

Extended Information Related to Ideas for Revenue

The following data were gleaned from across the three venues. Data was converted to type from the hand-written information provided by constituents at the Regional Meetings. Data was extracted from the notes taken by designated note-takers at the Stakeholder Listening Sessions. Similarly, data concerning new revenue ideas were derived from the online submissions made to the Blue Ribbon Task Force website.

This topic is isolated and presented in this Appendix because across all constituent groups at the regional meetings, when asked "*What ideas or new approaches might make those priorities more possible for schools in your community?*" nearly one-third (31%) of participants identified the need for a new revenue stream to fund education. The following comments are provided for the task force and for the reader to offer more specific information about comments related to revenue.

- Balance the tax load between ag land/homeowner, especially in opt-outs
- Benefits (tax breaks) for businesses that invest or partner with education
- Use area business to help with teacher development, technology, resources, and training
- Tap businesses to sponsor some extra-curricular to free up school money for other things
- Business/school partnerships, internships, etc.
- Sponsorships of students with businesses for technical education
- Funding sources from business community
- Use a progressive tax to increase revenue
- Income tax
- Income tax based on income levels
- State income tax, corporate income tax, do not increase sales tax, regressive
- State income tax as a confirmed source of funding for education
- Summer sales tax
- Summer sales tax, non-prepared food, no tax on real food
- 1/2 cent increase during summer months
- 1/2-1 cent sales tax across the board
- Sales/tourism taxation, corporate income
- Penny sales tax for education for 3-6 months/year, impact tourist dollars
- Gas tax 1 cent
- Summer tax with clear purpose for money
- Sales tax dedicated to extra education funding
- Penny tax-June, July, Aug
- Generate revenue! 1% tax increase over 3 month period
- Sales tax for education
- If we added 6% for transportation, let's add 10% to the budget for education
- Tourism tax 2%
- Sell energy-windmills
- More revenue sources-ex. lottery, penny tax
- Consider corporate tax credit scholarships as part of the funding solution to improve SD education
- Corporate sponsorship for specialized programs
- Corporate income tax for larger business to pay for future educated workers
- Corporate income tax
- Corporate support for funding in the classroom

- Corporate tax, enough of our history of corporate welfare
- Corporate income tax on box stores
- Corporate taxes on businesses
- Different way to fund education – state sales tax, state income tax dedicated to education
- Do “pay to play” for extra curricular activities
- Additional revenues – sales tax, property tax, redistribution of money, sales tax exempt
- Financial sector taxes
- Tax exempting reduced
- Hotel - \$1 additional to hotel room earmarked for education
- When selling tickets at the Sanford event center \$1 goes to education, corporate sponsors to fund projects
- Tax all online sales (new revenue source), where did all the lottery money go?
- Foundation fund - \$1 on the gate at all state sponsored school activities, beer tax
- Luxury tax
- Funding – tobacco, lottery, state income tax, tourism tax
- New source of funding, engage non-traditional foundation, philanthropy, etc.
- Can the state tap into trust funds that the state has access to (education enhancement trust)
- Tap into the state reserves
- Use financial reserves when times are tough. That’s what they are there for
- Business stipends to help hire teachers
- Outsourcing potential extra-curricular activities
- Dual enrollment and technologically supported education
- Take advantage of money saving strategies such as digital education
- Greater use of technology to reduce some expenses or transfer budget to teacher pay
- Honor gambling promise-supplement not supplant
- Guaranteed 50% of gambling money goes to education and addressing education first during session
- Fees on out of state fishing and hunting license
- Look for funding in other areas, grants, raffles, shop class that sells what they build, tax out of state PO boxes
- Explore federal funding possibilities such as the Race to the Top program
- Direct taxes from alcohol and tobacco to education
- Education needs its own funding source – not just moving money around
- Use a balanced approach – provide level of property tax relief while adding a half-penny sales tax