# SELA Strategic Plan 2022-2027 Update

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# Strategic Plan 2022-2027 Dashboard





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#### Membership - Richard Exnicios

Goals	Current State*	Next Steps
1: Membership Growth• Youth: 3001 -> 4000• Adults: 904 -> 1000• Growth in all programs (Cub Scout, Scout BSA, Venturing, Exploring)	<ul> <li>Youth: 2491 (dip, post-rechartering)</li> <li>Adults: 846</li> <li>Note – +11% vs Apr '22</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ongoing discussions with professionals</li> <li>Addition of membership chairs for each district (Goal 5)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>2: Unit Growth</u></li> <li>Units: 118 -&gt; 150</li> <li>1 new Unit per district per year</li> <li>Unit growth in: Assumption Parish, St. James Parish, West Bank and New Orleans East</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Units: 123</li> <li>New Units: new female troop in FDL</li> <li>Underserved Parishes: none</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Document the new unit process</li> <li>Task force (Goal 4)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>3: SELA Scouting Alumni Association</u></li> <li>Hold at least one Alumni and Friends event a year</li> <li>Establish SELA Eagle Scout Association</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Not scheduled</li><li>Not established</li></ul>	Recruit an event chair
4: Establish a New Unit Task force	Not established	Create list of experts to be "on call"
5: Each District to have a Membership chairperson	None assigned	Work with DEs to identify potential chairpersons
6: Each District have a dedicated professional/District Executive	<ul> <li>FDL – Shannon Markward</li> <li>Pelican – Juan Prado (shared)</li> <li>Cataouatche – Juan Prado (shared)</li> <li>Cypress – Tracy Jones (shared)</li> <li>Bayou - Todd Connor (shared)</li> <li>Emerging Markets – Todd Connor (shared)</li> </ul>	Actively searching for new DEs



#### Finance/Endowment - Chad Dufrene

Measurements	Current State*	Next Steps
<ul> <li><u>1: Maintain a balanced budget</u></li> <li>Increase the Endowment</li> <li>Increase FOS contributions</li> <li>Develop at least one yearly fundraiser for each District</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Endowment: \$2.4M</li> <li>FOS: underway</li> <li>Fundraisers: Pelican (May), Bayou (Aug), St Charles (May)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Q1 23, assemble a campaign committee (Charles N, Bill M, et al)</li> <li>FOS: recruit FOS chair</li> <li>District fundraiser – 2 new events</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>2: Reduce the Council Program Fee</li> <li>2023: Reduce by 50% to \$20 for 2023</li> <li>2024: Continue at \$20</li> <li>2025: Reduce to \$0</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2023 fee is \$20</li> <li>2024 fee planned to be \$20</li> <li>2025 fee planned to be \$0</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Planned for 2024 Budget (in Dec 23)</li> <li>Planned for 2025 Budget (in Dec 24)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>3: Establish new channels for fundraising</u></li> <li>Campaign to reach Eagle Alumni residing in Council</li> <li>Establish capability for online giving</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eagle Alumni: not started</li> <li>Online giving: not started</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work with VP Membership</li> <li>Q1-Q2 23 – Research options on how to initiate</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>4: Boost the Endowment fund.</u></li> <li>Identify Endowment Drive Champion</li> <li>25 James E. West Recipients per year within the council and all Board members</li> <li>Double the current Endowment to \$5 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Champion: not started</li> <li>JE West Award: 5</li> <li>Endowment: (see Goal #1)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Q1 23 – Recruit a champion</li> <li>Present to board mtgs</li> </ul>



