

**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL ELECTION  
EXETER SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 11, 2014**

*Susan E.H. Bendroth*  
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 EXETER  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER**

For Term Ending 2017 Election  
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

**PAUL NICHOLSON**

**DAWN BULLENS**

(Write-in)

**ARTICLES**

1. Shall the Exeter 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 \$15,737,649? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$15,670,526 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Exeter 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 School Board recommends \$15,737,649 as set forth on said budget.)

YES   
NO

2. Shall the Exeter School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter School Board and the Exeter Education Association (Teachers) covering the three year period from September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2017 containing the following increases over the preceding year?

2014-2015: \$216,567      2015-2016: \$220,740      2016-2017: \$210,641

YES   
NO

And, further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$216,567 for the 2014-2015 year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and salary related benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year? (The School Board recommends that the School District approve these cost items and make the appropriation of \$216,567.)

*(Note: This agreement includes an increase in the salary schedule of 1.9% in 2014-2015 (over 2013-2014), an increase of 1.9% in 2015-2016 (over 2014-2015) and an increase of 1.9% in 2016-2017 (over 2015-2016). The teachers will also be paying more toward their health insurance in each of the three years.)*

3. Shall the Exeter School District vote to authorize the withdrawal of \$373,673 from the Middle School Bond Non-Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters in 1997 by Warrant Article 5 for the purpose of offsetting Exeter's share of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District's bond payment. (The School Board recommends this article.)

YES   
NO

4. Shall the Exeter School District raise and appropriate \$169,748 to be added to the Middle School Bond Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 1997 by Warrant Article 5 for the purpose of offsetting Exeter's share of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District's bond payment and authorize the transfer of this amount from the unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2014? No amount to be raised by taxation. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

YES   
NO

*(Note: A surplus of \$169,748 is expected in the District's medical and dental accounts fund as a result of a return of contributions from Health Trust, formerly the Local Government Center.)*

5. Shall the Exeter School District discontinue the Land and Improvement Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund established in 2004 with said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal (approximately \$512,769) to be transferred to the general fund? Further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$512,769 to be added to the Construction, Reconstruction or Acquisition of School Buildings and/or School Ground Site Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established? This sum to come from the June 30, 2014 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2014. No amount to be raised by taxation. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

YES   
NO