



THE WILSON SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Overview & Purpose:

The Wilson School Board of Trustees has three main roles:

- Fiduciary: Oversight and assessment of the school mission and finances
- Strategic: Focused on multi-year planning
- Generative: Develop and share a vision for the future of the school

The Wilson Head of School (HOS) and Administrative Staff lead the day-to-day operations of the school. The board is not involved in decisions regarding student admission, student discipline or faculty and staff hiring and evaluation. The board hires and appoints the HOS, evaluates HOS performance annually and partners with the HOS to help deliver the Wilson School's mission.

Board Structure:

The Wilson School board operates via a committee structure. There are seven standing committees:

- Advancement
- Buildings and Grounds
- Excellence
- Executive
- Finance
- Strategic Planning
- Trustee Affairs

The board appoints sub-groups and ad hoc committees as needed to address topics such as Tuition Assistance, Investments and Technology.

The full board normally meets nine times during the year. Typically, committees meet monthly during the school year. Their agenda is set by our long-range plan, direction from the Executive Committee, and emerging needs of the school. The committees make policy recommendations for consideration by the entire board. All policy decisions and major capital expenditures are discussed and voted on by the entire board.

In addition to trustees, meetings are attended by our Head of School, School Administrators, and Parents' Association President. Emeritus Trustees are also welcomed.

Board of Trustees Membership:

The board can have up to 18 members and it is our goal to have representation on the board from parents of current students, parents of alumni, grandparents of existing students, and the community at large. Trustees may serve two three-year terms. Currently the board has 16 members, as well as ten emeritus trustees.

The board is self-perpetuating. Each year it recruits a new class of members to replace those retiring or whose term of service is expiring. New members are sought to represent a variety of constituencies, viewpoints, and talent sets. The board keeps a sharp focus on discerning the ability of prospective members to be stewards of Wilson into the future.

Interested in getting involved?

The board is always looking for dedicated parent volunteers to serve on board committees. Many of our current members were appointed as trustees after volunteering on these committees. Please contact David Christenson (dchristenson@pinpointstl.com) for more information.

The Wilson School Board of Trustees 2017-2018

Officers:

Alex Berger III - President

Board member 2007 – 2013, and since 2014

Alderman, City of Clayton

Rob Akred - Vice President

Board member since 2012

Alumni parent

Vice President, Wells Fargo Advisors

Steve Lawrence - Treasurer, Finance Co-chair

Board member since 2016

Current parent

Faculty, Washington University in St. Louis, School of Medicine

Megan Philip - Secretary, Excellence Chair

Board member since 2012

Alumni parent

Trustees:

David Christenson - Trustee Affairs Chair

Board member since 2012

Current parent

Co-founder, LDM Group

Rachel Delston - Advancement Co-chair

Board member since 2017

Current parent

Head of Research, Canopy Biosciences

David Farrell - Finance Co-chair

Board member since 2012

Current parent

Attorney

Mike Greene - Buildings & Grounds Chair

Board member since 2012

Alumni parent

Entrepreneur

Mary McKown

Board member since 2016

Alumni parent

Ross Murfin

Board member since 2016

Current parent

Professor, Southern Methodist University

Ben Park - Strategic Planning Co-chair

Board member since 2015

Alumni parent

Retired Boeing Executive

Kristin Scully

Board member since 2017

Current parent, Alumni parent

Reverend Ralph Siefert

Board member since 2014

President and Chief Executive Officer of Chaminade College Preparatory School

Leon Waxer - Advancement Co-chair

Board member since 2013

Current parent, Alumni parent

Scientist

Jennifer Woods - Strategic Planning Co-Chair

Board member since 2013

Current parent

Senior Assistant General Counsel, Monsanto Company

Angela Zeng

Board member since 2013

Current parent

President & Co-founder, Karuna Beverages

Ex-officio Members:

Thad Falkner - Head of School

Kelly Eidson - Parents' Association President

Trustees Emeriti:

Catherine Faught

Hal Faught (deceased)

Dora Gianoulakis

Ashley George Gill

Steven Goldstein

Cheryl Gutting

Joy Liss

Margaret Milbourn

Marian Nunn

Richard Rapfogel