Annual School District Meeting  
Washington, NH  
May 11, 2021  

Moderator Guy Eaton called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. He led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, introduced the School Board members, the ballot officials, the school district employees who were present and explained the rules of order. The Ballot Box was shown to be empty and was then locked. The polls were declared open at 6:36 PM and were closed at 7:15 PM.

Moderator Eaton noted that there were two School Board positions open, but the ballot had only one name and said to vote for one. Voters were welcome to write in candidates.

**Article 01** The following officials were elected by a non partisan ballot. A total of 18 ballots were cast.

School Board member for 3 years:

* Arin Mills 15

Arin Mills declared elected

School Board member for 3 years:

* Danielle Moore (write in) 5

Danielle Moore declared elected

Moderator for 1 year:

* Guy Eaton 18

Guy Eaton declared elected

Clerk for 1 year

* Colleen Duggan 17

Colleen Duggan declared elected

Treasurer for 1 year

* Ingrid Halverson 18

Ingrid Halverson declared elected

Write in candidates receiving fewer than five (5) votes are not recorded here.

**Article 02** Arin Mills moved to hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.
Motion Seconded by Cameo Mulliner

Approved by Voice Vote

Moderator Eaton asked if there would be a motion to allow non-residents to speak.

Kathy Atkins moved to allow non-residents to speak at the meeting.

Motion seconded by Linda Musmanno

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 03  Cameo Mulliner moved to determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District as follows:

School Board Chair  $750
School Board Member: $500
School District Clerk   $75
School District Treasurer $500
School District Moderator $100

Motion Seconded by Karen Belanger

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 04  Karen Belanger moved to see if the Washington School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,813,187 (two million, eight hundred thirteen thousand, one hundred eighty seven dollars) for the support of schools, the payment of salaries of School District employees, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, or take any other action in relation thereto. (This article does not include the budget of the School Administrative Unit.)

Motion Seconded by Linda Musmanno

School Board Chair Linda Musmanno reviewed the budget increases and decreases. She noted that the Washington apportionment was $176,939.00 and the total proposed budget was $2,990,126.00. The overall increase was $25,451.00 or .86 %

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 05  Linda Musmanno moved to see if the voters of the Washington School District would adopt a SAU Budget of $1,202,033 (one million, two hundred two thousand, thirty three dollars) for the forthcoming fiscal year in which $176,939 (one hundred seventy six thousand, nine hundred and thirty nine dollars) is assigned to the school budget of this school district. This year's adjusted budget of $1,185,316 (one million, one hundred eighty five thousand, three hundred and sixteen dollars) with $174,478 (one hundred seventy four thousand, four hundred seventy eight dollars)
assigned to the school budget of this school district, will be adopted if the article does not receive a majority vote of all the school district voters voting in this school administrative unit.

Motion Seconded by Kathy Atkins.

Moderator Eaton called for a brief break for paper ballot voting. He asked Steve Hanssen and Meg Robicheau to count the ballots.

The motion was approved by Paper Ballot

Ballots Cast 20 17 yes 3 no

Article 06 Kathy Atkins moved to see if the Washington School District will raise and appropriate the sum of $120,000 for the support of school projects as follows: for food service, $30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) and for Federal and State projects, $90,000 (ninety thousand dollars) with $120,000 to come from school lunch sales and State and Federal revenue. (No amount to be raised by taxation).

Kathy Atkins noted that this article allows the district to accept funds & grant monies.

Motion Seconded by Linda Musmanno.

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 07 Linda Musmanno moved to see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) to add to the unanticipated Special Education expendable trust fund created with the March 2005 Annual Meeting vote, for the purpose of paying for any unanticipated Special Education out-of-district tuition, related transportation and special therapy services and authorize the use up to the sum of $30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) from the year end unassigned fund balance (surplus) available on July 1 of 2021, if any, toward this purpose.

Musmanno noted that it can cost $250,000 – $300,000 per year to place special education students. She said there was $230,048.23 in the fund.

Motion Seconded by Karen Belanger.

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 08 Karen Belanger moved to see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000 (twenty five thousand dollars) to add to the Building/Grounds expendable trust fund created with the March 2005 Annual Meeting vote, for the purpose of maintaining and repairing school buildings and authorize the use of the sum of up to $25,000 (twenty five thousand dollars) from the year end unassigned fund balance (surplus) available after July 1 of 2021, if any, toward this purpose.
Motion Seconded by Cameo Mulliner.

Linda Musmanno noted there was $37,996.17 in the fund.

Jed Schwartz asked if any of the funds had been spent over the past year. Musmanno replied that they had spent $69,619.00 for a new boiler.

Approved by Voice Vote.

Article 09  To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

School Board Chair Linda Musmanno made a brief presentation to outgoing School Board member Karen Belanger and Moderator Eaton read a poem for her. Eaton also read a poem for Custodian Liz Sargent who has worked for the school for 20 years.

Linda Musmanno moved to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

Motion Seconded by Cameo Mulliner

The Polls were closed at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen Duggan
School Board Clerk

A True Copy – Attest:
Colleen Duggan
School Board Clerk