

2014 PELHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Pelham in the County of Hillsborough and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon district affairs:

FIRST SESSION OF ANNUAL MEETING (DELIBERATIVE)

You are hereby notified that the first session of the annual meeting of the School District of the Town of Pelham will be held at Sherburne Hall, 6 Village Green, in said Pelham on Wednesday, February 5, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. for explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles number 1 through number 6. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended, and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

SECOND SESSION OF ANNUAL MEETING (OFFICIAL BALLOT VOTING)

You are hereby notified that the second session of the annual meeting of the School District of the Town of Pelham will be held at Pelham High School, 85 Marsh Road, in said Pelham on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at 7:00 A.M. for the choice of School District Officers elected by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on the official ballot, and to vote on all Warrant Articles from the first session on official ballot per RSA 40:13, VII. The polls for the election of School District Officers and other action required to be inserted on said ballot will open on said date at 7:00 A.M. and will not close earlier than 8:00 P.M.

ARTICLE A

To elect by ballot the following School District Officers:

School Board Member	3-Year Term
School Board Member	2-Year Term
School District Treasurer	3-Year Term
School District Clerk	3-Year Term
School District Moderator	3-Year Term

ARTICLE 1

Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Million, Six Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand dollars (\$22,654,000.00) for the construction, furnishing, and equipping of an addition to Pelham High School and remodel of the existing Pelham High School facility, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Twenty-Two Million, Six Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand dollars (\$22,654,000.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and to authorize the School Board to apply for, accept, and expend federal, state, or other aid which may be available for the project and to comply with all laws applicable to the project, and to take all other necessary action in connection therewith; and to further raise and appropriate the additional sum of Five-Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand, Five-Hundred dollars (\$597,500) for the first year's payment of interest on the bond? *Three-fifths (3/5) ballot vote required.*

*Recommended by the School Board
(5-0-0)*

*Recommended by the Budget Committee
(10-1-0)*

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the vote at the first session of the annual school district meeting, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling Twenty-Seven Million, Five Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-One dollars (\$27,599,381)? Should the article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty-Seven Million, Six Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand, and Nine dollars (\$27,666,009), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pelham School District or by law; or the School Board may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. *(Majority vote required).*

*Recommended by the School Board
(5-0-0)*

*Recommended by the Budget Committee
(8-1-1)*

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Pelham School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Pelham School District and the Pelham Education Association (PEA) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year at current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$ 185,216
2015-2016	\$ 199,696

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand, Two Hundred and Sixteen dollars (\$185,216) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(Majority vote required)*.

Recommended by the School Board
(5-0-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee
(7-1-0)

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Pelham School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Pelham School District and the Pelham Education Support Personnel Association (PESPA) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year at current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$ 89,292
2015-2016	\$ 42,999
2016-2017	\$ 58,373

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred and Ninety-Two dollars (\$89,292) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(Majority vote required)*.

Recommended by the School Board
(4-1-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee
(4-0-2)

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Pelham School District vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-b for the purpose of educating educationally disabled children, and raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) to be placed in this fund, and to designate the School Board as agents to expend? *(Majority vote required)*.

Recommended by the School Board
(5-0-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee
(7-4-0)

ARTICLE 6 (By Petition)

Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand, and Ninety-Three dollars (\$32,093.00) to continue to provide Child Benefit Services to 101 Pelham school children (Grade K – 8) attending Saint Patrick School? *(Majority vote required)*.

Not Recommended by the School Board
(1-4-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee
(7-3-0)

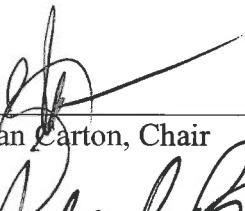
ARTICLE 7 (By Petition)

To see if the voters will authorize the reduction of the school budget by \$1,375,000.00 (approximately 5%)? *(Majority vote required)*.

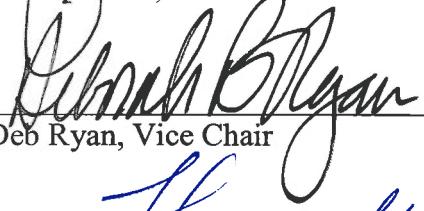
Not Recommended by the School Board
(0-5-0)

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee
(1-10-0)

**GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID PELHAM THIS 22 DAY
OF JANUARY 2014.**



Brian Carton, Chair



Deb Ryan, Vice Chair



Thomas Gellar



Megan Larson



Carl Wiswell

Pelham School Board