

Wilson High School Site Council Minutes June 6, 2016

Members/Attendees: **Teachers:** Amy Durham, Amy Feller, Rodney Maack, Andrew Butterfield, ~~Jessica Rader~~, Nathan Pier, ~~Josh Martin~~, Nick Nohner, Jamie Suehiro, Sarabeth Leitch, ~~Brian Sahler~~

Administrators: Brian Chatard, Maude Lamont, ~~Ayesha Freeman~~, **Parents:** ~~Karla Wenzel~~, Cari Bacon-Flick, ~~Claudia Carlough~~, Sharon Scheurer, Lisa Sloan, Caron Kushner, **Classified Staff:** ~~Abby Menashe~~ **Students:** Jaden Salama, ~~Katy Piwonka~~, ~~Ian Morgan~~, ~~Marley Kinser~~, ~~Nina Vanspeybroeck~~, ~~Daniel Nyounai-Herrera~~, ~~Austin Smith-Covey~~, ~~Estee Emlen~~

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. 9th Grade – on track (6 credits- core classes)
2. On-time graduation

PPS Priorities for 2015-2016


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

WHS Site Council Goals 2015-2016

- *Graduation rate of 92% for entire population with no subgroups more than 5% below the total average*
- *Increase in historically underrepresented students in AP course and "3" performance on exams from 28 to 33%*
- *100% of 9th graders begin 10th grade with at least 6 credits*
- *Reduce exclusionary discipline for students of color by 50%*
- *90% of students attend 90% or better of all classes (including excused and unexcused absences)*

Agenda:

1. Positive Shout Outs 8:15-8:20
 - a. 3 students won 3rd place at a design event at OMSI over the weekend. Their design was a solar beach chair to charge phones, etc.
 - b. Audrey Jenkins won city wide art contest for Portland Farmers Market bag. 4th year in a row WHS has won this contest
 - c. Matthew Pigg – new parent elected and is attending site council meeting today with little notice
 - d. WHS band, cheer and color guard marched in Starlight Parade
 - e. Ray Panagapolis nominated by his students for teacher of the year and won
 - f. Tri-Met driver sent a shout-out to Brian for great help from students on a bus
 - g. Shout out to senior class – very accomplished class and kudos to the teachers that helped get them there
 - h. English and Social Studies crew helping to prepare for the Freshmen class
2. Approval of May minutes 8:20-8:30
 - a. Minutes approved as written
3. Business:

- a. Acknowledge people who are leaving site council/announce new parents/staff and students 8:30-8:40
 - i. New Parents joining
 - 1. Cari Bacon Flick
 - 2. Matthew Pigg
 - 3. Bettina de León Barrera
 - ii. Leaving Site Council – thank you!
 - 1. Lisa Sloan
 - 2. Karla Wenzel
 - 3. Austin Smith-Covey
 - 4. Daniel Nyounai-Herrera
 - 5. Estee Emlen
 - 6. Katy Piwonka,
 - 7. Jaden Salama
 - 8. Amy Durham
 - 9. Amy Feller
 - 10. Andrew Butterfield
 - iii. Students next year – both student body President and Vice President will be site council members. Balance of students will be nominated by teachers and Brian.
- b. Equity Grant review (budget, suggestions, discussion) 8:40-9:00
 - i. Brian submitted a proposal for Site Council to review for the \$25,000 PPSF Equity Fund Grant (attached)
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 - ii. Discussion on money dedicated to pay for staffing. There isn't another pot of money that the school can draw from to pay staff for work. Teachers also can use (and have) their professional development day, planning days, or just donate their time for this type of work
 - iii. Discussion about how much regular budget will be used for textbooks for the new classes; Brian has requested funding and is awaiting decision on budget. Funding for textbooks is scarce, so teachers and administration look for creative solutions
 - iv. If money appears that will pay for any items currently in the grant, Brian will submit a change and discuss at the retreat.
 - v. Site Council approved the grant plan as written.
- c. Update on work that will happen this summer on school climate and culture/conversations with students on culture expectations 9:00-9:20
 - i. Site Council will likely need a sub-committee to focus on this work, in addition to regular council meetings, especially in September and October.
 - ii. Brian vetted a number of ideas student groups. Kids' advice varied. Some advice was to focus more on the values and what's already established in the motto and mission, as opposed to a catchy phrase (e.g. PRIDE).
 - iii. On June 15 Brian has a meeting with Climate TOSA to begin planning for the fall, based on all the input from students. Site Council will discuss a proposal from Brian at the retreat.
 - iv. Cell phone and tech policy and practices will be one of the focus areas; getting consistency with the staff will be a priority.
 - v. Attendance: many practices will need to be updated, for both students and families and teachers; Brian will be communicating over the summer to families about this.
- d. Debrief experience of being on site council/brainstorm suggestions for future site council 9:20-9:40
 - i. Ran out of time for a discussion

- ii. Please send Brian any feedback about efficiencies, protocols, agendas, etc. that worked or suggestions for change

Next Meeting:

RETREAT: Monday 8/22nd, 8:15-3:15pm (staff back on 23rd) 8:30-8:40

Next year's meeting dates: Times are from 8:15 – 9:45

Tuesday, September 13

Tuesday, October 11

Tuesday, November 8

Tuesday, December 6

Tuesday, January 10

Tuesday, February 7th

Tuesday, March 14

Tuesday, April 11th

Tuesday, May 9th

Monday, June 5th