



General Advisory Council

October 23, 2024

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sumner-Bonney Lake School District Zoom

- 1. Be present, participate, listen***
- 2. Define purpose, outcomes and commitments***
- 3. Honor time, team decisions, and commitments***
- 4. Engage in respectful communication and conflict.***

Minutes

In Attendance: Aaron Tomy (Director CTE, SBLSD), Heather Trudgeon (SBLSD Operations Specialist), Mitchell Lewis (Executive Director of Learning & Innovation, SBLSD), Ken Charboneau (Western Pulp), Jeff Lueders (City of Tacoma), Markus Loftis (Kenworth Truck Co), Val Sundby (SBCTC), Robyn Rich (SBLSD Technology Director), Laurie Dent (Superintendent SBLSD), Kelly Denn (Assistant Superintendent SBLSD), Jeff Baines (SHS Principal), Tony Clark (BLHS Principal), Melissa Nelson (Career Specialist, SHS), Leslie Lacaze (Commencement Bank), Heather Meuli (Career Specialist, BLHS), Andria Bonney (RN Seattle Childrens Hospital)

Ken welcomed members, and Introductions were done

Review Norms

Approval of [Agenda](#)

Leslie Lacaze motioned to approve the agenda

Markus Loftis seconded

No discussion

Approved

Approval of Previous Meeting [Minutes](#)

Jeff Lueders motioned to approve the minutes

Markus Loftis seconded

No discussion

Approved

Approval of Consent Items

[Approval of 2024-2025 CTE course offerings, instructors, conditional certificates](#)

[Washington STEM- Labor Market](#)

The General Advisory Council has reviewed labor needs data and determined that the listed courses continue to be offered in the Sumner-Bonney School District as they meet local needs.

Markus Loftis motioned to approve course offerings and instructors
Leslie Lacaze seconded
No discussion
Approved

District Updates

Dr. Dent gave an update on the [Bond](#). Prop 1, here to educate and inform on the bond package. This is to create room for growth. A committee to invest in the community. Our enrollment has increased 18%. Tony Clarke talked about Bonney Lake High School being overcapacity. Right now we have another graduating class over our capacity. Kelly Denn talked about Donald Eisman Elementary is over capacity one and a half elementary schools in one school. Classes are doubled up in gym and just busting at the seams. Lakeridge is overcapacity equivalent to four additional classes. We will increase by another 16% in the next 10 years. We will save money in the long run by running the bond now. SHS has a 2A gym for a 4A school. It will be built for the future and seat 1800. BLHS improvements will help visitors know where the main office is. It will also get 10-12 new classrooms. There will be a new middle school in Tehaleh that will hold 1000-1200 students. Tehaleh Elementary will get 8-10 new classrooms. New turf fields at multiple locations, including DVE & DEE. They are safer. LRE and CWE will receive safety upgrades. Clean Energy in all buildings. Aaron will be reaching out about what industry will look like in the real world in the classrooms. Cost of the bond is \$730M over the next 21 yrs. Tax rate about 4.63/1000. For example a \$500K home it will cost \$29 a month, a \$700K home it will cost \$41 a month. 60% approval is required to pass. Ken Charboneau asked if the district has ever ran a bond this big? No we have not. Leslie Lacaze asked if we have talked to local developers? Laurie Dent shared we have to have great relationships and connections with our developers.

Old Business

Review [GAC role](#)

Marketing Update-

- Leslie and Markus helping out with outreach video. This should be ready possibly by the end of December to share with other businesses. We were given a directive to work on our marketing and that is what we are doing. We have good materials we can share out. What other areas do we need to work on?
- Ken asked that we send a reminder out 30 days before next meeting with any questions that the members may need to answer.

Future Goal Suggestions for the Department- Start thinking about this for next time.

New Business

The State of CTE in SBLSD- [School Board Report](#)

- Last Year Highlights- IRCs, Dual Credit, Hiring out of HS
 - 1042 industry recognized certifications earned last year. Something students can put on their resume and it means something
 - Food Workers Cards
 - Adobe Certifications in Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects, Premiere Pro
 - Childcare Basics
 - Core Plus Aerospace Competency Certificate
 - CPR, First Aid, and AED
 - Autodesk Inventor
 - Microsoft Office in Word, Excel, Outlook, Powerpoint

- Unity Certified User: Programmer

- CTE Dual Credits Earned

- 2542 Dual Credits courses that earned college credit for free while in our high school CTE courses. Not running start students. Working on Marketing to help students sign up for these credits.
- Boeing Internships
- 8 seniors offered jobs Boeing - Hopefully students are doing well.
- Teaching Academy
 - 21 students passed the paraeducator test. For students that complete the Teaching Academy, they are guaranteed interviews in our district once they earn their teaching certificate. The district had it's first hire of a 2024 student that past the test and came back to work for the district as a para.

