

Annual Budget Meeting
May 23, 2018
Durham Community School Gymnasium

Superintendent Foley officially called to order the Annual Budget Meeting for Regional School Unit No. 5 at 6:37 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Article 1A: Board Chair Ms. Ritcheson nominated Mr. Gregory Im for Moderator. Board member Ms. Sterling seconded the nomination. No further nominations occurred and Mr. Im was elected by unanimous vote. Superintendent Foley swore in Mr. Im.

Mr. Im welcomed all to the meeting and explained the following:

- Must be a registered voter to vote.
- Recording Secretary is Cynthia Alexander.
- Mr. Im asked to allow the following administrators in RSU5 who live outside Durham, Freeport or Pownal be allowed to speak at this meeting: Will Pidden, Hiram Sibley, Julie Nickerson, Jen Gulko, Lisa Demick, Erin Dow, Cynthia Alexander, Bonnie Violette, Dennis Ouellette, Seth Thompson and Michelle Lickteig. There were no objections to letting these people speak.
- The Maine Moderators Manual will be used as a guideline.
- Speakers must come to the microphone for discussion, state their name and town of residence.
- If you wish to end debate on a motion say, "I move the previous question". This requires a vote.
- Questions will go through the moderator.
- Warrant articles will be gone through as printed.

ARTICLE 1: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

School Board Recommends \$3,436,201

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 1 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 2: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

School Board Recommends \$1,536,594

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 2 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 3: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

School Board Recommends \$4,891,384

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 3 Passes in the amount recommended

- ARTICLE 4:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.
School Board Recommends \$74,492
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 4 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 5:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.
School Board Recommends \$269,645
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 5 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 6:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$13,378,386
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 6 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 7:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$778,737
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 7 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 8:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.
School Board Recommends \$928,152
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 8 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 9:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.
School Board Recommends \$1,432,489
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 9 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 10:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.
School Board Recommends \$1,613,149
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 10 Passes in the amount recommended
- ARTICLE 11:** Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education.
School Board Recommends \$4,606,796
Hand Vote - Yes: Article 11 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 15
RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 12: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded 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 (by municipality):		Total Raised (and Regional School Unit assessments by municipality):	
Town of Durham	\$ 7,925,848.17	Town of Durham	\$ 3,106,150.00
Town of Freeport	\$ 12,484,914.27	Town of Freeport	\$ 12,484,914.27
Town of Pownal	\$ 2,266,873.78	Town of Pownal	\$ 1,970,703.25
Total Appropriated (sum of above)	\$ 22,677,636.22	Total Raised (sum of above)	\$ 17,561,767.52

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.

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 12 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 13: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded 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 \$361,387.00

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.

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 13 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 14: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate to transfer to the school nutrition program.

School Board Recommends: \$268,245

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 14 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 15: (Written ballot required.) Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$7,465,478**), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$7,465,478**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board Recommends \$7,465,478, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$7,465,478. The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: The State's Essential Program and Services funding formula is a minimum model to support education in grades K-12. RSU No. 5 provides additional funds to support lower student/teacher ratios and additional co-curricular activities in addition to complete educational programs for all our students.

Written Ballot – Yes Article 15 passes as recommended
YES 44 NO 6

ARTICLE 16 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 16: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded to see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 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 \$32,946,025

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 16 Passes in the amount recommended

ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

ARTICLE 17: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that 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 purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 17 Passes as written

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

ARTICLE 18: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that if the Regional School Unit will appropriate **\$237,747** for adult education and raise **\$112,000** 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.

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 18 Passes as written

**ARTICLE 19 AUTHORIZES THE
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION BUDGET**

ARTICLE 19: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that the regional career and technical education operating budget as approved by the cooperative board for the year beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 be approved in the amount of **\$2,589,752?**

Moderator asks and receives general consensus of meeting to correct obvious typo in Article 19 ("June 30, 2018" corrected to "June 30, 2019")

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 19 Passes as written and corrected

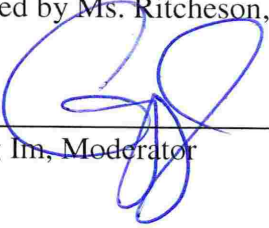
**ARTICLE 20 AUTHORIZES THE
CAREER AND TECHNICAL REGION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**

ARTICLE 20: Mrs. Ritcheson moved, Ms. Sterling seconded that Maine Region 10 Technical High School ("Region 10") establish a Capital Reserve Fund; authorize the Cooperative Board to transfer up to \$10,000 from undesignated fund balances to that Fund; and delegate authority to the Cooperative Board to expend that sum with other balances accumulated in that Fund from time-to-time on such specific items or types of capital improvements or equipment as the Cooperative Board has determined to be needed by Region 10?

Hand Vote - Yes: Article 20 Passes as written

Mr. Im reminded the body of the June 12, 2018 referendum vote.

Moved by Ms. Ritcheson, seconded by Ms. Sterling to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.



Greg Im, Moderator

5/24/2018

Date