**STRATHAM** 

# **ABSENTEE** OFFICIAL BALLOT **ANNUAL ELECTION** EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Susan E.H. Bendroth SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

MARCH 13, 2018

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office. C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

THESE POSITIONS ARE SECTED BY THE VOTEDS OF ALL SIV TOWNS

OF THE EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT		
FOR EXETER MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD For Term Ending 2021 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	FOR STRATHAM MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD For Term Ending 2021 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	FOR EAST KINGSTON MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE
MARGARET (MAGGIE) BISHOP 153 (Write-in)	HELEN JOYCE \$20  (Write-in)	For Term Ending 2021 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE  DAVID PENDELL  (Write-in)
MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD  For Term Ending 2019 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE ROBERT L. HALL  (Write-in)	SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR  For Term Ending 2019 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE KATHERINE B. MILLER  (Write-in)	FOR EXETER MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE  For Term Ending 2021 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE
FOR NEWFIELDS MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD For Term Ending 2021 Election VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE PAUL BAUER  (Write-in)		(Write-in)  FOR STRATHAM  MEMBER ON COOPERATIVE  SCHOOL DISTRICT  BUDGET COMMITTEE  For Term Ending 2021 Election  VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE  DEBORAH BRONSON 444
	ARTICLES	PENNY LEE 285 (Write-In)

Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,030,776 for the purpose of renovations and additions to the Cooperative Middle School in order to accommodate for changes in programs and expanding needs of the school; \$23,030,776 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; and further, raise and appropriate an additional \$438,704 to meet the necessary financial obligations associated with the project's debt service for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

The School Board and the Budget Advisory Committee both recommend the adoption of this article. (3/5 ballot vote required for passage)

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

#### ARTICLES CONTINUED

## Article 02: ERCSD Operating Budget

Shall the District 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 vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$58,948,101? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$58,337,579 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body 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. The School Board and Budget Advisory Committee both recommend \$58,948,101 as set forth on said budget. (Majority vote required)

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## Article 03: Collective Bargaining Agreement

To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Cooperative Paraprofessional Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2019	\$181,078
2020	\$118,918
2021	\$117,393
2022	\$119,324

and further to raise and appropriate \$181,078 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The School Board and the Budget Advisory Committee both recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

#### Article 04: CRF for Synthetic Turf Replacement

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$50,000 to be added to the Synthetic Turf Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established under the provisions of RSA35:1 for replacement of the synthetic turf field located at Exeter High School. This sum to come from the June 30 undesignated fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. The School Board and the Budget Advisory Committee both recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**