# WARRANT TO CALL REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 14 BUDGET MEETING (20-A M.R.S. § 1485)

TO: Michael Duffy, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 14 (the "Regional School Unit") composed of the Towns of Raymond and Windham, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the Regional School Unit, namely, the Towns of Raymond and Windham, that a Regional School Unit Budget Meeting will be held at Windham High School, 406 Gray Road, Windham, Maine at 6:30 p.m. on May 17, 2023 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting Articles set forth below.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S WELCOME PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 2024 BUDGET OVERVIEW

**ARTICLE 1A:** To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

### ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ARTICLE 1: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.

School Board Recommends \$22,431,002.58

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education.

School Board Recommends \$10,243,395.42

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.

School Board Recommends \$0.00

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

School Board Recommends \$1,090,506.47

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

School Board Recommends \$5,300,741.43

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

School Board Recommends \$1,575,292.93

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

School Board Recommends \$3,178,931.92

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for

Transportation and Buses.

School Board Recommends \$3,525,538.94

ARTICLE 9:

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities

Maintenance.

School Board Recommends \$7,455,966.59

**ARTICLE 10:** 

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt

Service and Other Commitments.

School Board Recommends \$1,728,375.00

ARTICLE 11:

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other

Expenditures.

School Board Recommends \$280,00.00

### ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 14 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

**ARTICLE 12:** 

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

Recommended amounts set forth below:

Total Appropriated	Total Raised (and Regional School Unit			
(by municipality):	assessments by municipality):			
Town of Raymond	\$ 7,685,540.69	Town of Raymond	\$	7,685,540.69
Town of Windham	\$ 35,139,788.80	Town of Windham	\$	17,012,724.50
Total Appropriated		<b>Total Raised</b>		
(sum of above)	\$ 42,825,329.49	(sum of above)	\$	24,698,265.19

Explanation: The Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Regional School Unit must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

**ARTICLE 13:** 

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

School Board Recommends \$379,250.00

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Regional School Unit's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters.

ARTICLE 14: (Written ballot required.) To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$12,142,197.95), which exceeds

the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$12,142,197.95**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board Recommends \$12,142,197.95, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model \$12,142,197.95. The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: To continue programs and services that are presently offered, that are not covered or not fully covered by the EPS allocation model, such as athletics and co-curricular activities, Advanced Placement courses.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Regional School Unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Regional School Unit budget for educational programs.

### ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 from the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Board Recommends \$56,809,751.28

#### ARTICLE 16 AUTHORIZES TRANSFERS AMONG COST CENTERS

ARTICLE 16: Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget?

### ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

ARTICLE 17: In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school and other program purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

## ARTICLE 18 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Regional School Unit will appropriate \$669,615.10 for adult education and raise \$332,473.86 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

### ARTICLE 19 AUTHORIZES A TRANSFER TO AND EXPENDITURE FROM THE SCHOOL CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

#### **ARTICLE 19:**

Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer up to \$100,000 from unexpended balances to the School Capital Reserve Fund and to expend \$1,956,000 from the reserve fund for the following purposes in addition to amounts the voters have previously authorized to be expended from the School Capital Reserve Fund for these or other projects?

Location	Project	Project Estimate
District Wide	Network infrastructure	75,000.00
District Wide	BenQ Displays	40,000.00
District Wide	Paving	15,000.00
District Wide	HVAC controls	25,000.00
District Wide	Equipment for Food Service	100,000.00
Windham (HS/MA/PS)	Interior Lighting Upgrade	20,000.00
Windham High School	Science room	20,000.00
Manchester School	Site Development & Upgrades	1,500,000.00
Middle School/Field Allen	HVAC upgrades	10,000.00
Jordan Small School	Siding	20,000.00
Raymond Elementary/Jordan Small	Gym equipment upgrades	15,000.00
Raymond Elementary School	Drinking Water System Upgrade	105,000.00
Raymond Elementary School	Interior Lighting Upgrade	11,000.00
Raymond Elementary School	HVAC upgrades	100,000.00
	TOTAL	2,056,000.00

This Warrant given under our hand this day, May 3, 2023 at Windham, Maine

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A majority of the School Board of Regional School Lant, No. 14

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

Michael Duffy, Resident Regional School Unit No.