

TOWN OF ACTON, MAINE

WARRANT

TO

ROBERT ANDERSON

A CONSTABLE IN THE TOWN OF ACTON

YORK, SS

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Acton, qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the **Acton Elementary School, 700 Milton Mills Road, on April 22, 2014 at 7 o'clock** in the evening to act on the following Acton School Warrant articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator for said meeting.

Richard Nass was nominated and seconded as moderator. No other nominations heard. Richard Nass was elected moderator by written secret ballot.

Moderator Nass asked for permission for the following non-residents to speak if necessary:

Superintendent Ken Aldrich, Finance Director Kim Oliver, Special Education Director Joy Kiely, Treasurer Michelle Rumney and Town Clerk Jennifer Roux.

So moved, no objections were heard from the governing body.

ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 12 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ARTICLE 2:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Regular Instruction.

School Committee Recommends: \$2,582,006

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$2,582,006 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 2 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$2,582,006; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 3:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Special Education.

School Committee Recommends: \$914,346

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$914,346 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 3 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$914,346; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 4:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Career and Technical Education.

School Committee Recommends: \$0

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$0 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 4 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$0; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 5:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Other Instruction.

School Committee Recommends: \$42,545

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$42,045 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 5 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$42,545; Seconded by Mary Stanton.

Joan Nass made a motion to amend the article to accept the Warrant and Finance Committee Recommendation of \$42,045; Seconded by Deborah Casey. Motion Failed.

Original Motion in the amount of \$42,545 was then voted on; motion carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 6:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student and Staff Support.

School Committee Recommends: \$366,766

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$366,766 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 6 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$366,766; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 7:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for System Administration.

School Committee Recommends: \$216,873

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$216,873 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 7 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$216,873; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 8:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for School Administration.

School Committee Recommends: \$174,805

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$174,805 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 8 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$174,805; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 9:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student Transportation.

School Committee Recommends: \$252,610

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$252,610 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 9 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$252,610; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 10:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

School Committee Recommends: \$422,524

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$422,524 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 10 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$422,524; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 11:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

School Committee Recommends: \$0

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$0 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 11 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$0; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 12:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for All Other Expenditures including Nutrition.

School Committee Recommends: \$123,778

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$123,778 for Nutrition Program (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 12 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$123,778; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLES 13 AND 14 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 13:

To see what sum the municipality 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 **\$3,648,588** and to see what sum the municipality will raise as the 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.

School Committee Recommends to Raise: \$3,476,262

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends to Raise: \$3,476,262 (4-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 13 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$3,476,262; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

“Explanation: The school department’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 a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.”

ARTICLE 14:

(This Article requires a written Ballot)

To see what sum the municipality will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$1,323,887**) that exceeds the state's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$1,246,841**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee.

The School Committee Recommends: \$1,323,887 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$1,246,841**: The Essential Programs and Services allocation model does not fully support all the costs of a K-12 program. These funds support programming not included in the Essential Programs and Services Model.

The Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Raise and Appropriate \$1,323,387 to fund programs that exceeds the EPS requirements, including Kindergarten, Nutrition Program and Transportation for High School Students.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school department'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 of non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Acton School Department budget for educational programs.

Judith Shain made a motion to recommend \$1,178,567 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,101,521: The Essential Programs and Services allocation model does not fully support all the costs of a K-12 program. These funds support programming not included in the Essential Programs and Services Model; Seconded by Mary Stanton.

Article 14 was voted on by written secret ballot:

22 – YES

4 – NO

Motion Carried; Article Passed to recommend \$1,178,567 for additional local funds which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,101,521.

ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 15:

To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 from the School Department'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 Committee recommends: \$5,096,253

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$5,095,753 (4-1)

Explanation: This article is a summary article and approves expenditures of the proposed budget of \$5,096,253. This article authorizes the School Committee to spend the money appropriated in the previous articles, plus other revenues. The article does not raise any additional money.

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 15 as recommended by the School Committee in the amount of \$5,096,253; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLES 16 THROUGH 18 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

ARTICLE 16:

Shall the School Committee 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?

**School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article
Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article (5-0)**

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 16 as recommended by the School Committee; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town of Acton will appropriate the receipt of certain Federal and State Grants and carry any previous balances for the following Special Revenue Accounts:

Title IA	Title IIA
Local Entitlement	Preschool
Small Rural School	HS Diploma

**School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article
Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article (5-0)**

Judith Shain made a motion to adopt Article 17 as recommended by the School Committee; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 18:

To see if the Town of Acton will vote to appropriate the following Revenues, Balances Carried and Fund Transfers, to fund the food service budget in addition to amounts raised by taxation for food services in the school operating budget.

School Nutrition Revenues	\$70,000
Total	\$70,000

**School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article
Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article (5-0)**

Judith Shain made a motion appropriate \$70,000 as recommended by the School Committee; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

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

ARTICLE 19:

To see if the Town of Acton will vote to transfer funds from the unexpended balances at the end of 2013-14 fiscal year to the Designated Capital Reserves Account. This account is used for purposes of major renovation, capital equipment, and emergency repairs.

School Committee Recommends: \$46,522

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: \$46,522 (5-0)

Judith Shain made a motion to transfer \$46,522 as recommended by the School Committee; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Article Passed as recommended by the School Committee.

Judith Shain made a motion to recess the meeting until 8:00am on Tuesday, April 29th, 2014 at the Acton Town Hall; Seconded by Mary Stanton. Motion Carried. Meeting Recessed at 7:55pm.

After the conclusion of the vote on the warrant articles, the meeting will be recessed until Tuesday, April 29, 2014 at 8:00 am, at which time the polls for the referendum question listed below will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road, Acton, Maine to vote on the following question:

QUESTION 1

Do you favor approving the Town of Acton School Budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest Town meeting held on April 22, 2014?

Signed this 3rd, day of April, 2014.

Ss/Theodore Kryzak Jr.
Ss/William Shields
Ss/Edward Walsh
Acton Board of Selectmen

**Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Roux
Town Clerk**