

SEL Advisory Committee

Meeting Notes

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
April 25, 2023
[Via Zoom](#)

Attendee List

Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Allen (Alt)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bonnie McDaniel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Danielle Eidenberg
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tammy Bolen	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mick Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kristi Greenaway
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Butcher	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan Mosby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suzie Henning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jen Chong Jewell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Caryn Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Karls
<input type="checkbox"/>	Laurie Dils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Monika Schuller	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lauren MacDonald
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Fertakis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terique Scott	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tessa McIlraith
<input type="checkbox"/>	Laree Foster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katherine Seibel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Liz Pray
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian Freeman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Leiani Sherwin	<u>Staff, Presenters and Guests:</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Danielle Harvey	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maria Siguenza	Leonard Alvarez – OSPI (CISL)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fahren Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rayann Silva	Kate Calamatta – Highline PS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bill Kallappa	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Sorenson	Megan Gildin – Facilitator	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kasey Kates (Alt)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Debbie Tully	Lauren Gilmore – OSPI (CISL)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Josh Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>	Angel Williams	Diane Stead – OSPI	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lauren MacDonald	<u>Alternates</u>		Nick Yoder – Facilitator	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carola Brenes		

Welcome

Tammy Bolen

Warm Welcome

Megan Gildin

Legislative Report Recommendations

Equity Committee

[Google Doc: SEL Recommendations Edits as of 4.18.2023](#)

- SEL and Equity subcommittee provided additional feedback, which has been reviewed. Added input from GR. Some recs have disappeared because we're trying to prioritize. Some items are tasked to the advisory, so they were removed. Others were left in to acquire funding for their implementation.

- We're not looking to add or make any new recommendations. The purpose today is to make sure everything was captured and to make any needed changes.
- Due next week.
- Read and process the recommendation.
- Consensus: Are you in favor of the recommendation (heart), can live with the recommendation (star), or needs revision to be okay (X).
- For those that need revision, provide actionable changes to the recommendation.
- Consensus again.
- Recommendations to the Google doc can be added until Monday. Please make sure comments are specific and actionable.
- Second paragraph was not designed to be equitable. Quotation marks: is that necessary in recommendations to the legislature? Could be perceived as injurious.
- In 3c, there's funding to train all teachers in K–12, but previously PESB support. We should put more thought into support and funding in language.
- How is the funding issue worded in 3d – change wording to make ample provision of additional resources. Community members should be included in the training. Should not hedge on funding, should be able to continue. Regardless of funding, we would like the directive to remain in place. SEL should be living and breathing in all schools as-is. Funding is great, but the schools should still be doing teacher prep, especially when standards are changed. There are ways to get the work done without a grant, and they should be encouraged.
- We need to make policies more understandable and the principal or whoever is closer to the situation should have input. So far, if it's being required by the state, they need to do it. SEL assessments of students in general should be part of policy.
- Members read through comments with the opportunity to comment, agree/disagree.

Review of Introduction and Feedback

Sarah Butcher and Caryn Park

[Link to Introduction](#)

- Section on the bottom for possibly taking out: there's a direct between academic and SEL learning. We need to explain the benefits of SEL. Additional language regarding benefits will be in the legislative report later.
- Additional comments are welcome after the meeting. The introduction will be integrated and will be part of the report sent to members.

Upcoming Work and Next Steps

Nick Yoder

[Google Doc: What are 2–3 top priorities that we should \(continue\) to work on in the next advisory group that connects to the legislative report?](#)

1. General ideas from previous legislative report are in the slide.
2. We have addressed some of these in previous meetings in presentations and discussions in past meetings.
3. This will inform our next set of recommendations a year from now.
4. The CCDI standards from PESB have adopted into law now. This work aligns with supporting and discussing those standards.
5. How do we tie SEL to the strategic action plans? It might be good to put out some guidance on that.

Announcements

Tammy Bolen

[SEL Professional Learning Network](#)

- Annual membership letters are going out. This is an annual process.
- We will be asking for co-chairs for the next year. Please talk to the co-chairs if you are interested.
- Financial literacy poll: there was some difficulty with the poll. If you could please take the poll, it would be appreciated.
- SEL Professional Learning Network happenings:
 - **Webinar:** May 2- 4:00-5:00 p.m. -Practical Strategies for Elementary
 - **Webinar:** May 4- 4:30-5:30 p.m.- Practical Strategies for Secondary
 - **Demonstration Sites:**
 - Cape Flattery School District
 - Medical Lake School District
 - Richland School District
 - SEL Network Event survey – June 27, 2023, in Des Moines, WA

Legislative Update

Katherine Seibel and Sarah Butcher

[Bill Tracker](#)

- The legislative session finished on time and the budget came out. There's still more to learn, which we can present at the next meeting.
- The SEL grants are completely gone.

Public Comment

Tammy Bolen

There was no public comment.

Co-Chair and Member Q&A

Caryn Park and Sarah Butcher

- The SEL Advisory Committee is opening up nominations for new co-chairs. Caryn & Sarah are open to questions and to gather interest.
- Process of being a co-chair: In statute, our committee is staffed by OSPI and headed by people outside OSPI.
- In addition to regular meetings there are planning meetings. We work with the OSPI and AIR teams to make sure the committee's work is paced and effective.
- We want leadership to evolve so members can engage the work.
- The term is one year but can be extended.
- Any committee member can nominate themselves or poke a co-member.
- Working with a co-chair is very satisfying and challenges thinking. Input is always appreciated and creates balance in the work. It is definitely a growth opportunity.
- Even if you don't view yourself as a policy person, the work can be very interesting and satisfying.
- It's great to be able to really make a difference.
- Time commitments are increased, but doable.
- It's also an opportunity for shared commitment to the committee.
- Contact co-chairs or Tammy if you would like further information.

Next Steps and Reflection

Megan Gildin

[Meeting Reflections Jamboard](#)

- Continue to add to any of the documents.
- Our next meeting is May 23, 2023, 9:00 – 12:00.

Additional Resources

After-meeting notes:

- Carola Brenes will take over Kasey Kates' seat on the committee.
- Once the legislative report is done, SELAC leadership should meet with OSPI leadership (August?) to discuss siloing.
- Would it be possible to establish an external relations subcommittee?
- We need to find a way to have legislators serve on the committee.
- It would be valuable for getting the word out on SEL and set up an ally in the legislature.
- A statutory change would be required.
- Representation from both parties would be needed so as not to be construed as a partisan body — that perception could be weaponized.
- We are drafting a survey for future committee meetings. We may have one in-person meeting per year and spend the money saved on location, etc. on facilitation with AIR.
- Very pleased that the review of recommendations went so smoothly. Big shout-out to the subcommittee.