- In the 2024-25 academic year, we've introduced four new courses to expand our educational offerings. These include JROTC Air Force: Milestones in Aviation History and ASL I&II at BLHS and JROTC Army: The Developing Leader at SHS. Additionally, we've added Translation and Interpretation I and Teaching Academy II courses at both high schools. Translation and interpretation are students that speak English and Spanish learning skills to earn certificate. They have professional dress days
- Preparing for New Courses (Computer Science Essentials, JROTC-The Science of Flight and Army Let III, Plant Science and Greenhouse Management @ BLHS, ASL III) AP Computer Science on ramp to get to advanced courses and build up program. Have Greenhouse Mgmt at SHS and BLHS has a greenhouse that has not been used but available to have the course. BLHS has the Health Science paths.
- Warm Handoffs-making connections. Bridging Academics and Careers. Do more to help & get students to they want to be and figure things out.
 - COPE Connections-Field trip to Tacoma General. Internships next to healthcare workers to earn hours. 1 or 2 students have completed the program.
 - Career Day- Heather Meuli(Weeks) and Melissa Nelson
 - Work-Based Learning-Direct connections what careers look like.
 - Career Readiness Cords- We will need interviewers in late February.
 - Career Specialists tracking college-bound students to ensure they are getting guidance and college and career support. 5 field trips so far this year. Have regular student workshops.

- CLNA Updates

- Noticings from special GAC meeting
- CLNA Data
- Math scores are low - including math when possible and as a district continue to grow
- Multilingual student scores are low- In math and ELA teachers being trained on how to support students. Michelle and ML specialist doing a great job
 - [Non-traditional enrollment](#) is low- Males in classes that are more female careers and Females in classes with more male careers.
 - Action Steps
 - Hiring a consultant to manage family and community outreach and advertisement of our programs. [Marketing Themes and Plan](#)
 - Apply math content when applicable in CTE projects

- Intentionally recruit non-trad students to our programs- 4 out of the 8 students hired at Boeing were females.
 - Get SIOP training for our staff to support ML students
 - Create more direct hire or commitment opportunities for our seniors
- 5-Year Plan- take a few minutes to reflect on what your program needs to complete this year

Approval of [CLNA](#) and [5-Year Plan](#) - Business and Marketing in Program Review

Leslie Lacaze motioned to approve CLNA and 5-Year Plan

Ken Charboneau seconded

No discussion

Approved

Tours of our Programs- Kens favorite part and the appreciation that the teachers show.

- We'd like to offer in-person tours of our classes as we did last year. Is this something you would be interested in? If so, what day of the week works best for you? Yes. The morning of February 19th meeting. We will send out an invite to see who would like to attend a couple of weeks beforehand. Markus said it was eye-opening on the last tour to see classes being taught in the hallways of BLHS. Classes don't just need money; they need space.

Items from the floor

Career Specialists- Updates from School and Needs (Career Day and Industry Field Trips)

- Heather Meuli, Career Specialist at BLHS-Career Day on Monday 11/25/24 from 9-1, and then workshops from 1-2. Still, 4 weeks away, she has 33 out of the 50 needed. If you or someone else may be interested, please reach out to Heather (heather_meuli@sumnersd.org). The ideas for the workshops are what kids need to hear, not a typical class. Some workshops are Acing the Interview, Money Basics-Savings & Tips, Understanding Loans & Credit, Writing a Business Plan, Job Search & readiness, College Admissions, Local Scholarships, Adulting 101, Running Start, Alternative routes to Education. Still several openings available if you are interested.
- College & Career Fair is one week from today 10/30/2024. What are you going to do? Ken mentioned have a motivational speaker for the first 10 minutes at some point.
- Melissa - Needs help with Translation & Interpretation on 10/29/2024 from 12:15-1:15 1 class period with someone from HR to talk about hiring and ethics.. It is their professional Wednesday. Robyn Rich mentioned reaching out to Adriane Chacon from our own SBLSD HR department.
- Melissa - Student internships needed now not just in the summertime. One in particular needed is in IT. Robyn Rich mentioned SBLSD Tech department does year-long internships.
- 11/19 SMS is holding Mock Interviews from 7:15-9:30. With Middle Schoolers, this is fun, they take it seriously and it is usually their first time interviewing. We need 3 more people. Please reach out to Melissa (melissa_nelson@sumnersd.org)
- We have taken field trips to 3 local manufacturing companies, Apprenticeship field trip to South Seattle next month. Please share any suggestions that you may have for other field trips.

Principals - Nothing

Industry Partners

Future Meetings and Homework for next time

2024-2025 Meeting Dates (11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Zoom Meetings)

- February 19, 2025 - HS Program Tours (Hybrid meeting after tours at Central Office)
- May 21, 2025 (11:30-1:00, Zoom with Student Panel)

- Homework Questions
 - What are the current goals for the program area? Get this information from your PSAC meetings and bring back to our February meeting.

Motion to Adjourn

Markus Loftis motioned to adjourn

Leslie Lacaze seconded

No discussion

Approved

Next Meeting: February 19, 2025