From: sautnek@lmsd.org
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2026 8:59:16 PM
To: RanellF@lmsd.org
Subject: Re: sorry for the double emails
Sensitivity: Normal

Hi Frank,
Thank you for your patience on this reply, hope you had a good week. My thoughts below.
Kerry

From: Ranelli, Frank <RanellF@lmsd.org>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 11:37 AM
To: Kerry Sautner <sautnek@lmsd.org>
Subject: Re: sorry for the double emails

No problem about the follow-up. There is a lot here and I want to make sure we take the correct steps. Below are the things that were on the table in my head.

1. I didn't want to respond to the people who registered until we had the next policy committee meeting and, maybe, the next Board meeting.
    a. I think a simple - thank you for coming, we heard you and are taking it back to policy for next steps is always a good comms practice. The general rule is within 24-48 hours while the energy and memory of the meeting are still fresh. Waiting longer than a week signals that the meeting wasn't a priority to the district. I think an acknowledgement about how the discussion has really stayed with you and the team is a fine way to respond to the time between the meeting and follow up, and where the next steps will follow in policy.
2. During our policy prep meeting this past Monday, we spoke about how to lay out the discussion points and where they fit into any existing policies. Ex. Turning our current "Off and Away" procedures into policy - and, if approved, where that fits.
    a. Great - are we sharing this publically?
3. We also want to outline the step we are taking to strengthen filtering, monitoring, and appropriate use - all existing policies that can be revised.
    a. Great - are we sharing this publically?
4. We wanted to discuss the parent monitoring portal that will allow parents to see what their child has done on our device that day and implement further blocked sites when the devices are home.
    a. Yes - I remember you talking about that.
5. We also want to make sure (as we did with the Policy chairs) that the Board sees the vision in not allowing parents to totally "opt out" of getting a device and having to use it for part of our curriculum.
    a. Got it

You also talked about maybe having K-1 techless or carts only, tech free days, go-gardian(filtering systems)

I am not suggesting all of these ideas are public right away but I like the idea of share the big ideas with the community we heard.

1. Reduction of tech for our youngest learners
2. More robust filters at home and school for our middle school students
3. AI training and safeguards for our HS and MS students

I am not sure all of these are correct and maybe we need to make them more values based like the first two but I think big ideas that reflect back best practices that we can echo back to the community would be helpful to hear and focus

on.

Again - a lot here. I did not want to roll any of it out prior to our April set of meetings. - Yes not asking for that, more asking for. We heard you and we are taking steps and here is where you will see it come up next in policy. We never got a change to say that at the end of the meeting.

Important to note - I made sure these items are listed on the policy meeting agenda that will be made public on Friday so people will be aware we are discussing technology.
Thanks that answers a few of my questions above and just got the note from Megan too , thanks.

Let me know if you need any further clarification or have a different vision.

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From: Kerry Sautner <sautnek@lmsd.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 8:25 PM
To: Ranelli, Frank <RanellF@lmsd.org>
Subject: sorry for the double emails

Hey,
I know we talked about this last time we spoke, but we really need a follow-up to the community conversation on March 23rd.

1. Follow up to those who registered
2. Trends we heard
3. Next steps we are taking or areas under review - big picture we will continue...

Then that should be shared as an update at policy on Monday 13th and board meeting.
I am more than happy to draft if that helps you! I have crazy notes.

Kerry