

12.0 Food/Cafeteria (No items)

13.0 Operations (No Items)

14.0 Policies (No items)

15.0 Miscellaneous

15.1 (Roll Call) Wilson Child Care – (Ayes 9 – Nays 0)

15.2 (Roll Call) Curriculum – (Ayes 9 – Nays 0)

15.1 Request approval to purchase a sign for the Berkshire Heights Early Learning Center, pending approval of all required permits, at a cost of \$5,100 to be paid by Wilson Child Care .

15.2 Request Approval of the following course offerings to be added to the secondary programs of studies for the 2012-13 school year:

- *Advanced Placement Language and Composition

- *Popular Culture (Social Studies elective)

- *Spanish for Native Speaker II (we ran level 1 this year)

- *Elective FCS 8 (Formally Independent Living, name change only- no curricular changes)