

Special Meeting of the
BOARD of EDUCATION of the SCHOOL DISTRICT of REEDSBURG
Official notice of meeting given and posted.

December 29, 2008

Central Office Building

7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 — Call to Order: Mr. Balda, Board president, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 — Roll Call: The following Board members were present: Steve Balda, Heather Scully, Gary Woolever, Mike Hartje, Jim Wiczorek, John Pearson and LuAnn Brey. Absent: None. Also present: Tom Benson, District Administrator; Pat Ruddy, Assistant District Administrator; Sharon Suchla, Director of Instruction; David Perrodin, Director of Pupil Services; Rob Taylor, High School Principal; Matt Terry, High School Associate Principal; Paul Bierman, Elementary Principal; Randy Johnson, Buildings & Grounds Director; Megan Porter, Reedsburg Independent, Ken Leiviska, Reedsburg Times Press; Tommy Lee Bychinski, Reedsburg Utility; Tom Demmin, WRDB and Barbara Sand, secretary (see sign in sheet for other attendees)

Agenda Item 3 — Report on Public Notice: Notice of the meeting was given to the Reedsburg Independent, the Reedsburg Times Press, WRDB radio and was posted at the Central Office Building, Reedsburg City Hall and the Reedsburg Public Library.

Agenda Item 4 — Revenue Limit Referendum:

Mr. Benson distributed a list of 95 ideas that he has received as suggestions for reducing the budget. The items on the list were received from a variety of sources (i.e. staff, community, board members, etc.) and are listed in alphabetical order. Mr. Benson reminded everyone that the list is a compilation of ALL ideas that have been received, with some ideas contradicting others on the list. Where possible a dollar figure is shown, indicating the approximate cost savings to the district if that item were reduced or eliminated from the budget. All costs shown are approximate and the compensation totals do include salary and fringe benefits.

The Board reviewed the list line by line with Administration answering questions and or providing clarification where necessary.

Following a lengthy discussion and in preparation for the next meeting (January 5), the Board asked for an administration recommendation of \$250,000 in cuts, which could be made prior to identifying a referendum question (or questions). The Board is also going to be looking for an additional list, totaling \$370,000, which would identify further cuts in the event a referendum does not pass. The total of those cuts (\$250,000 + \$370,000 = \$620,000), would balance the 2009-2010 budget.

Agenda Item 5 — Adjourn: There being no further business, motion by Mr. Pearson, second by Mr. Hartje to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Mr. Balda declared the meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Gary Woolever, Clerk
Barbara Sand, Recorder