

Washington Waldorf School Trustees Council Position Description

The Trustees Council (“Council”) is responsible for ensuring the overall well-being and financial health of the school as a non-profit entity, including supporting the school’s mission of bringing Waldorf education to our community. In practice, the Trustees Council’s role is focused on the school’s growth and development, and financial stability, including fundraising, setting the annual tuition schedule and approving the annual budget. Trustees Council activities are done with long-range planning and guidance as a priority.

To that end, the Trustees Council and College, with input from the broader school community, are responsible for developing a strategic plan to guide the school and its operations. Council membership includes representatives from the current and past parent community, the College of Teachers and other associates of the school and educational experts. The Faculty Chair/Head of School also serves as an ex-officio member. The Trustees Council carries out its mandate through the schools By-laws and council members should be able to communicate our vision and mission to others.

Position requirements:

- A clear devotion to the best interests of the school and an ability to act beyond personal bias.
- For parents, a minimum of one year of experience as a parent at WWS, with positive committee involvement. Exceptions to this can be considered for community members with other desirable qualities.
- Supportive of basic principles inherent in the Waldorf approach to education and Anthroposophy.
- Strong communication skills and a willingness and desire to participate in an open, collaborative decision-making process and to maintain a climate of mutual respect and appreciation.
- Willingness to demonstrate leadership in fundraising efforts to inspire other funders and supporters within the school community.
- Commitment to attending monthly Trustees Council meetings
- Commitment to joining and engaging in the work of at least one sub-committee of the Council annually.
- Commitment to upholding the confidentiality of Trustees Council meetings and discussions.
- A clear understanding that membership on the Trustees Council is a legal responsibility and that members have a fiduciary responsibility to the school.