

SODA SPRINGS JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
***SPECIAL* BOARD MEETING**
SEPTEMBER 6th, 2013
DISTRICT OFFICE
5:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JIM STOOR	CHAIRMAN
CHAD CHRISTENSEN	VICE-CHAIRMAN
DAN LAU	TRUSTEE
IRENE TORGESEN	TRUSTEE

1. Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Stoor called the Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Vice-Chairman Christensen and Trustee Lau were in attendance with Chairman Stoor on the phone and Irene Torgesen on another phone, as well as Dr. Molly Stein, Superintendent, and Jonathan Balls, Clerk, in attendance Trustee Alan Erickson was excused from the meeting.

1.1 Consider declaring a School Emergency Levy. Clerk Balls explained that we had seen an increase of 34 students from September 1, 2012 to September 1, 2013 going from 804 students to 838 students. Applying the formula provided by Idaho statute 33-805, this increase allows the board to declare a School Emergency Fund Levy of \$170,720.00, without a vote of the people.

Dr. Stein expressed her thoughts and concerns of declaring this emergency levy. Each trustee commented on the levy and the financial needs of the district. After some discussion the board, along with Dr. Stein and Clerk Balls arrived at the following needs of the district that these funds could be used for:

1. Additional Operating expenses including personnel and utilities
2. Preparation for the Smarter Balance Assessment
3. Materials, Software, and Professional Development needs to implement the Common Core standards throughout the District.

The board also wanted to make it clear that none of the monies would be spent without prior board approval.

After more discussion, Chairman Stoor asked for a motion. Trustee Lau made a motion to declare a School Emergency Fund Levy of \$170,720 because of the unprecedented student growth, but will not spend the funds without prior board action. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Stoor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:09pm.