

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Contoocook Valley School District consisting of the Towns of Antrim, Bennington, Dublin, Francestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Peterborough, Sharon, and Temple qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at **ConVal High School** at 184 Hancock Rd., (Route 202 North) in Peterborough on the **sixth day of February** next at **6 o'clock in the evening** for the first session of the Annual School District Meeting, and you are further notified to meet at the following places in the Town of your residence:

Antrim	Antrim Town Hall	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Bennington	Pierce Elementary School	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Dublin	Dublin Town Hall	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Francestown	Francestown Town Hall	10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Greenfield	Greenfield Town Hall	10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Hancock	Hancock Town Office	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Peterborough	Peterborough Community Center	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sharon	Sharon Meeting House	11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Temple	Temple Town Hall	7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

on the **thirteenth day of March** next for the second session of the Meeting (polls will be open for voting at the second session) to act upon the following subjects:

Article 01: High School Renovations

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000,000 (Gross Budget) for the building, renovating, and equipping of Science Labs at ConVal High School, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,000,000 of bonds, notes, or loans in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Contoocook Valley School Board to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver such bonds, notes, or loans, and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to authorize the Contoocook Valley School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto and to authorize the Contoocook Valley School Board to apply for, obtain, and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for the Project and to comply with all laws applicable to said Project and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,722, for the purpose of the first year's interest payment on the bond. (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.) (3/5 vote required)

Article 02: Operating Budget-School District-SB2

Shall the Contoocook Valley School 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 \$45,589,763? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$44,934,209, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Contoocook Valley School 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 ConVal School Board RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

Article 03: Accept the Factfinder's Report

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District vote to accept the findings and recommendations of the Factfinder with respect to the collective bargaining agreement between the Contoocook Valley School Board and the Contoocook Valley Education Association for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,685,912, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries, wages and benefits required by the Factfinder's recommendations over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels. (The ConVal School Board does NOT RECOMMEND by a vote (tally 11-0-0)).

Article 04: Special Meeting for Defeated/Amended Collective Bargaining Unit

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District, if Article 3 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 3 cost items only? (Majority vote)

Article 05: Appropriate to Capital Reserve Fund from Fund Balance

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 to be added to the Contoocook Valley School District Building Capital Reserve Fund, previously established? This sum to come from June 30, 2018 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2018, with no amount to be raised from taxation. (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

Article 06: Appropriate to Equipment Capital Reserve Trust Fund from Fund Balance

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as previously established? This sum to come from June 30, 2018 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2018, with no amount to be raised from taxation. (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

Article 07: Appropriate to Athletics/Co-Curricular Trust Fund from Fund Balance

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Athletics/Co-Curricular Fund as previously established? This sum to come from June 30, 2018 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2018 with no amount to be raised from taxation. (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

Article 08: Accept Reports of Agents and Auditors

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, and Officers chosen?

Article 09: School Board Salaries

Shall the Contoocook Valley School District appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the annual compensation of any other officers or agents of the District as follows: School Board Chair, \$1500; each member, \$1000; Treasurer, \$2,500; Moderator, \$300? (The ConVal School Board RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

Article 10: Petitioned Warrant Article

Shall the Contoocook Valley Regional School District vote to amend the Articles of Agreement to authorize the School Board to close schools in any town in the district when there are fewer than 50 students who reside in that town enrolled for two (2) consecutive years? (Requires 2/3 Majority Vote to pass.)

Article 11: Petitioned Warrant Article

Shall the Contoocook Valley Regional School District vote to require that the School Board commit to a public visioning process for the public schools in the district, beginning in May 2018, to ensure an excellent, equitable education for all students?

Article 12: School Board Members

To choose Contoocook Valley School District Officers as follows: Five (5) Members of the School Board; one (1) from the Town of Bennington for a term of three (3) years; one (1) from the Town of Greenfield for a term of three (3) years; one (1) from the Town of Peterborough for a term of three (3) years; one (1) from the Town of Peterborough for a term of one (1) year; one (1) from the Town of Temple for a term of three (3) years. One (1) Moderator for a term of three (3) years.