SBLSD Parent Leadership Council

Oct. 5, 2022 | 10 - 11: 30 am

Schools in attendance:
Bonney Lake Elem, Daffodil Valley Elem, Donald Eismann Elem, Emerald Hills Elem, Tehaleh Heights Elem, Victor Fall Elem, Mountain View MS, Sumner MS

Agenda

	NOTES
Topic Strategic Plan Overview --- **Speaker** Superintendent Dr. Laurie Dent laurie_dent@sumnersd.org (253) 891-6080 --- **Resources** sumnersd.org/futureready One-page handout (all other documents) Video	**STRATEGIC PLAN OVERVIEW** - Referenced one-page handout, which included promise statement, goals, commitment to equity and Portrait of a Graduate. - Encouraged the group to think about how they can help us meet these goals, which will help us fulfill our promise. - We start and end with our promise; at the center of our district is student learning and to make sure every student is known, valued and supported. - These goals can only happen with people in this room and our staff. - Anything you can do as a PTA/PTO to help us achieve these goals would be greatly appreciated. Support comes in a lot of different ways for different kids: snack drive, scholarships, kindness drive - We want kids to look like a Portrait of a Graduate when it's time to graduate. We want kids to come back to our community and become great leaders. - The plan is called Future Ready and we're ready for the future. We're hoping to advance kids with our aspirational goals. - You can be our promise in action. Help hold us accountable. --- **Q:** How has the strategic plan been cascaded down to teachers? **A:** Teachers trained last year during soft launch. In-depth, 32-page document. This year, we're focusing on certain goals -- Elementary: Goal 1; High School: Goal 5; Everyone: Goal 4. Strategic in what goals we start with first and then thread in other goals. All departments have received training in the strategic plan as applicable to their departments and jobs. Every month we're coming back to the plan with plans to monitor. Each month there'll be school board presentations on the plan. Executive leads for each part of the plan to help implement the goals. **Q:** Can you talk about the pillars? **A:** This plan sits on four pillars that lift up and support it. Partnerships, safety, strong academics. Like parent partnerships, events.

Topic Peachjar (e-flyer distribution system) **Speaker** Allison Hollingsworth Communication Specialist allison_hollingsworth@sumnersd.org (253) 891-6087 **Resources** -sumnersd.org/peachjar -Uploading flyers infographic	**PEACHJAR** PTA, PTO and Booster groups can request to use the District's Peachjar account as a volunteer uploader to send their electronic flyers for events to families at their schools. To request an account, email the Communications Department at communications@sumnersd.org and let us know which email to add to the account. That user will then be added to the account and receive a confirmation email in their inbox. Once your account has been activated, you can submit flyers by: 1. Logging into Peachjar with your email account. A magic link to log in will be sent to your email inbox. 2. Upload the flyer you have created. Be sure to indicate the date you would like the flyer to be sent out. 3. Submit flyer and await approval from the Comms Office. If you are designing a flyer for your PTA, please ensure that the PTA group presenting the event is clearly labeled at the top of the flyer, with contact information available. Email communications@sumnersd.org if you have questions or need additional assistance!
Topic Classified Job Fair **Speaker** Assistant Superintendent David Brower david_brower@sumnersd.org (253) 891- 6076 **Resources** www.sumnersd.org/jobs	**JOB FAIR** The district needs paras, bus drivers, child nutrition staff and custodians. We've recently hired 53 paras. We've made adjustments with support and salary so we're competitive with our neighbors. Job Fair at Lakeridge Middle School, 4-6 pm, Oct. 6. Number one strategy is word of mouth. We also need subs -- teachers and paras, who are compensated well. Can sub in the school where your child attends. In September, we had a 93 percent fill rate for teacher classrooms. We're doing great!
Topic	**What are some ways we could make the Parent Leadership Council meetings, or meeting content, more accessible for**

Brainstorm: More inclusive, accessible meetings **Facilitator** Marilee Hill-Anderson marilee_hill-anderson@sumnersd.org (253) 891-6032 **Resources** Private Facebook group open to PLC members: "SBLSD Parent Group" To request an invite to the FB group, email communications@sumnersd.org	**everyone?** *Around the table share-out …* **DEE:** Evening meetings: childcare if we could have middle or high school volunteers watch the kids to be able to attend PTA meetings. Or split meetings -- night and day. Or weekend meetings, which also requires childcare. **BLE:** Have the meetings recorded so those who have to work are able to at least have the info. Like hearing Dr. Dent giving an update would be good to watch and then have a way to follow up. *Follow-up comments:* *(THE) The recording and meeting minutes too. Have something prebuilt for what it means for us. Have all contact info in meeting minutes.* *(EHE) Build on recording. Maybe do a recap live stream that someone goes over stuff where you can answer questions. 5-10 minute videos of someone giving minutes and elaborating on different parts.* **THE:** Make more use of the Facebook group. Drop minutes and livestream link there. Would love to see more chatter in that group. **MMS:** Thanks for having a zoom option. Keep it. Planning the meetings ahead with the dates this year is good. We're getting there and recognize the steps we're taking. **SMS:** If we keep meetings during the day, maybe change the days of the week.
Around the table updates All attendees	**SCHOOL UPDATES: Around the table** **BLE:** Proud of how principal is there to answer questions especially about safety. She sat down and talked with us and the safety committee. Implemented Watch DOGS. Pleased it's a priority. Celebration that we already met our membership goals that we hit last year, plus we've gone above and beyond with staff membership. Two years ago there were only 4 people. Now we have almost 100 members. Thinking about doing a Carathon looking about how to do it on our own so we get 100 percent profits and work into monthly character trait. **DVE:** Finally got a book vending machine. Used global vending group.com, 6500 included machine, wraps, lights included. Delivery delay. Kids love it, amazing. Partnered with A Good Book on Main Street to help keep books filled and Amazon wish list to parents to buy

