

**SOUHEGAN COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL MEETING WARRANT  
February 2, 2013 and March 12, 2013  
AMHERST AND MONT VERNON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Souhegan Cooperative School District, consisting of the towns of Amherst and Mont Vernon, in the County of Hillsborough, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Souhegan High School in said district on Saturday, February 2, 2013, at 11:00 a.m., for Session I (Deliberation), for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot. This session shall consist of the explanation, discussion and debate of warrant articles numbered 2 through 7. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion, as amended.

You are hereby further notified to meet on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, for official ballot voting on warrant articles numbered 1 through 6, and any other action required to be inserted on the official ballot. The polls for official ballot voting will be open as follows:

- Voting for Amherst residents: Souhegan High School, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Voting for Mont Vernon residents: Village School, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Article 1** To elect all necessary Souhegan Cooperative School District officers for the ensuing terms by official ballot on March 12, 2013.

- Election of two (2) members of the School Board from Amherst for the ensuing three (3) years.
- Election of one (1) member of the School Board from Mont Vernon for the ensuing three (3) years.
- Election of school district moderator for the ensuing three (3) years.

**Article 2** Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate **\$1,950,000** (Gross Budget) for repair and replacement of the roof and HVAC system at Souhegan High School, and authorize the issuance of not more than **\$1,950,000** of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and authorize the school board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms and conditions thereof; and take any other action necessary to carry out the purpose of this article, and further, raise and appropriate the additional sum of **\$28,031** for the payment of the first interest payment on the aforesaid bonds?

**Three-fifths 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.**

**Article 3** 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 **\$17,762,262**? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be **\$17,620,192** 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 unanimously recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 7 to 0.**

**The Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 5 to 1, with 1 abstention.**

**Article 4**

To see if the Souhegan Cooperative School District will vote to approve the costs included in the agreement reached between the Souhegan Cooperative School Board and the professional and support staff of Souhegan Cooperative High School which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at current staffing levels:

| Year        | Estimated Costs |
|-------------|-----------------|
| 2013 – 2014 | \$62,400        |
| 2014 – 2015 | \$118,568       |

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,400 for the 2013 – 2014 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels?

**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 recommends the passage of this article by a vote of 5 to 0, with 2 abstentions.**

**Article 5**

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, 2013 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.**

**Article 6**

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5, V-b to have the Souhegan Cooperative School Board include an estimated tax impact on the budget and special warrant articles?


**Majority vote required to pass.**


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


**Article 7**

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

This 2013 Warrant given under our hands at said Amherst this 23 day of January 2013:

  
Christine Janson, Chairman

  
Howard Brown

  
Stephen Coughlan

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Pim Grondstra

  
Frances J. Harrow

SCHOOL BOARD

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A True Copy of Warrant – Attest

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