

**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
SOUHEGAN COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
AMHERST, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2016**

J. Butler
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.

FOR SCHOOL BOARD	FOR SCHOOL BOARD	FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR
For 3 years Vote for not more than Two	For 1 year Vote for not more than One	For 3 years Vote for not more than One
DWAYNE PURVIS 1386 <input checked="" type="radio"/>	PETER MARESCO 1511 <input checked="" type="radio"/>	STACIE KICZUK 1255 <input type="radio"/>
BOB BREWSTER 969 <input type="radio"/>	MIKE AKILLIAN 1015 <input type="radio"/>	ADDIE HUTCHISON 1440 <input checked="" type="radio"/>
STEPHEN W. COUGHLAN 1360 <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	(Amherst & Mont Vernon) <input type="radio"/>
MARGARET McCABE 1159 <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
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ARTICLES

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount 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 **\$17,583,870**? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be **\$17,160,949** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Souhegan Cooperative 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.

Majority vote required to pass.

The Souhegan Cooperative School Board recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 6 to 1. The Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.

The estimated tax impact of passing this article is a decrease of \$0.10 per \$1000 of assessment for Amherst and a decrease of \$0.22 per \$1000 of assessment for Mont Vernon.

The estimated tax impact of not passing this article is a decrease of \$0.32 per \$1000 of assessment for Amherst and a decrease of \$0.48 per \$1000 of assessment for Mont Vernon.

YES:
AMH 1583
MV 230
Total 1813

NO:
AMH 1352
MV 213
Total 1565

PASSED

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District establish a Recreation Revolving Fund under the provisions of RSA 35-B:2,II? The money received from fees and charges for recreation services and facilities in the District shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the general unassigned fund balance. The treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the School Board (no further legislative body approval is required). These funds may be expended only for the recreation purposes, including installation, replacement and maintenance of a synthetic turf field, stated in RSA 35-B and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

Majority vote required to pass.

The Souhegan Cooperative School Board unanimously recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee unanimously recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.

No Tax Impact.

YES:
AMH 2106
MV 305
Total 2411

NO:
AMH 789
MV 157
Total 946

PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$65,000** from the year-end undesignated fund balance (surplus) if available on July 1, 2016 to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund known as the School Maintenance Fund previously established in March, 2005?

Majority vote required to pass.

The Souhegan Cooperative School Board unanimously recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee unanimously recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.

The estimated tax impact of this article is an increase of \$0.03 per \$1000 of assessment for Amherst. The estimated tax impact of this article is an increase of \$0.04 per \$1000 of assessment for Mont Vernon.

YES:
AMH 1879
MV 253
Total 2132

NO:
AMH 1008
MV 207
Total 1215

PASSED