	books. Taking donations as well. Want it to really be a NEW book. Been great, way cooler looking than we thought. Kids get a token, earn it and then also get one on their bday month. Readathon through Friday to also pay for books. **SMS:** Just getting going this year. Middle school parent involvement drops off. In the double digits in membership. New AP. Lots of ideas for student incentives and how we can help funding and volunteer for those. Doing more experiences instead of presents (lunch with principal, dance party, etc) Spirit wear sales. **EHE:** In the middle of Raise Craze. New AP, who they love. School came up with a theme: Be here where you belong. PTA tagged on Kindness. In the middle of it now. Put together an incentive list, but not spend tons of money but instead experience, Principal Taxi -- put in a chair and taxied around from place to place all day. Pie in the face. Find an animal for someone to kiss. Just calculated membership drive. Close to 100 percent staff involvement. Watch DOGS kick off on Tuesday. Art docent kick off. Chic-fil-A coming on the 18th and doing the first school event -- family movie night, renting inflatable slide, concessions, costume contest. Favorite movie character. Prep for winter wonderland. **DEE:** First in person meeting in September. Just finished up with a membership drive. Winning class ended up with a glow party. Watch DOGS started. Art docents, currently doing Raise Craze and planning for the fall festival for the end of October or November. Readathon in February and munch madness dominoes. After school events -- flamingo bingo and a dance. **THE:** Big presence and back to school night; cheers and tears kinder event; art docent orientation; coming up we support Watch DOGS with treats; Veterans Day celebration we support with carnations for Vets; getting ready for trunk or treat with music and food trucks and make it more of a carnival thing; first book fair in two years; figure out a polar express; explained to membership meeting that they're their own corporation in filing taxes, etc and they're unpaid, hard working volunteers. **MMS:** Last year's culture was a little rough; most middle schoolers in the smallest footprint of a building. This year with new admins -- Chad Davidson (assistant principal) and Leland Blechschmidt (dean). A lot more smiles. Good to see a couple of strong role models; was needed. Likes the changes seen this year. We're getting there -- construction. Had an empowerment speaker come. Allison was there. Talked about conflict resolution. Kids went through it as grade levels. Snack drive for the counselors. Superhero theme snack drive. Admin asked to help with the prize drawer; building on the PRIDE theme. ASB got dances

	lined up and was able to work on the dance. Pink out dance to sell candy. 28th; spirit night at Chick-fil-A. **VFE:** Kinder boohoo breakfast and wooden signs for pics; snack shelf stocked from Costco for staff to grab for anyone in need. Huge turnout for volunteers -- 200 people joined the volunteer list. Trying to find spots for everyone. First art docent meeting on monday with 40 people -- 2-3 for each classroom; Watch DOGS kickoff with 150 people coming with snacks; walk- a- thon fundraiser; did a Menchies fundraiser with a lot of people; book fair in November; We have officer structure and then committee leaders for book fair, teacher appreciation, fundraising, etc. So officers don't have to do too much. Found people to take on one area. We turned over a bunch of new people. Create a contact list so you can reach out to other people.
MISC OTHER ITEMS	**Paul Williams (School Board Member):** Encourages members to tune in to school board meetings -- either online/recording or in person. Stay involved. Take info you see at the board meetings and take back to your people. You're already doing a great job staying engaged and involved; thank you. **Dr. Thu Ament (Deputy Superintendent):** Forming a Safety Task Force. First meeting is Oct. 20. We have close to 60 people. We'll have sub-committees. It's a yearlong commitment. Overall task is to dive into what we're working toward. **Marilee Hill-Anderson (Director of Community Engagement and Homeless Services):** Last year had 231 homeless and now 107 students, year-to-date. Been one of the most heart gripping. See a need for clothing. Trilogy Serves donated hoodies and athletic pants. If you're looking for a drive, we need new clothing. One of our schools is sending out 85 backpack buddies. Sumner Food Bank and Emmanuel Food Pantry. Please have families sign up for free lunch program. School counselors can go to PTA and ask for donations -- yes. Underwear is also needed in health rooms.