



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TOWN MEETING
WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017**

Mary Ann Horay
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SCHOOL BOARD

3 years Vote for not more than **TWO**

ROB BRETON	<input type="radio"/>
KEN EYRING	<input type="radio"/>
CYNTHIA FINN	<input type="radio"/>
KELEIGH McALLISTER	<input type="radio"/>
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SCHOOL DISTRICT ARTICLES

Article 2. "Shall the Windham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,907,102 (gross budget) for the purpose of constructing and equipping a renovation and addition at Golden Brook School to be a pre-school, kindergarten and first through fourth grade school, construction and equipping of a renovation and/or an addition at Windham Middle School to include renovations to science labs, family and consumer science and technical education classrooms, and for the acquisition of approximately four (4) acres of land known as 114 Lowell Road, Windham, Rockingham County, New Hampshire as described in the Town of Windham Tax Maps as Lot 24-F-2500 and in Deed recorded Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, Book 3989 Page 2741; and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$38,107,102 of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; with the sum of \$800,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purpose of School Building and Construction, Renovation and Land Acquisition to be used to offset the project and to authorize the School Board to take any other action to carry out this vote; and to further raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$725,887.37 for the first year's payment on the bonds or notes?"

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(3/5 majority vote required.)

Article 3. "Shall the Windham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$547,000 for the purpose of an approximately 2,000 square foot expansion of the gym at Golden Brook School; and authorize the issuance of not more than \$547,000 of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the School Board to take any other action to carry out this vote; and to further raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$11,963.99 for the first year's payment on the bonds or notes?" If Article 2 does not pass, this article shall be null and void.

YES
NO

Not recommended by the School Board (3-2)
(3/5 majority vote required.)

Article 4. "Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$345,000 for the purpose of an athletic field expansion at the Middle School; and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$345,000 of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and authorize the School Board to take any other action to carry out this vote; and to further raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$6,571.77 for the first year's payment on the bonds or notes?" If Article 2 does not pass, this article shall be null and void.

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (4-1)
(3/5 Majority Vote Required)

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

SCHOOL DISTRICT ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 5. "If and only if Article 2 fails, shall the Windham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$590,000 by authorizing the withdrawal of that amount from the capital reserve fund established in March 2016 for school building, construction, renovation, and land acquisition (with no amount to be raised by additional taxation) for the purpose of the acquisition of approximately four (4) acres of land known as 114 Lowell Road, Windham, Rockingham County, New Hampshire as described in the Town of Windham Tax Maps as Lot 24-F-2500 and in Deed recorded Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, Book 3989 Page 2741?" If Article 2 passes, this article shall be null and void. (No amount to be raised by additional taxation.)

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 6. "Shall the Windham School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, Council 93, Local 1801 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
FY 18	\$17,355
FY 19	\$12,245
FY 20	\$20,828

YES
NO

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand, three hundred and fifty five dollars (\$17,355) for the 2017-2018 year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels?"

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 7. "Shall the Windham School District, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?"

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 8. "Shall the Windham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$140,000 for the purpose of a redesign and construction of a bus drop-off for the Center School? This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the redesign and construction of a bus loop is completed or by June 30, 2020, whichever is sooner."

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the School Board (4-1)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 9. "Shall the Windham School District create a Special Education Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-b for the purpose of meeting expenses to educate children with disabilities and name the School Board as agents to expend this fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$100,000 to be placed in this fund, with such amount to be funded from the June 30, 2017 unassigned fund balance available to transfer on July 1, 2017?" (No amount to be raised by additional taxation.)

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 10. "If and only if Article 2 fails, shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$700,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of a School Building Construction, Renovation, and Land Acquisition Fund established in March 2016? Funds cannot be withdrawn from this fund without a further authorization by the voters. Note: This appropriation is included in the Capital Improvement Plan and is recommended by the CIP Committee." If Article 2 passes, this Article shall be null and void.

YES
NO

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 11. "Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$49,995,312? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$49,211,740 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Windham School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only?"

YES
NO

*NOTE: Warrant Article 11 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)
(Majority Vote Required)

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT