

# Wilson High School Site Council Minutes May 12, 2015

**In attendance:** Amy Durham, Amy Feller, Ariana Ward, Brian Chatard, Lisa Sloan, Maude Lamont, Rodney Maack, Cari Bacon Flick

**At Wilson High School, our mission is to educate young people in every capacity -- mind, body and spirit.**

We prepare students to succeed in their various roles in society: as workers who are responsible, innovative and ready to compete at a world-class level; as citizens who are both loyal to our community's democratic ideals and committed to the on-going work of forming a more perfect union in our heterogeneous society; and as adults who, in their private lives, balance the virtues of individualism, such as self-reliance, honesty, and personal initiative, with the cooperative ideals of justice, tolerance and compassion. In short, our goal is to foster in our students the core intellectual capacities and habits of the heart that will allow them to lead deeply engaged, productive and meaningful lives.

#### **District Milestones for High Schools**

1. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – on track (6 credits- core classes)
2. On-time graduation

#### **PPS Priorities for 2014-2015**

1. Third Grade Reading
2. Closing the gap for suspensions/expulsions for students of color
3. High School Graduation

#### **Agenda:**

1. Introductions
  - a. Approval of last meeting's minutes (postponed)
  - b. Scott Guthrie, science teacher and building representative for PAT attended
2. Old Business:
  - a. Election plan for parents – communications to parents will be sent this week and in Monday's Spotlight asking for parent nominations, due by Friday, May 22. Elections will take place May 23 – June 5.
3. New Business:
  - a. Scott Guthrie proposed a change to the site Council Bylaws. Instructional Leadership Team members may also be the same members that are elected to represent the teachers on site council. There is a potential for 8 teachers, so the proposal is to increase the total amount of site council members to 18 (vs. the current 15). These minutes represent the written proposal required. Site council will vote on this change to the bylaws at the June meeting.
  - b. Site council retreat planning – Goal is for a day-long retreat to review school achievement data in order to update school goals for the School Improvement Plan. We'd also be updating action plans. Optional dates are Wednesday, August 19 or Thursday August 20.
  - c. Wilson was ranked #8 High School in the state by [US News & World report](#)
  - d. Schedule next year will be 8 periods. Details are still being decided.
  - e. Short discussion on stress level of some students as the last weeks of the school year wind down. Discussion of a recommendation to send a note to parents reminding them to help their students focus and to support them through the last weeks.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 9, 2015**