

Student Improvement Leadership Team

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

Members Present: Mr. Hill, Krista Frechette, Don Myhre, Dave Soderholm, Ross Young, Sherry Augst and Kris Johnson

Principal's Update – Budget/Staffing Process for 2009-2010

- Mr. Hill met with Assistant Superintendent Kate Maguire concerning the budget and staffing process for the 2009-2010 school year.
- Due to declining enrollment there will be staffing cuts made across the district. Thirty-five FTEs will be cut with the possibility of additional cuts. How the OALC is impacted will depend on the budget and staffing package that the School Board adopts.
- Two budget and staffing packages (Packages A and B) have been proposed by the district for consideration by the School Board. Package B includes FTE cuts beyond thirty-five.
- Maintaining enrollment numbers at 200 (or above) in the day program and expanding the opportunities and enrollment in the after school programs (credit recovery and independent study) does not guarantee that the OALC will not be affected by these staffing cuts.
- The timeline including the dates for the district budget planning meetings are posted on the District 279 website.
- The school board will adopt a preliminary 2009-2010 operating budget on March 3rd.
- Mr. Hill has begun the process for staffing at the OALC. Considerations include compensatory dollars for 2009-2010 (approximately \$80,000); providing a balance of core subject and elective opportunities; and partnering with District 287 to provide programming and child care for teen parents.
- Staff is encouraged to watch for opportunities to provide input on the budget proposals.
- Mr. Hill also addressed questions about the impact of a stimulus package on the process and the role of the district spokesperson.

SILT Survey

- Discussion of the SILT survey results is postponed to the next SILT meeting.
- Don will send SILT members a copy of the responses tabulated by question.

Attendance

- Mr. Hill requested that Don Myhre, chairperson, e-mail absent SILT members.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 18th