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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Windham, New Hampshire qualified to vote in District affairs: You are hereby notified of the following annual School District meeting schedule:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Windham High School in said District on the 5th day of February, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles 2 through 8. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended, and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Windham High School in Windham, on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote by official ballot on warrant articles numbered 1 through 8.

Article 1. Election of Officers (voting by official ballot March 8, 2016)

To the following school district offices:

- a. To choose one School Board member for the ensuing three years.

Article 2. “Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate the sum of thirty eight million, nine hundred and fifty thousand Dollars (\$38,950,000) 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 thirty eight million, nine hundred and fifty thousand Dollars (\$38,950,000) 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

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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 sum one million, one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) for the first year's payment on the bonds or notes? Note: eight hundred thousand Dollars of the first year's payment on the bonds or notes has been included in the capital improvement plan as approved by the CIP committee."

Recommended by the School Board (4-0)
(3/5 majority vote required.)

Article 3. Submitted by citizens' petition. "Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate the sum of three million, nine hundred and ninety four thousand dollars (\$3,994,000) for the purpose of renovating, constructing and equipping a running track and field with throwing and jumping facilities, with a multipurpose athletic organic synthetic turf, lighting and seating at the Windham High School; and to authorize the issuance of not more than three million, nine hundred and ninety four thousand dollars (\$3,994,000) 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 items thereof; and to authorize the School Board to take any other action to carry out this vote; and to further raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and ten thousand dollars (\$110,000) for the first year's payment on the bonds or notes?"

Recommended by the School Board (3-1)
(3/5 majority vote required.)

Article 4. "If and only if Article 2 fails, shall the Windham School District establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a School Building Construction, Renovation, and Land Acquisition fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred thousand Dollars (\$800,000) to be placed in this fund. Funds cannot be withdrawn from this fund without a future authorization by 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. (Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)

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Article 5. “Shall the Windham School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and WEA (Windham Education Association) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2016-2017	\$476,729
2017-2018	\$419,240

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and seventy-six thousand, seven hundred and twenty-nine Dollars (\$476,729) for the 2016-2017 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)

Article 6. “Shall the Windham School District if Article 5 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 5 cost items only?”

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)

Article 7. “Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and eighty-five thousand, one hundred and twenty-five Dollars (\$685,125) to be added to the Capital Needs and Building & Grounds Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2015?” (Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the School Board (5-0)

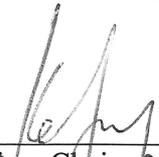
Article 8. “Shall the Windham School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling forty-eight million, five hundred and eighty-eight thousand, nine hundred and ninety-one dollars (\$48,588,991)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be forty-seven million, four hundred and sixty thousand, eight hundred and fifteen dollars (\$47,460,815), 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?”

Recommended by the School Board (3-2)

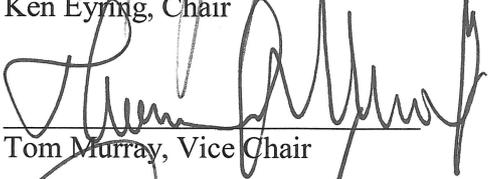
*NOTE: Warrant Article 8 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.

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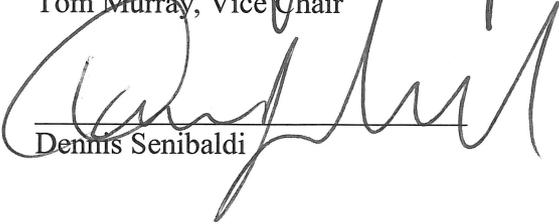
Given under our hands as said Windham, New Hampshire, on the 19th day of January, 2016.



Ken Eyring, Chair

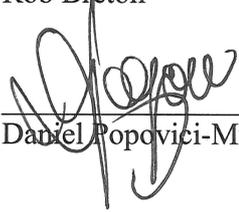


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