



Finance and Facilities Committee Report

Glen Ellyn School District 41

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Title: FY2007 Budget Update - REVISED

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Background: In February, the Program Plan (Staffing) Level is set to be completed. The Finance and Facilities Committee previously received a report recommending the class sizes for grades 3-5 be raised to a maximum of 27. Also, “Site” budgets have been distributed to the site administration for completion by March 15, 2006.

Discussion: After the 2/9/06 Finance and Facilities Committee meeting the targets were presented to the principals. After much discussion a consensus was built that kept grade 3 at a targeted range of 23 – 25 students rather than increasing it to 27. The overall impact was the addition of one third grade section at Lincoln. This means an overall regular classroom decrease of .5 FTE.

According to Policy 4:10-AP, the Board is required to set the Staffing Level at the February Board Meeting. The administration has interpreted this to mean that the Board will approve the class size targets for the upcoming school year. This is followed in March by the adoption of the program plan.

Based on our analysis which looked at both spatial requirements and equity across the district, the administration is recommending that the Board adopt the following class size targets:

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- 20 – 22 students per class in grades K-2 (no change)
- 23 – 25 students per class in grade 3 (no change)
- 25 – 27 students per class in grades 4-5 (increased from 23-25)
- 26 – 28 students per class in grades 6-8 (no change)

This will provide us the classroom space to retain our current boundaries for the 2006-2007 school year, though it is expected that they will need to be adjusted for following school years. It also keeps the primary grades lower, focusing on early intervention for the needs of students.

Recommendation: The Finance and Facilities Committee recommend that the Board of Education approve the class size targets as presented for the 2006-2007 school year.

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