Wilson High School Local School Advisory Team (LSAT)
December 10, 2019

In Attendance: Belle Belew, Rebecca Bradshaw-Smith, Patrick Cassidy, Robin Chait, Sam Frumkin, Zerline Hughes Spruill, Patricia Milikin, Karin Perkins, Kim Martin (Principal)

Chair Sam Frumkin called the meeting to order at 7:05 am.

I. Technology Initiative

- Kim Martin and Patrick Cassidy gave an update on the rollout of DCPS’s 1:1 technology initiative.
- This year, all schools are to receive a personal device for every 3rd, 6th and 9th grader.
- Additionally, schools are to have functioning computers for all other students in grades 4-12 at a 3:1 ratio.
- Within three years, all DCPS students in grades 3-12, and teachers, are scheduled to have personal devices.
- At Wilson, 9th grade teachers have begun to receive their computers.
- To date, there has been negligible professional development for teachers relating to this initiative.
- At least in the first year, students will not take the devices home with them, and the school will be responsible for creating a system to check them in and out on a daily basis.

II. Scanning of old records and transcripts

- Three million files need to be scanned for electronic storage; paper records have been damaged/destroyed by time and flooding in the school
- Ms. Martin received bids from companies that scan documents for electronic storage; the lowest bid was $200,000
- In DCPS, individual schools maintain their own records; academic records must be maintained in perpetuity
- LSAT will do some research on what other schools are doing

III. Student trips abroad—accommodations with families

- DCPS has a new policy that does not allow students to stay with families on foreign trips
- We have a longstanding student exchange with a school in Italy
- DCPS is allowing it this year, but only if two students of the same gender stay at the same house
- The trip will continue for this year under the new parameters

IV. Discussion of presentation from the DC Justice Collaborative on the potential Wilson name change
• The principal is supposed to be informed, but neutral, per guidance from the Mayor’s office
• The LSAT advises the principal, but the principal cannot take a position on the name change
• There was a discussion of pros and cons of the LSAT taking a position on the name change
• The LSAT members are interested in hearing opposing viewpoints
• The group will continue discussing the proposed name change at the next meeting