ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION NEW BOSTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 8, 2022

Maralyn Degien SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

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.

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 2

Shall the 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 Seventeen Million, Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand, Five Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$17,418,529). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Seventeen Million, Three Hundred Forty Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars, (\$17,340,548) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the 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. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required.)

YES

NO

The School Board Voted 5-0 To Recommend
The Finance Committee Voted 7-0 To Recommend

ARTICLE 3

To see if the New Boston School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the New Boston Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the New Boston School Board and the New Boston Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u> Year</u>	<u>Estimated increase</u>	
2022-2023	\$217,843	
2023-2024	\$160,488	
2024-2025	\$170,765	

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$217,843 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by \$2,909 from the Special Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of \$214,934 to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding 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. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES \bigcirc

NO \bigcirc

The School Board Voted 5-0 To Recommend The Finance Committee Voted 7-0 To Recommend

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	ARTICLES CONTINUED		
	ARTICLE 4 Shall the school district vote to approve the negotiated renewal and amendment of the Authorized Regional Enrollment Agreement (AREA Agreement) between the New Boston and Goffstown School Districts which provides for the continued maintenance of AREA schools located in Goffstown to serve grades seven through twelve from the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston for a term of ten (10) years commencing on July 1, 2024 and terminating on June 30, 2034 in accordance with the proposed AREA Agreement as approved by the State Board of Education and on file with District Clerk and the administrative offices at SAU No. 19.	YES NO	
	The School Board Voted 5-0 To Recommend		
	ARTICLE 5 To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) for deposit into the existing New Boston Central School Facilities Renovation and Repair Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2022 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2022. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required.) The School Board Voted 5-0 To Recommend The Finance Committee Voted 7-0 To Recommend	YES O	
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	ARTICLE 6 Shall the School District adopt the revisions to RSA 198:4-b, II enacted in 2020, and authorize, indefinitely until specific rescission, the District to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 5% of the District's current fiscal year's net assessment, allows for the expenditure of the retained general funds after the School Board first holds a public hearing on the action to be taken with such funds, and further requires that an annual accounting and report of the activities of the retained general funds be presented to the School Board and published in the annual report to the District? The School Board Voted 5-0 To Recommend	YES O	
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