

**Raw data - # 1 issue shared from each table during report out
Feb. 1, 2007**

1. We need to educate the people to the fact that a levy is an investment not another bill.
2. We need to communicate the need for the levy.
3. Inform the public of the true value of education and at a level that all people can understand.
4. Show the community where the money is going.
5. There are many misconceptions out there about how tax money is being spent.
6. Education is more important than any sport.
7. It is important that the levy language be understandable and that people know what it will cost them personally.
8. Put the graph and spreadsheet in the paper. Let the public know about future cuts.
9. Seek input from the community as to why the levy failed.
10. Engage Monroe Township and the senior citizens in the importance of the levy.
11. A levy is needed. Solicit legislators for a temporary rollback for people in the city.
12. Voters need communication regarding what will happen if the levy doesn't pass.
13. Building trust and being more visible in the community is important.
14. Put the levy back on but perhaps a temporary levy for two years to decide about long-term issues.
15. There is a perception that we built new schools and now there is no money to operate them. Explain the difference between a bond issue and an operating levy.
16. Communicate with all different age groups.
17. We were misled by what this meeting was supposed to be. There needs to be some real true conversation.
18. Educate people who are not here.
19. Plan ahead. Additional cut information should be given. Continue community conversations.
20. Investigate income tax vs. property tax.
21. Explain to the public that grants have to be channeled in the direction that they were written for.
22. The well is dry. Cut costs, freeze wages, and cut benefits. Prove to people that we are using this money right.
23. Quality schools mean economic growth and will give people the desire to come back to Conneaut.
24. What is the money being used for?
25. We will lose quality people