

**TOWN OF ACTON, MAINE**

**WARRANT**

**TO  
DAVID COTE**

**A CITIZEN IN THE TOWN OF ACTON**

**YORK, SS**

**ACTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET ARTICLES TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FOR  
THE FISCAL YEAR 09**

**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 on June 11, 2008 at 7 o'clock** in the evening to act on the following articles, to wit:*

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose a moderator for said meeting.

Richard Nass was elected moderator by secret ballot.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. (Account # 1100, 1120, 1200, and 2230)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 2,650,260

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to appropriate \$2,650,260 as recommended by both the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee, seconded by Bill Lotz.

Tom Chase made a motion to amend the article to \$2,600,000, seconded by John Moore. Motion Failed.

Vicki Ridlon made a motion to vote on the article by secret ballot, seconded by John Moore. Motion Failed.

Original Motion, made by Michaud, seconded by Lotz to appropriate \$2,650,260 passed.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education. (Account # 2100, 2200, 2300, 2500, and 2800)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 895,156

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$895,156

Percival Lowell made a statement to correct the typographical of the Warrant and Finance Committee Recommendation – it should have read \$894,156.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee's Recommendation of \$895,156, seconded by Bill Lotz.

Percival Lowell made a motion to amend to the article to the Warrant and Finance Committee Recommendation of \$894,156, seconded by David Cote. Article carried as amended.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. (Account # 2900)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 74,216

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee recommendation of \$74,216, seconded by Bill Lotz. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. (Account # 2120, 2130, 9100, 9200, 2213 and 2220)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 203,000

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee recommendation of \$203,000, seconded by Andrea Berry. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration. (Account # 2300)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 215,168

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$213,484

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee's recommendation of \$215,168, seconded by Bill Lotz.

David Cote made a motion to amend the article to accept the Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$213,484, seconded by Percival Lowell. Article carried as amended.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration. (Account # 2400)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 149,536

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$144,639

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the Warrant and Finance Committee recommendation of \$144,639, seconded by Andy Brazier. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. (Account # 2700)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 211,082

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$211,082, seconded by Andy Brazier. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. (Account # 2610)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 404,258

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$404,258 seconded by Bill Lotz. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments. (Account # 5100)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 209,468

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$209,468 seconded by Andy Brazier. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. (Account # 3100)

School Committee Recommends: Appropriate \$ 124,910

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$124,910 seconded by Bill Lotz. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 12:** 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 (Recommend \$ 3,643,804) 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: Appropriate \$ 3,362,277

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Explanation: The school administrative 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 a municipality must raise in

order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$3,362,277 seconded by Andrea Berry. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the Town of Acton raise and appropriate \$ 1,493,250 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,493,250 as required to fund the budget recommended by the Acton School Committee?

The Acton School Committee recommends: Appropriate \$1,493,250 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$1,412,988.

The Warrant and Finance Committee recommends: Appropriate \$1,485,669 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs And Services funding model by \$1,405,407.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative 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 Acton School Department budget for educational programs.

*Note: This article must be voted by recorded vote per M.S.R.A § 15690*

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$1,485,669, seconded by Andy Brazier. Article was voted on by secret written ballot. Article passed 63-21.

**ARTICLE 14:** To see what sum the municipality/district/unit will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 from the school administrative 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 Committee Recommends: Authorize \$5,137,054

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Authorize \$5,129,473

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the Warrant and Finance Committee's recommendation of \$5,129,473 seconded by Andy Brazier. Motion passed.

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will appropriate the receipt of certain Federal and State Grants and carry any previous balances for the Special Revenue Accounts:

School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the article as written and recommended by the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee, seconded by Bill Lotz. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any unanticipated school related revenues, such as reimbursements, grant, donations, building use fees or awards that are not part of the school operating budget, subject to the approval of the School Committee.

School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the article as written and recommended by the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee, seconded by Andrea Berry. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following Revenues, Balances Carried and Fund Transfers, to cover the expenditures appropriated in the previous articles. Remaining funding required to be raised by taxation.

School Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 221,710
School Nutrition Revenues	65,000
General Purpose Aid	281,527
State Agency	10,000
Medicaid	50,000

School Committee Recommends: Adoption of the Article

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Accept the School Committee's Recommendation.

Richard Michaud made a motion to accept the article as written and recommended by the School Committee and Warrant and Finance Committee, seconded by Bill Lotz. Article passed.

Richard Michaud made a motion to recess the meeting until 8am on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008, seconded by Bill Lotz.

After the conclusion of the vote on the warrant articles, the meeting will be recessed until Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 8:00 am. At which time the polls for the referendum question below will open from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm.

*“Do you favor approving the Acton School Department budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest municipal school unit budget meeting, on June 11, 2008, and that includes locally raised funds that exceed the required local contribution as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act?”*

Approved and Signed on: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nancy Ruma, Chairman of the Board of Selectman

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Michael Conway, Selectman

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Richard Neal, Selectman