



*“Raising Expectations”*

Tuesday, September 21, 2010  
Board Room  
5000 West Cypress Avenue  
Visalia, CA

**SPECIAL PUBLIC BUDGET STUDY SESSION**  
*6:00 p.m.*

**A G E N D A**

In order to ensure that members of the public are provided a meaningful opportunity to address the Board on non-agenda items or agenda items that are within the Board's jurisdiction, non-agenda items may be addressed at the public comment portion of the agenda and agenda items may be addressed at the time the matter is considered by the Board. During the evening, many of the Board members will be speaking on various subjects. It should be noted that each Board member expresses only his/her opinion and not the opinion of the entire Board. Teleconferencing may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call.

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**Estimated**

**Timeline:**

***6:00 p.m.***

1. **OPENING BUSINESS**
  - 1.1 DETERMINATION OF QUORUM
  - 1.2 CALL PUBLIC SESSION TO ORDER
  - 1.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – JIM QUALLS

***6:05 p.m.***

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENTS / STATUS REPORTS / ACTION** (as applicable)
  - 2.1 General public comment on any school related topic may be heard at this time. The Board asks that any public comment on an item listed on tonight's agenda be addressed at the time the

item comes up for discussion by the Board. Pursuant to Board Policy, the Board may limit individual comments to no more than 3 minutes and individual topics to 20 minutes. Please begin your comments by stating your name.

2.2 PUBLIC BUDGET STUDY SESSION AND BUDGET REDUCTION PLANNING (Encl. No. 1)

*7:30 p.m.*

3. **ADJOURNMENT**


4. **NEXT MEETING**

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be September 28, 2010 with Open Session – Public Comment starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the VUSD Educational Complex located at 5000 West Cypress Avenue, Visalia and then adjourning into Closed Session. The regular meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room (unless otherwise posted).

VISALIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Encl. No. 1

Board Meeting Date of September 21, 2010

TO: Board of Education  
FROM: Craig Wheaton, Ed.D., Superintendent  
PREPARED BY: Christine Statton, CPA, Chief Financial Officer  
APPROVED BY: Robert Gröeber, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services  
PRESENTED BY: Christine Statton, CPA, Chief Financial Officer 

**AGENDA TITLE: Public Budget Study Session and Budget Reduction Planning**

**AGENDA SECTION:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Public Recognition/Proclamations/ Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Focus on Student Learning: Presentation/ Public Comment/Board Discussion/Action
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Comment/Public Interest Announcements/Status Reports/Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Routine Action
<input type="checkbox"/> General Agenda: Review/Public Hearing/Public Comment/Board Discussion/Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Panel Recommendations/ Action

**BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:**

District staff will present an overview of the Visalia Unified District Budget for 2010-11 and the projected district budget deficit for 2011-12. Staff will work with the Board and Superintendent to develop a conceptual framework for reductions, and will work with interested parties at the budget study session to further develop goals and guidance for the necessary reductions. This study session will focus on the cost of various district programs and staffing. Options for ongoing reductions will be the primary topic of this discussion.

**CONTRACT CHANGES:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For information only - no action required.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

N/A