

On September 24, 2010 the New Richmond Exempted Village Board of Education Finance and Audit Committee met with the following in attendance:

Mr. David Painter, Member Board of Education
Mr. Fred Heflin, Member Board of Education
Mr. Adam Bird, Superintendent
Members of the Public

The following was discussed:

New Richmond faces a certain loss of \$8 million a year in revenue in 2016 due to utility deregulation and a possible additional loss of \$1.4 million a year if Duke Energy wins its appeal on the amount of personal property taxes it pays. The \$8 million deregulation payment represents 30% of the district's revenue.

Mr. Bird has been asked by the Board to prioritize steps the board can take to offset the loss of revenue. Current district revenue is \$26,955,806 including funds put in escrow in case Duke wins its personal property tax appeal. Current expenditures total \$25,331,121.

Mr. Bird presented a list of 20 possible cuts and five possible revenues options.

Options for possible cuts:

1. Reduction in primary level teachers.
2. Reduction in secondary level teachers.
3. Reduction in art/music/PE/technology teachers.
4. Reduction in custodians.
5. Reduction in aides.
6. Reduction in bussing to state minimum.
7. Reduction in the number of athletic teams offered.
8. Reduction in staff salaries.
9. Pay freeze for all staff.
10. Provide additional retirement incentive.
11. Mandatory furlough for hourly staff.
12. Fluid elementary boundaries that allow for yearly change.
13. Reduction or cuts in field trips.
14. Reduction in the purchase of curricular material.
15. Close/sell Market Street Building.
16. Close/sell maintenance building on Front Street.
17. Close/sell New Richmond Middle School.
18. Eliminate optional pre-school.
19. Do not hire sub custodians.
20. Adjust start of school day to save transportation costs.

Market Street School

8:00 a.m.

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Options for future revenue included:

1. An income tax levy.
2. A property tax levy.
3. Move inside millage.
4. Pay to participate for athletics.
5. Building levy for new music wing.

The meeting was adjourned.

Sharon T. Stark, President

Teresa S. Napier, Chief Financial Officer