

# **SUMNER UNIVERSITY**

**2011**

## **Responses to Questions Attachment A**

**1. Please rate the following classes and instructors by circling the rating you believe is appropriate.**

1. Welcome: Needs more substance.
  - a. Policing: Great! Thanks for working the history of policing into today's policing.
  - b. Future of Sumner: Needs to be refocused on what the people want. Dump the statistics.
  - c. Sumner Story: Good job, Ryan!
2. Emergency: Could not hear her half the time.
3. Emergency: Katie was well informed.
4. Sumner Story: Struggled to retain my focus. I LOVE history.
5. Welcome: Very informative!
  - a. Public Works: Bill did a terrific job!
  - b. Future of Sumner: I wasn't sure how this program was to end.
  - c. Sumner Story: Happy Birthday, Ryan!
6. Future of Sumner: Interesting use of phrases like "protect ourselves". Us in reference to middle-class white. It was unintentional racist/classist/ageist, but noticed.
7. Sumner Story - Love your sense of humor!
8. Policing: made me feel prideful about our police dept!
  - a. Public Works: Did a great job communicating what Sumner is doing/needs to do to remain viable.
  - b. Future of Sumner: Did a great job communicating what Sumner is doing/needs to do to remain viable.
  - c. Emergency: Awesome, engaging presentation - she was great!
  - d. Sumner Story: Love hearing the history & connections with past & present.
9. Welcome/City Organization: Loved the Top 10 things to notice in Sumner.
  - a. Policing: EXCELLENT!
  - b. Future of Sumner: Great! Emergency: Great!
  - c. Sumner Story: Great!
  - d. What Makes Sumner: Great!

**2. Please rate the following classes for your interest in attending during a future Sumner University. This year's programs are also listed for those who may want to attend again or missed one of the concurrent classes.**

1. Roles and Responsibilities of a Councilperson.
2. Impact fees vs: mitigation.
  - a. Outsource Funding vs: City Management Services.
  - b. Capital Facilities/Funding
3. Crime stats - block watch info.
4. Annoyances - love the train whistles.
5. Protect Open Space/Farmland
  - a. Supporting local businesses Trails - connect to Orting
  - b. Walkable Sumner - all of Sumner especially within the school's walking zone.

6. What Rotary - Chamber, etc. do for community.
  - a. Workings of today's police dept.
  - b. Bldg. permits - general codes - fence heights, etc.
  - c. Farming

**3. How did you find out about Sumner University? (Please check the one that motivated you to attend)**

1. City Newsletter & City website
2. Attend each time.
3. Great City Newsletter!
4. Courier Herald

**4. What did we do well with Sumner University?**

1. Great - very informative.
2. VERY GOOD.
3. Everything just great!
4. Very informative. Wide range of interesting topics.
5. Love hearing about Sumner history.
6. Enthusiasm plus great info.
7. Allowed interaction.
8. Katie Gillespie. Sumner Story.
9. Getting information to the citizens.
10. History of Sumner. What makes this a great place - gives a voice.
11. Presented well.
12. Fostered creative involvement.
13. Blending history with new developments within the City.
14. Cookies, friendly staff, welcoming staff, presenters were awesome!
15. It was a good format and I enjoyed the different aspects.
16. Friendly people.
17. Loved the Mayor, some council members, City Planner and City Administrator being there.  
Wow, what an incredible learning - the workshops were very informative and it was great to meet the city officials.

**5. What could we have done better with Sumner University?**

1. Nothing - class was great!
2. More than I expected!
3. NOTHING - VERY GOOD.
4. Serve dinner! I thought you all did a wonderful event.
5. It was great!
6. Enhance subjects about "City" government.
7. Time management.
8. Offer two breakouts/sessions.

9. More time for conversation about topics. Sit in circle for presentations and comments throughout.
10. Sound like you're pushing certain plans in first session.
11. Drop the Styrofoam cups/less waste. Same with manual; I will keep but cover and binding are not recyclable.
12. Offer this more often.

**7. Are there any other comments or suggestions you would like to share with us?**

1. Sometimes hard to hear speakers.
2. I would attend SU if offered again (depending upon agenda).
3. I would like to see all of the City Council attend the meetings.
4. Great to see so many of our city leaders attending Sumner Univ!
5. Understand, but missed farming section and would have liked some Native American History - they were so important to those crossing the Pass. I really do love living here, we choose to live here, and we were not forced. I'd like to see Sumner retain its small town charm for generations to come and protect our valuable lands for them to enjoy.
6. Thank you for your hard work to place SU in motion. The subjects are most interesting and I would like to see more seniors and young people be educated about the many ways (without enough money) Sumner is such a livable city. Our Mayor, Council persons and all staff who worked so diligently to put together a workable budget for Sumner ... many thanks!
7. Send a reminder a couple of days before the sessions.
8. Perhaps the number of pages in the workbook - make sure workbook and slides correspond.

**8. Did you have any other questions for an instructor? (Please leave your phone number, address or email so we can respond)**

1. How do I apply/volunteer with a city commission? Thank you. Frank Bost  
(bbost8@msn.com)
2. Katharine Rode 1324 Rainier Street Sumner, WA 98390.
3. I am sorry to hear about the death in the family of the person doing the farming session.  
-Jan Dwyer Bang