Summary of Partnership Action Team for International School 10/4/99 meeting at Lincoln High School 3:45-5:00 PM

John Stanford International School at Latona Elementary Mission: To Educate and prepare all students to achieve today and tomorrow in a global community and economy.

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PRESENT:

Michele Anciaux, Paul Aoki, Gordon Luke, Margreet de Leeuw, Chris Nielsen, Willair St. Vil, Rik Katz

NEXT MEETINGS:

October 18 3:45-5:15 PM Lincoln High November 1 3:45-5:15 PM Lincoln High

also coming up:

November 7-9 Port Ludlow Retreat November 13-14 Primary Years Program Training in Melville NY (for Concie, Nani, Margreet) December 18 AM - Kick-off Winter Walk (see below)

DISCUSSION ITEMS FROM 10/4/99 MEETING

1. New staff at Latona

- * Alyssa Beth Laugheed (sp?) Kindergarten Spanish
- * still open 1/2 FLES Spanish, 1/2 Curriculum Development (joint interview training is coming up people can attend this 1-hr training if they ever want to be part of an interview team)
- 2. Ideas to consider (from Karen)
- * Extend school day by .5 hour (e.g., 8:50-3:20 = 6.5 hours) to give more instructional time. (TOPS does this.)
- * Uniforms?? (check with Thurgood Marshall to see how that worked for their Bilingual Orientation Center program)

3. Decision-making process

* Some concern on the part of Latona staff about decision to offer 50% immersion (starting K/1 then adding a class each year. How/when was this decision made. Suggestion was made to make sure planning teams write down their decisions/discussions so they can be shared with all faculty.

4. Outreach Updates

- * put ad in Seattle's Child and Directory (for Nov.)
- * Ruth Walsh wants to donate \$2000/year. We talked about how to make this money "big impact" so she can feel she's making a difference. (She had researching John Stanford as part of her doctoral research.) Ideas:
- pay for specific professional development need
- help with uniforms (for kids who can't afford them)
- buy multicultural books for library
- * Ethnic Heritage Council we can get on their calendar if we plan joint activity (at the school) in Jan/Feb
- * Karen and PTA leader Jane Quick are attending the Parent Involvement Summit October 11 (see http://www.wastatepta.org Parent Involvement Summit)
- * Kick-off for John Stanford International School Winter Walk on December 18 with Latona kids going to Latona site for a ceremony with dignitaries (UW Pres. McCormick, Supt. Olchefske, head of construction), maybe put in a time capsule. Then walk back to Lincoln for hot chocolate. Press event.

UPDATES FROM PARTNERSHIP ACTION TEAM We're working on four areas right now (see 9/13 summary)

(1) Website (I'll send separate Email about this)

(2) Fundraising

* Fundraising - Library

Karen and Shay are working on a matrix to determine library needs beased on main themes (for instruction), integrated units, and strands. How many kids affected? What reading levels? What resources exist and what are needed. Bring to Nov. 1 meeting.

- (3) Connections with Latona School
- * Margreet is publishing column in Latona newspaper on John Stanford International School.
- * Also sent a letter home to Kindergarten parents explaining work of the committees and the fact that families will get the opportunity to ask questions at a meeting with Karen Oct. 12.
- (4) School/Community connections beyond Latona
 * Interest in working on International Baccaulaureate and
 articulation with middle school

- NEXT MEETING October 18, 1999
 * Debrief from Parent Involvement Summit
 * Look at Latona's strategic goals