# Camp/Properties - Jim Stevenson

Measurements	Current State*	Next Steps
<ul> <li><u>1: Prioritize and complete needed repairs and improvements to</u></li> <li><u>existing physical plant</u></li> <li>Top 4 : Dining Hall Roof, Ranger House, Staff Lodge, Dam</li> <li>Upgrade facilities to deliver better program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Repairs: not started</li> <li>Upgrades: identified targets (swim dock, ship, castle, fishing dock)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dam: seeking board approval for investigation</li> <li>Others: obtain bids</li> <li>Upgrades: scheduling POOBAH projects &amp; days</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>2: Implement and utilize facility management software tool</u></li> <li>Employ the FIIX software by the end of 2023</li> </ul>	FIIX: not started	<ul> <li>Jim S to create framework, Louie Messina (VBar Program Director) to populate details</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>3: Become revenue break-even within 5 years</u></li> <li>By establishing a camp endowment to fund camp maintenance and development</li> <li>Expand outside-group usage of camp</li> <li>Explore additional revenue streams including solar and carbon credits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Camp Endowment: not established</li> <li>Outside groups: 0</li> <li>Additional streams: none identified</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Form Sustainability Task Force (Jim S, Alan H, Ken K, Newt J, Isaac W, Mark L)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>4: Develop a Camp Master Plan</u></li> <li>Develop consistent branding for buildings and facilities</li> <li>Identify future development/program areas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Branding: not started</li> <li>Future areas: not identified</li> </ul>	Initiate Camp Master Plan in Q2 23



### Programming - Ken Klemm

Measurements	Current State*	Next Steps
<ul> <li><u>1: Develop additional Council and District-level youth events.</u></li> <li>Increase the number of district camporees yearly to 4.</li> <li>Develop a council camporee</li> <li>Increase Scout (e.g. Shoot, Swim, Climb) and Cub overnighters to 8.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>District Camporees: 3</li> <li>Council Camporee: not established</li> <li>Camp Overnighters: 3, OA 3.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Incorporate during 2023-2024 calendaring process.</li> <li>Identify Council Camporee Lead</li> <li>COPC to look to add Spring Shoot, Swim &amp; Climb</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>2: Increase percentage of trained, direct contact leaders</u></li> <li>Become 100% YPT compliant</li> <li>Provide more program-specific training (Shooting Sports, Aquatics, etc.)</li> <li>Communicate expectation for adult training by Unit Commissioner involvement and improved messaging</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>YPT: 90% in Nov '22</li> <li>Program-specific Training: Shooting Sports</li> <li>Communicate Training Expectations: not started</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pull current stats. Work with commissioners</li> <li>Work with Aquatics &amp; Climbing leads for additional dates</li> <li>Reach out to Council Commissioner &amp; leverage Commissioners</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>3: Develop activities and community service events at unit and</u></li> <li><u>District levels</u></li> <li>Promote four civic engagement events per year</li> <li>Foster cooperation between Districts to develop events</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Civic events: Scouting for Food, Wreaths across America, 10 Commandments Hike</li> <li>Scouting for Food is done at District level</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reach to Activities Chair for update</li> <li>Activities Chair to ensure complete district coverage</li> </ul>



#### Board / Governance - Andrew Todd

Measurements	Current State*	Next Steps
<ul> <li><u>1: Formulate a succession plan</u></li> <li>Create an onboarding document for new members</li> <li>Have a standardized onboarding procedure</li> <li>Yearly evaluation of each member</li> <li>Yearly board retreat for new members</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Document: not started</li> <li>Procedure: not started</li> <li>Evals: in process</li> <li>Yearly retreat: in process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Document: to be developed during retreat</li> <li>Procedure: during retreat</li> <li>Evals: Continue reaching out to neighboring councils &amp; Key 4</li> <li>Retreat: Plan for retreat in Q1</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>2: Update bylaws</u></li> <li>Review the current bylaws and propose any amendments that might be needed</li> <li>To review the current listing of Executive Board Vice-Presidents and determine the best practice use of them</li> <li>Expand the role of the Risk Management Committee into educating, reputation management</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bylaw review: committee formed (confirm Pat Talley as chair)</li> <li>VP review: new VPs identified</li> <li>Risk Mgmt: expanded committee</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Anticipate committee meeting in Q1</li> <li>VPs: to be formally nominated / elected during Jan meeting</li> <li>Meeting scheduled for 1/17 to review expanded role &amp; scope. Do outreach @ Roundtables.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><u>3: Strategize on board identity going forward and define a vison for</u></li> <li><u>the future role the Executive Board</u></li> <li>The board must reflect our community</li> <li>Add members from NO East, West Bank, Terrebonne and Assumption Parishes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Board target: doing outreach</li> <li>Additional representation:         <ul> <li>Terrebonne +1</li> <li>Terrebonne - proposed new board member</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Board target: meet with leaders to identify potential board members. Working with BSA National pilot program.</li> <li>Continuing identifying &amp; recruiting from target areas</li> </ul>

