

**TOWN OF ACTON, MAINE  
WARRANT  
TO  
Robert Anderson  
A CITIZEN 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 **Acton Elementary School, 700 Milton Mills Road, on April 5, 2016 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 written secret ballot.*

**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:** To expend \$2,473,284 for Regular Instruction.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$2,473,284 for Regular Instruction.

*Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$2,473,284 for Regular Instruction as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.*

**ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Special Education.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$1,048,120 for Special Education.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommend:** To expend \$1,048,120 for Special Education.

*Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$1,048,120 for Special Education as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.*

**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:** To expend \$0 for Career and Technical Education.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$0 for Career and Technical Education.

*Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$0 for Career and Technical Education as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.*

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Other Instruction.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$45,869 for Other Instruction.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$45,869 for Other Instruction.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$45,869 for Other Instruction as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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:** To expend \$525,240 for Student and Staff Support.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$525,240 for Student and Staff Support.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$525,240 for Student and Staff Support as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for System Administration.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$217,444 for System Administration.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$217,444 for System Administration.  
(5-1)

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$217,444 for System Administration as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for School Administration.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$124,042 for School Administration.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$124,042 for School Administration.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$124,042 for School Administration as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student Transportation.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$264,000 for Student Transportation.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$264,000 for Student Transportation.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$264,000 for Student Transportation as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the Town of Acton will authorize the School Committee to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

**School Committee Recommends:** To expend \$435,720 for Facilities Maintenance.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$435,720 for Facilities Maintenance.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$435,720 for Facilities Maintenance as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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:** To expend \$0 for Debt Service.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$0 for Debt Service.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$0 for Debt Service as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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:** To expend \$129,487 for All Other Expenditures including Nutrition.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend \$129,487 for All Other Expenditures including Nutrition.

Judy Shain made a recommendation to expend \$129,487 for All Other Expenditures including Nutrition as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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 Pre-kindergarten to grade 12, as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, **\$3,451,644.72** and to see what sum the municipality will raise as the municipality’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-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 appropriate **\$3,451,644.72** for the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 and to raise **\$3,261,854.49** as the municipality’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12.

Total Combined State & Local .....	<b>\$3,451,644.72</b>
Less State Subsidy .....	<b>-\$189,790.23</b>
Amount Required by State from Town .....	<b>\$3,261,854.49</b>

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To appropriate \$3,451,644.72 for the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 and to raise \$3,261,854.49 as the municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12. (5-1)

Judy Shain made a motion to appropriate \$3,451,644.72 for the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 and to raise \$3,261,854.49 as the municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

*“Explanation: The school department’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-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 \$1,571,561.28**) that exceeds the state’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$1,496,317.75**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee.

Additional Funds Calculation:

Total Budget .....	<b>\$5,263,206.00</b>
Less Undesignated Funds .....	\$-170,000.00
Less State Subsidy .....	-\$189,790.23
Less Nutrition Revenues .....	-\$70,000.00
Total Budget - Less Revenues .....	<b>\$4,833,415.77</b>
Less Amount Required by State from Town (Art. 13) .....	-\$3,261,854.49
Additional Amount Raised by the Town (Art. 14) .....	<b>\$1,571,561.28</b>

Exceed:

100% EPS Allocation .....	<b>\$3,526,888.25</b>
Total Budget - Less 100% EPS Allocation.....	<b>\$1,496,317.75</b>

**The School Committee Recommends:** To raise and appropriate **\$1,571,561.28** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$1,496,317.75** The Essential Programs and Services allocation model does not fully support all the costs of a Pre-K-12 program. These funds support programming not included in the Essential Programs and Services Model including items such as transportation, nutrition, and other educational and support programs.

**The Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To raise and appropriate **\$1,571,561.28** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$1,496,317.75** The Essential Programs and Services allocation model does not fully support all the costs of a Pre-K-12 program. These funds support programming not included in the Essential Programs and Services Model including items such as transportation, nutrition, and other educational and support programs. (5-1)

Judy Shain made a motion to raise and appropriate **\$1,571,561.28** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$1,496,317.75** The Essential Programs and Services allocation model does not fully support all the costs of a Pre-K-12 program. These funds support programming not included in the Essential Programs and Services Model including items such as transportation, nutrition, and other educational and support programs as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton.

Article 14 was voted on by written secret ballot. Results were 33 in favor, 4 opposed.

*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 Pre-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.*

#### **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, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 from the School Department's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-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:** To expend **\$5,263,206.00** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 from the School Department's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grades Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To expend **\$5,263,206.00** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 from the School Department's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grades Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12. (5-1)

Judy Shain made a motion to expend **\$5,263,206.00** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 from the School Department's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grades Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

*Explanation: This article is a summary article and approves expenditures of the proposed budget of \$5,263,206. This article authorizes the School Committee to expend the funds appropriated in the previous articles, plus other revenues. The article does not raise any additional money. The following estimated revenue sources to be used are:*

**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:** To authorize expenditure of grants and other funds as per Article 16.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To authorize expenditure of grants and other funds as per Article 16. (6-0)

Judy Shain made a motion to authorize expenditure of grants and other funds as per Article 16 as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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	Proficiency Based Learning

**School Committee Recommends:** To appropriate receipt of Federal and State Grant funds as per Article 17.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To appropriate receipt of Federal and State Grant funds as per Article 17.

Judy Shain made a motion to appropriate receipt of Federal and State Grant funds as per Article 17 as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**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**

**School Committee Recommends:** To Appropriate revenues to fund the Nutrition budget as per Article 18.

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** To Appropriate revenues to fund the Nutrition budget as per Article 18.

Judy Shain made a motion to appropriate revenues to fund the Nutrition budget as per Article 18 and as recommended by the School Committee. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

**ARTICLE 19 AUTHORIZES A MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURE  
IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to allow the expenditure of up to **\$25,000** from the Undesignated Fund for **Security Renovations to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office and the Creation of a Municipal Lobby** at the Acton Town Hall.

**Board of Selectmen Recommends:** Approve the Article as Written

**Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends:** Approve the Article as Written

Ted Kryzak made a motion to approve article 19 as written. Seconded by Mary Stanton, motion carried. Article passed.

Mary Stanton made a motion to recess the meeting until 8:00am on Tuesday, April 12th, 2016. Motion carried.

After the conclusion of the vote on the warrant articles, the meeting will be recessed until April 12, 2016 at 8:00am, at which time the polls for the referendum questions listed below will be open until 8:00pm at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road, Acton Maine.

**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 5, 2016?

**QUESTION 2:**

Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in the Town of Acton for an additional three years?

Signed this 15th day of March 2016,

ss/Theodore Kryzak Jr.

ss/William Shields

ss/Edward Walsh  
Board of Selectmen

True Attested Copy

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Jennifer Roux, Town Clerk