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Dear D97 Leadership Vision Retreat Participant,

Happy Monday! I hope you had a lovely rest of your weekend. I was so happy that you were able to join me for Saturday's session. It was amazing to see everyone in the room engaged, participating and excited about the work. Thank you so much for attending!

I am looking forward to sharing more about the process of "**creating a shared, clear vision**" for the district's use in identifying 2-3 strategic priorities for the school community's unified attention over the next couple of years. Soon, look for more information from me regarding the process and timeline for this alignment work. Until then, please see a few elements of follow up for you from Saturday. I encourage you to share this information with other members of your team, department, or school.

Have a great day,

Carol

1. Below are the 8 Six Word Stories we collected; which might I say are fantastic!!

Six Word Stories – Final Version

1. Equitably empowering engaged collaborative resilient innovators
2. Developing visionaries evoking and sustaining effective change
3. Empowering all stakeholders to inspire visionary (moonshot) global collaboration
4. Equitably empower all learners to be empathetic resilient innovators
5. Community of engaged learners empowered to persevere and succeed
6. Equitably empowering all learners to be relentless innovative thinkers
7. A passion for equity and excellence
8. One transformative community empowering learners to be empathetic resilient leaders

2. Many of your attendees were asking for the link to Hall's Handouts. They can be found by following the link below and clicking on Oak Park Deck

Linkyy.com/HallDavidsonHandouts

3. There seemed to be a lot of interest around the Microscopes that Hall demonstrated, and so we wanted to provide more information on how to purchase those.

- On Amazon, the easiest search is for "45x Microscope" in Toys and Games. Sort by price from low to high.
- The Grommets, the small rubber piece you use to attach the microscope to your phone) you can get a hardware store, Home Depot, etc.
- Videos on how to connect the microscope to a tablet or phone (you have to have a rubber grommet—easy and cheap). [Here](#) is a How To Video by Tim Holt of Digital Discoveries and also, [here](#) is a how to video by the one and only, Hall Davidson!

4. There also seemed to be a lot of interest from Hall's presentation around a digital Math resource. We launched a **Math Techbook over a year ago and your teachers who may be interested can find some more information [here](#).**